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CALENDAR

January 29, 30, 31      Green Pastures Quarterly Meeting, Kalamazoo, Michigan

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SCHEDULE OF VISITATIONS - Committee for Regional Intervisitation

December 6, 1964 - Salem, Ohio Meeting  
January 3, 1965 - Stillwater Meeting, Barnesville, Ohio

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MINUTE ON BUSINESS PROCEDURE - Approved at Second Session

In order to free more time during the Yearly Meeting session (1), for consideration of basic policies (2), for consideration of the state of our meetings and of individual and meeting concerns, and (3), for general fellowship, we approve a simplified procedure for administrating our affairs. Matters of policy, the nomination and choice of officers, and the setting up of new meeting will remain the responsibility of the general session. All routine items of business will rest in the hands of the Representative Committee.

This committee consists of two members appointed from each constituent meeting, together with the officers of the Association/Yearly Meeting, and the members of standing committees. Its meeting are open as well to any concerned Friend who chooses to attend. It meets once in the spring and again just before Yearly Meeting. The concerns of any Monthly Meeting should be first laid before the Yearly Meeting clerk, who should send in advance a copy of the agenda to the representatives and to the clerk of each meeting. The Monthly Meeting can then formulate its opinion on these matters, so that its representatives can speak for their Meeting; or the will of the Monthly Meeting may be submitted by mail in no representative can attend.

The decisions arrived at in the spring meeting will be reported in the bulletin. Minutes of the summer meeting will be made available early at the Yearly Meeting session. It is expected that the great majority of the decisions having already been considered can then be approved or rejected without lengthy debate at the general session.

An illustration of the outlined procedure is already at hand. The whole body determined a budgetary policy; that the budget of the Y.M. should be limited to office expense, the publication of a bulletin and the travel expense of our representatives to other Quaker organizations; and that all other contributions and responsibilities be born by individual Monthly Meetings. The actual amount needed for the Yearly Meeting can be determined from year to year by the Representative Committee without debate in the general session until such time as it may be desired to add new categories of items to the budget.

The need remains however for the assembled body of the Yearly Meeting to Participate in an annual review and approval of the actions of the Representative Committee. It is therefore proposed that a brief mimeographed summary of the actions taken during the year by the Representative Committee be distributed at Yearly Meeting time and that the Yearly Meeting in its business session be asked to approve this report, not item by item, but as a whole. If there should be any serious question about the work of the representative committee, they could be raised at this time.

The procedure outlined above is new among Yearly Meetings of Friends and will probably need to be worked out step by step in practice. Changes can be readily suggested by the representatives or by Monthly Meetings and accepted or rejected by the annual session. It should, however, allow more time for mature deliberations and provide greater opportunity for consensus, since the decisions will come before the whole membership instead of only before those who attend Yearly Meeting sessions.

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LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING and ASSOCIATION, Second Annual Session  
held at Wilmington College, August 20-23, 1964

Dear friends everywhere,

How can a newly-formed Friends' body create a form to suit the conditions of our day? As the newest yearly meeting on the American continent we have tried to keep the close informal fellowship we have valued for 26 years in the Lake Erie Association. We have tried to simplify the Yearly Meeting structure and order of business so that most of our time together could be devoted to spiritual growth. In corporate worship and small-group search we have examined the roots of our faith. Our teen-agers, meeting this week at Quaker Knoll with the young people of Indiana Yearly Meeting (General Conference), have been able to explore new directions perhaps even more freely than their elders. The younger children have contributed to the vitality of our gathering by their enjoyment of service projects, study and play.

Though occupied with developing our new organizational structure, we have tried to be aware of the needs of the larger society. Friends who have been at work in the South have shared their concerns with us, and we are prepared to join with other Friends in support of the proposed Friends Service teams in Mississippi. We have had glimpses of the deliberations of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in Ireland and of the life of the Society in Japan and Korea, thus broadening our spiritual horizons.

As we have thought of Friends elsewhere, we have felt afresh that the love of God is the first motion, and that all that we can create and do and become grows out of that motion of love. May it stir in all our meetings!

Signed on behalf of LEA/YM,

Howard McKinney

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DELAWARE - - FIRST MONTHLY MEETING RECOGNIZED BY  
LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING

William & Lorena Blackburn, William & Mayo Johnson, and Olcott & Phyllis Sanders will arrange to attend a meeting of Delaware Friends to convey our greetings and fellowship.

