

WINCHESTER MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

1945-1949

Notes to the reader about the transcription of these minutes:

While most of the grammar, spelling, and abbreviations were kept as close as possible to what is handwritten in the original Preparative Meeting Minutes, corrections and changes have been made to improve the readability of the minutes. Curly brackets are used to surround words or parts of words that the editors could not read or decipher: { ? }, {?ene}, {Parkin?}. Curly brackets are also used to enclose editorial notes and changes made by the editors.

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Parentheses are shown as they are found in the original minutes.

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The spelling of names has been corrected wherever obvious misspellings have been found. Otherwise, the names are spelled as they appear in the minutes. Please note that sometimes several variations of the same name do occur.

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(Transcribed November 2006)

1st Month, 7th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened at the close of the morning worship period, 1st month, 7th day, 1945 with 37 in attendance.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the twelfth month were read. Same were approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and same showed receipts of \$1,557.41, disbursements of \$352.83, balance \$1,204.58. The report was approved. The concern of future reports showing the balance of the various funds was approved and the Treasurer was instructed to designate the balances of the various funds, such as Quaker Haven and Church Improvement, when compiling reports hereafter.

Charles Cates reported that the pamphlets on Peace Time Conscription had not been received for distribution.

In the concern of bring the service flag up to date and placing same in a less conspicuous location in the church, the Meeting favored this service be continued in the hands of Aaron and Inez Napier.

Requests for the transfer of memberships of Dale and Esther Miller, and their two minor children, Leland Dale and Beth Ann, to the Portland Friends Church were granted and the Correspondence Clerk instructed to forward the transfers to Theodore Kenworthy, 821 E. Main St., Portland, Indiana.

Marvin Thornburg, being a member of the Body of Trustees, and being present at this Meeting, was instructed to suggest a member of the Meeting to serve as Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Leander Mendenhall, who died December 26, 1944. Philip Kabel was named to fill the vacancy which was approved by the Meeting.

The committee composed of Helen Thornhill, Marvin Thornburg and Charles Cates selected at the August Meeting to meet with members selected at the Meeting of Ministry & Oversight to select Elders was again named to meet with that body to select an Elder to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Leander Mendenhall.

Charles Cates read a communication from E. Raymond Wilson, Executive Secretary of the Friends Committee on National Legislation on Peace Time Conscription stating that funds were urgently needed. Those desiring to contribute were informed to make contributions to Charles Cates.

The Meeting approved the concern of paying Aaron Napier for postage and material used in sending church literature to the boys and girls in service.

There being no further business the closing minute was read. The next Meeting to be held 2nd month, 4th day, 1945.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

Following the adjournment Aaron Napier informed the Meeting that Carrie Marsh, a member of this Meeting, had suffered a stroke and that Keturah Jay, also a member of the Meeting, had fallen and broken an arm. Keturah Jay, being blind and having no near relatives to care for her, had to have someone to look after her interests and see that she is properly cared for. The Meeting named Aaron Napier to keep in touch with the care and needs of Keturah, who at the present time is being cared for by a neighbor.

2nd Month, 4th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened immediately following the morning worship period 2nd month, 4th day, 1945 with 34 persons in attendance.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 1st month were read.

The death of Carrie Marsh, a member of the Meeting, which occurred January 23, 1945, was reported for recording.

Donald Clevenger gave the financial report of the Friends Sunday School covering seven months which showed receipts of \$608.04, disbursements \$421.34, cash on hand and in bank \$186.82.

The Ladies Aid report showed receipts of \$108.10, disbursements \$7.50, balance \$100.60 as of February 4th, 1945.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were chosen as follows: Phoebe Peacock, Aaron Napier, Esther Bright, Elkanah Hill and Grace Warren.

Charles Cates reported that the pamphlets on Peace Time Conscription had been received and distributed.

Mention was made of the birth of a daughter, Cheryl Vaupel, to Henry and Carolyn Vaupel, February 2, 1945.

Due to the scarcity of coal, the Meeting favored heating the church one day only during the week and that being the Sabbath day except in the case of a funeral or an emergency meeting. Prayer meetings, choir rehearsal and orchestra practice to be held in private homes.

The Meeting adjourned to meet for an adjourned session 2nd month, 11th day, 1945.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends re-convened following the morning worship period 2nd month, 11th day, 1945 for the transaction of unfinished business.

Following the opening minute the committee named to select an Elder to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Leander Mendenhall presented the name of Hubert Pingry. The Meeting approved the selection.

There being no further business the closing minute was read. The next Meeting to be held at the same time and place 3rd month, 4th day, 1945.

Vada Coon, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

3rd Month, 4th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened in the Winchester Friends Church immediately following the morning worship period 3rd month, 4th day, 1945 with Vada Coon opening the Meeting with prayer.

The opening minute was read and the minutes of the second month were then read and approved.

The Quarterly Meeting report was ably given by Aaron Napier. He also stated that all delegates were present at the meeting.

The Treasurer's reports for the months of January and February were read and approved.

The Corresponding Secretary reported having received a letter {from} Portland Monthly Meeting acknowledging the acceptance of membership into that Meeting of Dale and Esther Miller and their two minor children.

The death of Orpha Mae Osborn, which occurred March 1, 1945, was reported for recording.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting the concluding minute was read. The next Meeting to be held at the same time and place 4th Month, 8th day, 1945.

Vada Coon, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

4th Month, 8th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened immediately following the morning worship period 4th month, 8th day, 1945 with 30 persons in attendance.

The opening minute was read after which Aaron Napier informed the Meeting that he had talked with a number of the members preceding 4th month, 1st day, regarding changing the Meeting from the 1st day to the 8th day as the 1st day was Easter Sunday and those with whom he talked to were in favor of making the change. The Meeting approved of the change.

The minutes of the Third Month were read and approved.

The death of Edgar Osborn, which occurred March 6, 1945 was reported for recording in the minutes.

A request for active membership in Winchester Meeting by Mary Olive Keys was read. She and her husband, John Allen Keys, also requested associate membership for their four minor children, namely: Allen LeRoy, Betzy, James, and Janet Keys. All requests were granted.

A request for active membership into the Winchester Meeting by Iris Thornburg was read and she and her husband, Robert Thornburg, requested associate membership for their two minor children, namely: Linda Lou and Larry Jo Thornburg. The requests were granted.

The following committee was named to call on the new members and welcome them into membership with us: Mildred and Harold Johnston and Aaron and Inez Napier.

Helen Robinson Brock requested the transfer of her membership from this Meeting to the First Methodist Church at Middletown, Ohio. The request was granted and the Corresponding Clerk was instructed to forward the transfer to the minister of that church.

Luella Jaqua requested the transfer of her membership from this Meeting to the Presbyterian Church, Winchester, Ind. The request was granted and the Corresponding Clerk was instructed to send the transfer to the minister of that church.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

There being no further business the Meeting closed to meet at the same time and place 5th month, 6th day, 1945.

Vada Coon, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

5th Month, 6th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 5th month, 6th day, 1945 immediately following the morning worship period in the Winchester Friends Church with 36 persons in attendance.

The opening minute was read by Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk, after which the minutes of the 4th Month Meeting were read and approved.

The committee named to call on the new members to welcome them into membership with us reported not having attended to its duty, therefore the committee was continued.

A request of transfer of membership for Olive A. Thornburg from White River Monthly Meeting held at Rural, Randolph County, Indiana, May 1, 1945 and signed by Will Hendrickson, Clerk, to this Meeting, was read and the request was unanimously granted.

The committee named to call on Olive Thornburg and welcome her into membership with us was composed of Guy and Gertrude Friar and Florence Hinshaw.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were named as follows: Marvin and Irene Thornburg, Aaron and Inez Napier, Olive Thornburg, Martin and Ada Coats. The names were approved.