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PREPARATION FOR MONTHLY MEETING STATUS IN DELAWARE, OHIO  
by Ted Woldorf

In August 1963, the Delaware Friends worship group applied to newly formed LEA-YM for recognition as a monthly meeting. All the 14 adult attenders were spiritually convinced Friends (though not all were members of the Society) and a broad base of experience was represented through long activity in local and national Friends' groups for worship and service and through the 12-year life of the Delaware worship group itself.

During the business meeting for the drafting of the request for monthly meeting status, the group was struck with a sense of humility, There is an awesome responsibility vested in the monthly meeting and we were, to a man, filled with a desire for personal rededication and for broader, deeper knowledge of the ways and history of Friends. There was a felt need for both spiritual and intellectual preparation for the time when monthly meeting status might be accorded.

Guided by this need, the group planned a series of monthly study sessions designed to delve at depth into Friends' history, philosophy, and practice. Regular attendance was stressed. Each session was planned a month or more in advance and held at the homes of members, with simple carry-in supper at 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Discussion from 7:00 - 9:00. Study leaders were available from the group to lead sessions on simplicity, non-violence, public witness (via poster walks, vigils, sit-ins, etc.), history of the Society, Elias Hicks, books of discipline, why do we want monthly meeting status (dialogue technique), why-and-how of First Day School.

Results of these sessions were immensely gratifying. A rich sense of rededication blossomed and there were moments when group study became an act of worship. The common body of knowledge gained is now often drawn upon during meeting for worship. The seven families of the Delaware worship group feel, as never before, ready to accept the really sobering challenge and responsibility attendant with becoming the Delaware Monthly Meeting.

PITTSBURGH JOINS LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING

Willard Mead presented a minute from Pittsburgh Meeting indicating their desire to become a member of the Yearly Meeting with its simplified business procedure. The minute was received with gladness and approved with warmth and appreciation.

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JOINT KOREAN COMMITTEE

William Bliss reported that the Friends World Committee has recognized the Seoul Monthly Meeting. A gift of \$3,000 has been received by FWC for a building. While many things remain to be worked out, care must be taken to let Korean Friends make their own decisions.

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REPORT OF THE ADVANCEMENT COMMITTEE  
by Willard Mead, Chairman

During this first year the Advancement Committee worked rather timidly while the exact organization of LEA/YM was being decided. Delaware, Ohio Meeting was reported ready for official status as a monthly meeting, and so accepted by the Yearly Meeting in August, 1960. The Meeting at Kent, Ohio seemed not quite prepared as yet and should receive further visitation and help. Charleston, West Virginia has not yet decided on its future course. Flint, Michigan should be for a while under the care of Green Pastures Quarter.

Letters were written to four families in Akron, Ohio urging them to plan for informal Meetings for Worship among themselves. In conjunction with the regular intervisitation committee under Sam Prellwitz, some of the Advancement Committee visited Morgantown, Wooster, Kent, Oberlin and Painesville Meetings and found them progressing well. It is recommended that the Committee continue this method of keeping in touch along the eastern border.

Charles Brashares (Cleveland) will be asked to assume the duties of chairman for the year 1964-1965.

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ANNUAL MEETING LOCATION - APPROVED AT SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

It was decided to hold our next LEA/YM annual meeting sessions at Malone College, Canton, Ohio, August 19-22, 1965. We will have the use of the neighboring Jewish Community Center for Young Friends activities.

LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING/ASSOCIATION  
NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 1964-65

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Cynthia Kerman 1222 Woodlawn Street Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104  
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Robert & Emily Morgan 11 Dunmoyle Place Pittsburgh 17, Penn.  
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Children:

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F.C.N.L. Representatives:

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Elise Boulding	2670 Bedford Road	Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104
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* Margaret Utterback	334 Morgan Street	Oberlin, Ohio
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* John Weaver	1625 Shady Avenue	Pittsburgh 17, Penn.
* William Bliss	6011 Theota Avenue	Cleveland, Ohio 44129
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Elise Boulding	2670 Bedford Road	Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104
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	Margaret Utterback	334 Morgan Street	Oberlin, Ohio
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Carolyn Hamm	2122 Geddes Avenue	Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104