The deaths of Reva Martz, who died April 13, 1945 and Dr. J.W. Chenoweth, who died May 1, 1945 were reported for recording in the minutes. In the death of Dr. J.W. Chenoweth, the Meeting has lost a very valuable member. One who was ever faithful in his attendance at Sunday School, prayer meetings, and at morning and evening worship services at the church. In former years he taught a class of boys and for a great number of years served as an Elder and as a Trustee. He was always faithful to these duties and greatly interested in the spiritual growth of the Meeting. He attended services as long as his health would permit and often it was very uncomfortable for him to remain throughout the worship period. Although he was uncomfortable physically he felt he was being fed spiritually and enjoyed hearing the spoken word. His interest and loyalty to the church of his choice will live on in the lives of others. Aaron Napier gave a short talk in which he lauded the works and life of this faithful member.

The Meeting voiced its concern that the Nominating Committee, in connection with the remaining Trustees, meet and bring forth at the 6th month Meeting a name of a member to fill the Trustee vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Chenoweth. Also that the committee from the Monthly Meeting, composed of Marvin Thornburg, Helen Thornhill and Charles Cates, meet with the committee from the Meeting of Ministry & Oversight to select an Elder to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. Chenoweth.

The names of Esther Overman and Marvin Thornburg were selected to serve on the Nominating Committee of the Quarterly Meeting and the name of Leila Mendenhall was chosen as an alternate.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

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Charles Cates, chairman of the Peace and Service Committee, announced that a conference would be held in the church 5th month, 21st day, 1945 at which time Kirby Page, sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee, would be the speaker. This conference would be in two sessions, the first to be held at 6:30 o'clock in the basement of the church when a covered dish supper would be served, with members of the Golden Band Sunday School Class in charge. The second session would be held in the church auditorium at 8:00 o'clock.

There being no further business the Meeting concluded to meet again at the same time and place 6th month, 3rd day, 1945.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk

Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

6th Month, 3rd Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 6th month, 3rd day, 1945 immediately following the morning worship period in the Winchester Friends Church with 34 persons in attendance.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 5th month were read and approved.

The committee named to call on Mary Olive Keys and children and Iris Thornburg and children to welcome them into membership with us reported having attended to its duty.

The committee named to call on Olive A. Thornburg to welcome her into membership with us reported having attended to its duty.

The committees were discharged.

Marvin Thornburg, chairman of the delegates to Quarterly Meeting, gave a very complete report of that Meeting, which was held at Muncie, Indiana.

The committees named to bring forth the name of a member to serve as an Elder and also the name of a member to serve as a Trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. J.W. Chenoweth reported not having attended to their duties. The Meeting then voiced its concern that these vacancies be left open until the regular church officers and committees are named by the Nominating Committee which is to submit its report at the next stated Meeting.

The Meeting voiced its concern as to the naming of members to serve on the Nominating Committee and it was favorable with the Meeting that a member from the Messenger Society, Missionary Society and Ladies' Aid Society be appointed by the president of each group to serve with the committee carried over from the previous year. The names given later to the clerk were Ilo Denny, Helen Thornhill and Bertha Heaston. The names carried over from last year are Guy Friar, Ruth Pingry, Irene Chamness and Ardith Coon.

The deaths of Anna Keys, who died May 23, 1945 and James Richard Parker, who died May 20, 1945 were reported for recording in the minutes.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Charles Cates gave a short report of the Peace and Service Committee meeting held in the church with Kirby Page as speaker and stated a collection of \$62.83 was received for the support of Peace and Service

work.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 7th month, 1st day, 1945.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

7th Month, 1st Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened at the usual time and place, 7th month, 1st day, 1945 with 38 members present.

The minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read and approved with one change - that the church Treasurer not be named as a member of the Auditing Committee.

The committee appointed to act with a like committee from the Ministry & Oversight body to suggest names for unexpired terms of Elders and Overseers was not ready to report. It was decided to continue this committee as a committee on Elders and Overseers whose terms expire this year, in addition to presenting names for the two vacancies. (Dr. Chenoweth and Anna Keys) Charles Cates was a member of the committee and since he is finishing the term of Harry Robinson, 1945, the Meeting thought best to release him. Hubert Pingry was asked to serve in Charles's place. The two other members are Marvin Thornburg and Helen Thornhill.