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* Janice Carroll	Oberlin College	Oberlin, Ohio
Elise Boulding	2670 Bedford Road	Ann Arbor, Mich

LAKE ERIE ASSOCIATION/YEARLY MEETING  
Treasurer's Report, September 1, 1963 - August 17, 1964

Balance on hand, September 1, 1963.....	\$195.95
Balance from Annual Meeting.....	58.69
Contributions - Meetings:	
Pittsburgh - (\$260.00 included in 1962 report)	
Ann Arbor.....	\$350.00
Cleveland.....	200.00
Delaware.....	50.00
East Lansing.....	44.00
Grand Rapids.....	48.00
Granville.....	20.00
Kalamazoo.....	144.00
Kent.....	30.00
Morgantown.....	7.00
North Columbus.....	50.00
Oberlin.....	15.00
Wooster.....	30.00
Yellow Springs.....	<u>100.00</u>
 Total Meeting Contributions.....	 \$1,088.00
Contribution - individual.....	9.25
Total on hand and receipts.....	<u>\$1,351.89</u>

Disbursements:	<u>Budget 63-64</u>	<u>Actual 63-64</u>	<u>Proposed 64-65</u>
Association/Yearly Meeting Expenses:			
Travel.....	\$146.56		
Office & Postage.....	17.09		
Continuing Committee.....	<u>50.00</u> *		
Total.....	\$400.00	\$213.65	\$400.00
Bulletin.....	250.00	306.10	500.00
Containing Committee on Greater Unity.....		*	50.00
Expense of Representative to Triennial			
Friends World Committee meetings			
(Ireland, 1964; Guildford, 1967)	1,000.00	700.00	350.00

Balance in Bank, August 16, 1965 -- \$132.14 Varley Crist/V. Ewald

PEACE AND SOCIAL ACTION  
By Helen Wenck

Lawrence Scott spoke for about 30 minutes, before the meeting was opened up for discussion. How do we achieve that "life and power that takes away the occasion for all war"? Of the three forces which pull us down from the state of being to a state of non-being (1. fear of death or fate. (2. sense of guilt. (3. feeling of meaningless and frustration) only the third is particularly applicable to Quakers. All conflicts are caused by lack of harmony between the will to be free

and the will to belong. Only a few (saints) achieve perfect harmony between these two urges -- but it is possible. In the course of the discussion, it was stressed that the group to which we as Quakers want to belong is humanity as a whole, not just family, neighborhood, state, religion, race, etc. The apparent apathy of Western culture (a sort of decline) as contrasted with the zest and enthusiasm of the Eastern civilizations, including communist countries, is frightening. In U.S.A. right now, all the zeal is in the Goldwater camp. --much discussion--. Why are we so apathetic and discouraged?

In the afternoon session, Larry Scott stressed the great need for Friend's groups in Mississippi, which is really a police state. Out of this came the minute which was adopted by the business meeting on Saturday morning.

#### Minute Adopted At Second Session

"The LEA/YM wishes to encourage Lawrence Scott in his concern to establish a Quaker presence in Mississippi. We also wish to endorse the proposal already approved by New York Yearly Meeting that Friends organize service teams to travel in Mississippi working with local Negro and white congregations to rebuild churches and aid individuals victimized by violence there. We encourage our Monthly Meetings and Friends individually to support these ventures by prayer, by financial contributions and by participation."

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#### WORKSHOP ON MINISTRY AND COUNSEL by John Weaver

The leader, Rilma Buckman, gave as a keynote the familiar phrase, "under the care of the Meeting". As a counter note, it was suggested that when so-called "secular" subjects are introduced into vocal ministry they may be too much for the Meeting to absorb into its care --except by loving thought; and there seemed an implication that the same may be true of individuals with difficult problems, needing counsel. There were suggestions on discussion meetings before or after worship; on the best ways to present "challenging" concerns; and on ministry for new and old attenders.

Two books on the values of silence were recommended: "The World of Silence" by Max Priard (spelling?) (Regnery); and "The Silent Christ", a pamphlet by D. Reginald Thomas (Bible Study House, Box 2000, Philadelphia 3).

Ideas were exchanged on socializing after Meeting, with refreshments or pot-luck meals; on home gatherings of four or five couples, plus single persons, shifting in make-up; and on the way in which personal acquaintance encourages the seeking of counsel both from lay people and from experts to whom they may be referred.



Lake Erie Yearly Meeting

August 21, 1964

SUMMARY OF MINISTRY AND COUNSEL WORKSHOP

by Rilma Buckman, Leader

" . . . in the care of the Meeting . . . " was the theme of this two-session Workshop.

"Care" was seen as having several implications. In one sense, the Meeting has a concern to help individual members with their problems. But its "caring" is not limited to problems. Meetings also should try to surround each member with love and with encouragement to give expression to his creative inclinations. It means that dissimilarity, as well as similarity, should be accepted and respected.

Each individual, in addition to the Committee charged with this special task, has a responsibility for ministry and counsel. In either case, the ultimate purpose is to deepen the fellowship and the spiritual life of the Meeting.

Many specific ways of trying to accomplish this purpose were discussed. It was noted that direct steps can only be taken by the individual for his own growth. Otherwise, we are limited to indirect measures and the prayerful faith that as a result the Divine Presence will be experienced by the Meeting and by its individual members.

The indirect channels open to the Committee on Ministry and Counsel include: First Day arrangements; mid-week worship; informational forums; study groups; articles in the Meeting's bulletin; scheduling for special occasions (e.g. New Year's Eve); utilization of music and other forms of creative expression; retreats; and encouragement of private and family religious study and meditation.

The Workshop gave brief consideration to the suggestion that individual experimentation in the spiritual realm has exciting possibilities. Three examples, among others, were discussed:

- 1) Silence - deserves attention in its own right, and yet Friends tend to take it for granted. Perhaps our Worship would be enriched if we better understood silence itself.
- 2) Wonder - that quality of childhood - might be recaptured to our great personal benefit. Friends might experiment with the following resolution: "Let the hours be filled with wonder that the days may be filled with joy."
- 3) Disengagement - originally proposed as a means of resisting the hypnotic quality of mass action, the disengagement of attention was then seen as a means of achieving serenity in our busy and compartmentalized lives.

Finally it was recognized that the essence of creative ministry and counsel springs from that Spirit whose quality is somewhat captured by the phrases:

" . . . in the care of the Meeting . . . "  
"Reverence for Life."

LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WORKSHOP  
by Esther Carter

The Religious Education Workshop with Kay Hollister as discussion leader and Louise Griffiths as resource person had ten people present for a morning session only. One of the main areas discussed was the family centered religious education program vs. the graded program in the First Day School. The basis for developing the topics to be studied should be the local meeting level. The Meeting should provide a climate for growth and each individual should prepare himself for seeking and some finding in this environment.

Some suggestions given were the following: a joint family meeting of groups from two churches, joint planning for two Sunday Schools to get together, Quaker dialogues for young people, evening meetings for junior high and high school groups from the Meeting. Among some questions raised was, "Does our teaching grow out of the meeting for worship?"

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ELISE BOULDING SPEAKS ON JAPAN  
reported by Elliott Cornell

Elise Boulding, just returned from a year in Japan with her family, gave us a very interesting picture of the psychological problems that confront the Quaker Meetings in Japan and Korea. At the present time neither Quaker group seems to be expanding very fast but both have possibilities for a great future.

In Japan the traditional allegiance patterns have thus far prevented the family participation that we have come to expect in Quaker Meetings. The men in both rural and urban life tend to have their time monopolized by their occupational ties. It is common for them to meet after work in company sponsored recreational activities. The women also are under the restrictions of their family and block society demands. The mother-in-law apparently controls the young wives time in ways Americans would find very burdensome. The result is that neither men or women have much time left for Meeting activities.

Usually only one member of a family will be a Quaker, the other will be either a Buddhist or a member of one of the many small Christian churches. These Christians have joined their churches often at great personal sacrifice and to change to Quakerism would be considered a major betrayal and therefore unthinkable. Consequently the Meeting can't even hold a family pot-luck.

Most of the Japanese consider themselves Buddhist even though they almost never attend any Buddhist religious exercises. They are Buddhist predominately in a cultural sense but resist Christianity as the majority of midwesterners would resist Mohammedanism as an essentially alien concept.

The Shinto group is small and relatively insignificant in the national scene, possibly having something like the influence of the DAR in America.