The Meeting adjourned to meet 8th month, 5th day, 1945.

Esther T. Overman, Presiding Clerk
Inez Napier, Recording Clerk pro tem

8th Month, 5th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened at 10:20 o'clock 8th month, 5th day, 1945 in the Winchester Friends Church following the regular morning worship period.

The opening minute was read by the Presiding Clerk after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The committee appointed to act with a like committee from the Ministry & Oversight body to suggest names for unexpired terms of Elders and Overseers was continued as a report had not been submitted.

The Treasurer's report of the Sunday School for the past six months was read and approved.

The report of the Messenger Society for the past year was read and approved.

A report of the year's activities of the Peace and Service Committee was read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer of the Ladies Aid Society for the past quarter was read and approved.

The church Treasurer reported a balance on hand in the church treasury of \$203.78.

A concern was presented by Marvin Thornburg as to reimbursing Kenneth and Helen Boomer for a stove which they had loaned to the church several years ago at a time when they had no need for it. The stove was in good condition at that time and has been used much since being place in the church basement. The Meeting approved the concern that Kenneth and Helen be paid the price of the stove when new. A committee of three, Charles Cates, Marvin Thornburg and Frances Thornburg, was name to consult with the Boomers.

Marvin also reported that the Trustees had made two loans during the past year: one of \$2,000 and the other of \$1,000.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were named as follows: Florence Hinshaw, Lee and Bertha Briner, Flora Frazier, Lydia Cranor, and Marvin Thornburg.

Delegates to Yearly Meeting were named as follows: Inez Napier and Marvin Thornburg. Alternates: Esther Bright and Florence Hinshaw.

There being no further business the Meeting concluded to meet at the same time and place 9th month, 2nd day, 1945.

Esther T. Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

9th Month, 2nd Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 9th month, 2nd day, 1945 at the close of the morning meeting for worship. There were 25 present.

After the opening minute, the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The committee on Elders and Overseers gave the following report:

Elders whose terms expire in 1948:

Charles Cates, Fred Fixel, Lloyd Keys, Ida Bailey,
Kenneth Boomer, Phoebe Peacock.

To complete the unexpired term of Anna Keys:

Grace Warren (1946)

Overseers whose terms expire in 1948:

Philip Kabel, Dona Fixel

The report was accepted unanimously.

Aaron Napier suggested that the Treasurer's report be held for reading until next Sunday when more members might be present. His suggestion met with the approval of all.

Marvin Thornburg gave a very complete report of all sessions of Quarterly Meeting. Florence Hinshaw had asked him to do this as she had duties in the kitchen and dining room.

Charles Cates told of a Mrs. Copeland who has moved to Winchester who has no church affiliation and who might be interested in worshipping with us. Charles and Elizabeth Cates and Marvin and Irene Thornburg were asked to call upon her and invite her to attend our Meeting. Aaron and Inez Napier said they would call also.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned until 10th month, 7th day, 1945.

{handwritten} Esther Thomas Overman, Presiding Clerk

10th Month, 7th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 10th month, 7th day, 1945 with 30 present.

After the opening minute, the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The year's summary of the work of the Quaker Girl's class was read and several expressed appreciation of the activities of the class.

The committee appointed to call upon Mrs. Copeland said they had carried out the instructions of the Monthly Meeting.

The Clerk called attention to a letter received from the American Friends Service Committee regarding aid for the Quakers of Europe, especially those in France, Holland, Denmark and Norway. Due to starvation conditions in Europe, American Friends are asked to send food and clothing parcels. Winchester Friends felt a definite concern to help and decided to ask a committee to formulate plans. Esther

Bright was asked to act as chairman and to select a representative from each class and organization interested.

Aaron Napier explained the cooperative plan of the Church of the Brethren and Quakers to send heifers to Europe. There was a general concern that Winchester Meeting help with that project also. Aaron was asked to obtain more information and literature for distribution so that we might begin to make plans to help.