Sunday, formerly unknown in Japan, has since the occupation become a national shopping day with all retail business and entertainment establishments wide open.

Because of the teacher-pupil relationship under which most of the missionary churches entered Japan and still continue to operate their "missions" there is a feeling that Christianity is a "Western" and "foreign" faith rather than the Universal Ethic. This feeling creates enormous barriers to the integration of the church into Japanese life, and prevents the Japanese churchmen from taking serious control of their local churches. The churches with Japanese ministers have been on the whole the most successful.

Much of the Japanese teaching has been to put high virtue on the calm acceptance of one's lot in life. Partly because of this and the remaining feudalisms, the Japanese are not given to the maze of voluntary organizations that take so much of our time. Even the PTA over there is considered as just another arm of the government, and it would be in some measure sacrilegious to protest to the school board or city hall, as government is traditionally above controversy and is honored as somewhat divinely ordered.

Since women just don't disagree with men in mixed company, the Bouldings gave a newly formed English language discussion group a surprise when Elise took issue with Kenneth on some point. This created an extended lively discussion topic.

Incidentally, the Japanese Quakers are a little reluctant to take visiting Americans to Zen Buddhist temples as they have recently broken with Buddhism and cannot understand the American's interest in it.

The transition from a mission status to a full independent meeting status will probably be slow and difficult but there is considerable evidence of beginnings in that direction.

The Korean situation is very different since the Meeting sprang from the Ambulance Corps. and other activity groups. This has given the Meeting some strong and active members who could develop an expanding Meeting, but they are politically repressed in a very poor country. Deep strife and corruption can be seen everywhere and drastic changes are required but because so many persons have been jailed for the slightest overstep in political pressure the Meeting seems to suffer a heavy spiritual discouragement that is possibly their hardest problem.

In both these countries it will probably be best to let them run their own organizations. "When they are doing it then it is theirs." "They will have their Meeting House and they will contribute to other Meeting groups."

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REPORT OF LARRY MILLER'S ADDRESS AT LAKE ERIE ASSN./Y.M.  
reported by Adda Dilts

Lawrence McK. Miller (better known to Friends as Larry), General Secretary of Friends General Conference, spoke Saturday afternoon, August 22, on the Meaning and Function of Friends General Conference.

He opened with a brief historical sketch of the origins of FGC, dating back to a First Day School Conference of seven Hicksite Yearly Meetings in 1868, and going on through the time when the biennial Cape May Conference began to take shape early in this century. Continuing to the present day set up, he emphasized some of the changes which have come to FGC in recent years,

with the expansion of its services, the enlargement of its paid staff, and the provision of modern and more adequate office space.

The speaker emphasized that FGC is at the service of and designed to strengthen Monthly and Yearly Meetings, but has no authority over them, and makes no effort to take over the functions handled by other bodies, such as AFSC, FCNL and Yearly Meeting Committees. He went on to state that the material published by FGC represents liberal theological thought, presenting a strong point of view, but not a written formulation. He feels strongly that there is a constant need for strengthening and cultivating the Quaker testimonies.

Some of the features developed recently include the setting up of a Religious Life Committee as a new standing committee intended to focus the concerns of Monthly and Yearly Meetings for the strengthening of the spiritual life; the Community Friendship Project, which makes Rachel Davis Dubois available for a week long training program planned by Monthly Meetings in cooperation with community agencies, especially where strong racial tensions exist; a national conference to be held at Pendle Hill in September 1964 on "The Ministry of Friends to the Academic Community"; and the formation of the Fellowship of Non-Resident Friends. The scope of the Meeting House Fund has been greatly enlarged by making it a source for investment by individuals, as well as of gifts from Meetings.

The staff now includes (in addition to Larry Miller), his assistant, Paul Goulding; Joseph Vlaskamp, in charge of Religious Education; and Rachel Dubois, in charge of Quaker Dialogues.

FGC requests support to the extent of one dollar per member from its constituent Yearly Meetings, but no "assessment" is levied against them. A full report of the scope and activities of FGC, including a financial report, is available from its headquarters at 1520 Race St., Philadelphia 2, Pa.

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NINTH MEETING OF THE FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION  
WATERFORD, IRELAND -- JULY 21 - 28, 1964

DELEGATE'S REPORT TO LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING AND ASSOCIATION

Reports of business and texts of addresses at the Ninth Meeting of the FWCC which William Bliss and I attended are on record. For us personally there was also the excitement of an overseas trip; the cordiality of friends new and old; and a very real buoying of spirit. We bear in mind gratefully that Waterford was made possible for us through the generous help of Lake Erie Friends. Our indebtedness cannot be repaid in an ordinary sense. We do hope, however, that in sending and then hearing from us as delegates, Friends in this area will gain a better understanding of the World Committee, and will grow in awareness of others around the world who, under the love and power of God, make up the Religious Society of Friends.

The purposes of the World Committee are, briefly, to strengthen spiritual life within the Society, to promote sharing among members of many cultures, and to deal with Quaker concerns in world affairs. Its programs include intervisitation, conferences publications, and a team accredited to the United Nations. The Waterford Meeting was one of the regular triennial sessions of representatives appointed by member Yearly Meetings. It was attended by 165 delegates and visitors from 42 Yearly Meetings and 25 countries. Similar meetings were held in Germantown,

Ohio, in 1955; in Bad Pyrmont, Germany, in 1958; and in Kenya, East Africa, in 1961. In addition, the World Committee sponsors larger conferences. There was one at Oxford, England, in 1952, and plans are being made for another to be held at Guilford College, Greensboro, N.C., in 1967. Douglas Steere was chosen to succeed James Walker as chairman of the FWCC; other officers come from 10 different countries and several continents. The central office is at Woodbrooke in Birmingham, England.

The key word in the report of Blanche Shaffer, who continues as the General Secretary, was communication. She outlined how the FWCC has encouraged communication between Friends in various parts of Africa; she mentioned the interest of the Ohio-Lake Erie Joint Committee in Korea, the work of the European and American Sections, and the international activities of Young Friends. In other directions, FWCC observers communicate in the World Council of Churches and at the Vatican Council. Later in the week, Douglas Steere said to the group, "One of the features that must have struck each of you . . . is the enormous service which the FWCC has performed in providing an auspice for focussing not an Anglo-Saxon-Gaelic eye but an international eye on each of the issues we have dealt with."

Friends at Waterford gave attention to a number of urgent social concerns. A recommendation was made that the classic peace declaration submitted to Charles II in 1661 be re-stated and amplified to apply to the 20th century with its nuclear weapons and wars, open or undeclared, which engage entire peoples. The following minute on discrimination was adopted: "The Committee records with gratitude the efforts of many Meetings and individual Friends throughout the world to eliminate the causes and to eradicate the results of racial discrimination and segregation. We re-affirm our long-held testimony against attitudes, practises and laws which, contrary to the Christian concept of brotherhood, make distinctions based on race, colour, class, sex, creed, political affiliation or national origin. We seek for all men complete equality before the law and equal opportunities in education, jobs and housing. We call on Friends in every part of the world and of every race and nationality to carry out this testimony in their personal lives and in the life of their Meetings."

William Huntington, director of the Quaker United Nations Program, described the work as "a Quaker presence" concentrating on disarmament and peace-keeping, human rights, and international co-operation. Through informal conferences Friends may help in ways not possible in the official atmosphere of the United Nations itself.

Turning to the life and spirit of the Society, Thomas Bodine spoke on the meaning of membership, and Wilmer Cooper gave some thoughts on the preparation of leaders. Friends from Europe, Africa, Australia, and New Zealand presented something of conditions and their own work in each area. In one of the devotional periods we heard hymns and Bible readings in the Swahili language. J. Floyd Moore led a meditation on the need for appreciation, co-operation, and, above all, "total, uncalculated commitment". We were impressed often during this week with the indebtedness of the whole Society to dedicated individuals.

"The Creative Center of Quakerism" was the theme expanded in talks by Maurice Creasey, Director of Studies at Woodbrooke (Birmingham, England), and by Yukio Irie, Professor of Literature at Tokyo University. Both messages were scholarly and provocative. Only brief excerpts can be given here:

YUKIO IRIE: "I think man has degenerated spiritually by the enormous development of scientific knowledge and by false interpretation of democracy . . . This is especially so in Japan.