Guy Friar, as chairman of the Nominating Committee, asked if he was expected to provide copies of the report of the committee as accepted by the Meeting. He and Aaron were instructed to provide copies for the entire membership.

Inez Napier, Marvin Thornburg and Esther Bright gave very interesting accounts of Yearly Meeting.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned with the closing minute, to meet 11th month, 4th day, 1945.

Esther Thomas Overman, Presiding Clerk

11th Month, 4th Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the usual time and place with 34 members present.

In the absence of the Recording Clerk due to serious illness in her home, the Presiding Clerk made note of the action of the Meeting.

After the opening minute, the minutes of the last Meeting were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved, with appreciation.

The Nominating Committee and Aaron Napier were commended for their prompt action in preparing and distributing the list of officers and standing committees of the Meeting.

Aaron was asked to suggest a plan for the participation of our Meeting in the project of "Heifers for Relief".

Esther Bright reported that several were interested in sending food and clothing parcels to Friends in Europe and that some money had been handed to her. She asked that others get contributions to her promptly for forwarding.

Delegates to the November Quarterly Meeting were named as follows: Charles Coats, Catherine Coats, Charles Cates, Elizabeth Cates, Ethel Crawford, and Bertha Heaston.

Charles Cates read a letter from the Indiana Yearly Meeting's Committee on Civilian Public Service regarding future plans. Contributions should be in and the camps are to close by March 2, 1946.

Marvin Thornburg said the old carpet, discarded when replaced by the new in the auditorium and church parlor, was worthless as far as use the in church was concerned and he had sold it to a junk dealer. The Meeting approved.

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned to meet 12th month, 2nd day, 1945.

Esther Thomas Overman, Presiding Clerk

12th Month, 2nd Day, 1945

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the usual time and place with 49 members and visitors present.

The opening minute was read by the Presiding Clerk after which the minutes of the 11th month Meeting were read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved with favorable comment.

Charles Cates, Ethel Crawford and Inez Napier, delegates to Quarterly Meeting, gave satisfactory reports of the Meeting.

A card of thanks from relatives of Mrs. Louise Meyer was read.

Since the furnace of the church is in very bad condition, Aaron Napier presented a concern relative to purchasing a new furnace and stoker. After favorable comment from a number of the members, the Meeting approved making the purchase and placed the matter in the hands of the Trustees.

The concern of the "Heifer Project" was again presented by Marvin Thornburg and the Meeting gave its consent to the purchasing of a heifer. Aaron Napier was named to take care of this matter and he is to be assisted with whomsoever he names.

Inez Napier presented her concern regarding the "White Gift" offering which is held each year at the church at Christmas time. Stating that since there are not so many needy people in the city this year, that the gifts could be made in money and the amount contributed used to assist in caring for the heifer until shipping time or used for other foreign relief.

Deaths during the past two months were William T. Kem, October 8,

1945, and Louise Meyer, November 23, 1945.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 1st month, 6th day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

1st Month, 6th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the usual time and place with 37 members and visitors present.

The opening minute was read by the Presiding Clerk after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Aaron Napier reported that engineers had come to the church and made a survey and a checkup of the furnace which continued for two days. Nothing further had been accomplished regarding the installation of a new furnace on account of strikers holding up work.

Marvin Thornburg and Aaron Napier reported having made a few inquiries regarding the purchase of a heifer.

A report was made that canned goods and \$20.00 in money had been sent to the American Friends Service Committee for Foreign Relief.

Esther Bright presented her concern regarding members of the church writing to persons in foreign countries who had received boxes of canned goods sent out by members of this Meeting. A number of members took names and addresses to which they would write.

Ray Briner was reported having passed away December 5, 1945.

There being no further business the Meeting concluded to meet 2nd month, 3rd day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora M. Frazier, Recording Clerk

2nd Month, 3rd Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends met at the same time and place 2nd month, 3rd day, 1946 with 42 members and visitors present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted with favorable comment.