What do prayers and rituals mean when just a push on a button can kill a million men in a moment, religious and irreligious alike? . . . Is not the number of votes almighty? Does not number decide right or wrong, good or bad . . . ?"

Of Japanese Friends in particular, he said, "We are spiritually open and receptive but temperamentally feudalistic and complacent. The prayerful friendship and service of overseas Quakers has often been met by thankful loyalty, imitation and dependence instead of searching self-criticism, originality, and independent cooperation. . . . "

"I am praying that the day will come when all the people will be convinced that they are men before they are citizens of any particular country, that their soul lives in this world before it lives in any particular country, that it is only through contribution to other countries that they can really contribute to their own. . . ."

MAURICE CREASEY: "Answering that of God in every man." This we may think of as the Quaker understanding of the true basis of human relationship . . . Here are grounded all true reverence, all necessary reticence; here is the ground of our trust that, in the end, "charity never faileth. . . ."

"We have the task of actually becoming, in our own personal and corporate life, the people we claim to be. We cannot reconcile unless we ourselves are reconciled. We cannot communicate unless we have been communicated with. We dare not call upon our fellow men to undertake tasks which exceed the strength and wisdom of any of us unless at the same time we can point them to the source, the creative center, from which alone both they and we may be empowered. But we can so point them, with honesty and confidence, in so far as that source, that creative center, is known to us as the Presence in our midst, to whom we are gathered, who encounters us in every man, and who, in sending us forth in his service, goes with us always, "even unto the end of the age."

Delegate Report by Isabel Bliss

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YOUNG FRIENDS WEEK-CAMP  
by Lynn Sanders

Experiments aren't always successful, but thirty-seven high school Young Friends evaluated their week-long LEA/YM (majority of campers) and IYM General Conference camp as a valuable and rewarding experience.

Group unity and experience was the keynote of the week. From meal preparation and clean-up to volleyball and swimming, spirit and participation never lagged. After the evening program, folk dancing flourished inside while folk singers retired to a campfire or the "neutral" cabin (open to both boys and girls).

Resource people and materials were available but could have been better used, the group decided. Cornell Hewson, Mabel Hamm, Janet Stevens, and Barbara Modica, who served as cook, stayed the whole week. Evening speakers were Barry Hollister, Frank Baldeau, and Arthur Morgan. Two films, "The Hole" and "The Magician", provoked considerable discussion in other evening programs.

Self-government by the campers proved extremely successful. A six-man steering committee made decisions on the day-to-day schedule and any problems that arose. Morning meditation was held at 7:30, half-an-hour before breakfast. We swam twice a day with a lifeguard assigned to sit on the beach and watch the lively boys vs. girls keep-away games in the water. Curfew was set at eleven with the provision that people could be outside the lodge from eleven to twelve (if they were quiet) after checking out with Cornell Hewson and a few people could stay up a little after twelve to talk with Cornell in the lodge only. This arrangement worked well as those who wished to get to bed early were not disturbed by the others.

Everyone signed a meal chart for three preparations and three clean-ups. Work projects were provided each morning including painting picnic tables and building a campfire pit.

Our final evaluation brought out two main criticisms; not enough informal discussions during the week and poor use of morning free time. Only praise, however, went to Cornell, Mabel, Janet, Barbara, and Billie Eastman, planning advisor, for their assistance. The menus, planned by a student food committee prior to camp, proved delicious and filling.

Operating a camp with adult assistance, but not leadership, created the group feeling of "our camp". Putting our group religious experience into words would be nearly impossible. Instead, here is the setting, the group attitude, and the resources -- how would you have responded?

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YOUNG FRIENDS OFFICERS - REPORTED AT FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

- Alan Blood - Clerk
- Mary Stow - Recording Clerk
- Ed Kerman - Treasurer
- Marcy Morgan - Representative to Adults
- Kathy Flanders - Program Committee
- Jan Nichols - Program Committee
- Lynn Sanders - Program Committee

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	RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS	Jesse R. Starbuck
	Held near Barnesville, Ohio	

9-2-1964

To Lake Erie Association of Friends Meeting

Dear Friends:

We have appreciated the opportunity to know better the members of your Yearly Meeting who on previous occasions have met concurrently with us, and we look forward to having this fellowship grow in understanding and depth in the future.

Because the need for Greater Spiritual Insight is pressing, many Friends meetings have undergone re-evaluation of their basic beliefs. Some new meetings have been formed, and your own association has had to consider deeply the ideals and needs common to all your members before you could form a more stable body, that of a Yearly Meeting.

All this searching has been beneficial, even though it has not always been comfortable. We have received many messages giving the encouraging evidence of new life springing up in the Society of Friends, and it seems no coincidence that it comes at a time when there is a real desire for understanding between members of a Yearly Meeting, and between different Yearly Meetings. It is extremely heartening to see more and more active demonstration of this desire for unity. This need for Spiritual fellowship and friendly outreach between groups of Friends suggests a realization, on the part of a great many members, that our religious life has suffered from divisions and that as we continue to be concerned for one another healing will come.

The young Friends of various Yearly Meetings have discovered for themselves that there can be wonderful sharing on a level which bridges all differences. They have experienced the deep joy of finding loving, seeking souls in all groups of Friends. Surely in these times we all need to try to be better channels of God's forgiving, redeeming love. This desire for wholeness and healing is fertile ground for the seeds of love. It reminds us of a quotation from a letter which came to us this year, "Often God gives a handful of seeds to those who ask for flowers." May we all work together in this field and seek with His help to find better understanding and a deeper unity between all groups and all people.

With loving greetings, we are your friends

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

James R. Cooper, clerk

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ATTENDERS AT LAKE ERIE YEARLY MEETING, AUGUST, 1964

Angeli, Brad & Imogene Jim, David, John, Paul	55 Westgate Drive	Delaware, Ohio
Blackburn, William & Lorena	116½ Tompkins	Columbus, Ohio
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Bliss, William & Isabel Roger, Penny	6011 Theota Avenue	Cleveland, Ohio 44129
Blood, Robert & Margaret Larry, Jonny	2005 Penncraft Court	Ann Arbor, Michigan
Blumberg, Leonard & Marjorie Martha, James	1050 Woods Road	Southampton, Pa.
Boulding, Kenneth & Elise Christine, Philip, Wil	2670 Bedford Road	Ann Arbor, Michigan
Bower, George & Dorothy Ian, Alan, Bridget	2031 Sonny Street	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Brooks, Lesley Lauren, Allison, Anne	2305 South Overlook	Cleveland, Ohio 44106



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Ewald, Victor & Esther	99 Homestead Lane	Delaware, Ohio
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Johnson, William & Mayo	River Valley Farm	Hiram, Ohio
Kerman, Ralph & Cynthia Marjorie, Nancy	1222 Woodlawn Ave.	Ann Arbor, Michigan
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Attendees represented 12 monthly meetings, 73 adults, 10 jr. high, 29 children, total 112.

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Marcy Morgan	11 Dunmoyle Pl.	Pittsburgh 17, Pa.
Jan Nichols	1138 Martin Pl.	Ann Arbor, Michigan
Marta Sanders	2189 No. St. James Pkwy.	Cleveland 6, Ohio
Mary Stow	127 Northhigh Dr.	Worthington, Ohio
Penny Stow	127 Northhigh Dr.	Worthington, Ohio
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ADULTS

Mabel Hamm	2122 Geddes Avenue	Ann Arbor, Michigan
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Barbara Modica		Ann Arbor, Michigan
Janet Stevens	505 Yale	Saginaw, Michigan

LATE BULLETIN

The Joint Committee for Korea (Ohio YM and Lake Erie YM and Association) invites you to share in a project on behalf of Jae Kyung Chun, a young Korean teacher who is active in the Seoul Meeting. Those who know him agree that he has unusual spiritual gifts, and have encouraged him to come to the United States for study related to his interests. Since he is blind, there are special problems. Nevertheless, Pendle Hill will grant a scholarship for tuition, room, and board for six months beginning March, 1965, if some way is found to pay travel and personal expenses. The estimated sum needed is two thousand dollars.

Jae Kyung writes: "Now I am going to start for a vast ocean by my very small boat. So I have to take the correct way where God wants me to go." We hope Friends will be moved to help. His "small boat" will be the steadier for our support. Please clip and mail this form:

To: Raymond Stanley, Treasurer, Joint Committee for Korea  
Route 2, Columbiana, Ohio

I enclose my contribution of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for the Jade Kyung Chun Fund

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Joint Committee for Korea

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