The report for the past six months for the Sunday School was read by the School Treasurer, Donald Clevenger, and the report was accepted with favorable comment.

Marvin Thornburg reported that no heifer had been purchased to date but the matter would be investigated further.

The Treasurer was instructed to pay to the Peoples Loan and Trust Company for two new lights which had been purchased for use in the church parlor.

Delegates to the Quarterly Meeting were selected as follows: Bertha Heaston, Florence Hinshaw, Esther Bright, Charles Coats, Catherine Coats and Lorena Bales.

A request for the transfer of memberships of Harold and Jane Bell, and their infant son Mark, to the First Friends Church at Indianapolis, Ind., was read and the request was granted.

Esther Bright presented a concern for the purchase of new music for the Easter cantata. The Meeting voiced its approval that the music be purchased and the expense be paid by the Church Treasurer.

A concern regarding the changing of the time for choir and orchestra rehearsals from Wednesday evenings to Thursday evenings was presented by Esther Bright. This was tabled for further consideration.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 3rd month, 3rd day, 1946.

Esther T. Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora M. Frazier, Recording Clerk

{handwritten} Mrs. Minnie Davidson died Jan. 17, 1946.

3rd Month, 3rd Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 3rd month, 3rd day, 1946 with 34 present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 2nd month, 3rd day, 1946 were read and approved with one exception. The Clerk was instructed to make the correction. The minute in error was regarding the purchase of new lights for the church parlor from the Peoples Loan and Trust Co. The lights were a gift to the church by the Trust Company and no payment is required.

The Meeting voiced its gratitude for the gift and instructed the Clerk to write a note of appreciation to the Trust Co.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

A financial report of the Trustees was read by Marvin Thornburg and the report was favorably received.

Florence Hinshaw gave a good report of the Quarterly Meeting session.

A "Guest Register" was displayed by Aaron Napier and the Meeting favored purchasing the book for use at the church. Aaron also spoke of purchasing "Guest cards" and suggested that one of the church organizations take over this project.

Aaron Napier read a few excerpts from a booklet entitled "Retirement Life Income." This is a concern of the Five Years Meeting and every Friends Church is to take some action on this concern. The book was given over to Ernest Thornburg to be read and studied by him, and then it is to be given to other members of the church for their study and finally to the Finance Committee, before any action is to be taken.

The marriage of Olive Thornburg to J.W. Sebring of Greenville, Ohio, on February 9, 1946 and the Marriage of Harold Mills to Faye Pegg on February 4, 1946, were reported for recording in the minutes.

There being no further business, the Meeting concluded to meet 4th month, 7th day, 1946

Esther T. Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora M. Frazier, Recording Clerk

4th Month, 7th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened 4th month, 7th day, 1946 in the Winchester Friends Church following the morning worship period with 30 present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 3rd month, 3rd day, 1946 were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report for the 3rd month was read and accepted.

A recommendation from the Meeting of Ministry & Oversight that the Monthly Meeting recommend to Quarterly Meeting that minutes of Yearly Meeting proceedings be placed in the various Meetings at the earliest possible date following Yearly Meeting was read and approved. The Clerk was instructed to forward such concern to the Clerk of the Quarterly Meeting.

A communication from the America Section of the Friends World Committee, stressing the building and re-building of Spiritual Brotherhood among Friends, was read by Esther Bright. No action was

taken at this time.

The Heifer Project was again presented by Aaron Napier and Marvin Thornburg. Heifers had been priced but none had been purchased. Different classes and organizations of the Sunday School and church reported having set aside a sum of money for the project.

Inez Napier read an article from the American Friend regarding relief work in foreign lands.

The deaths of Elnora Rowe, April 6, 1946 and Amanda Davis, April 7, 1946 were reported for recording in the minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting the Meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

5th Month, 6th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened at the usual time in the Winchester Friends Church, 5th month, 6th day, 1946 with 29 present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 4th month, 7th day, 1946 were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report for 4th month was read and accepted.

Aaron Napier reported that an Easter offering of \$100.00 had been received from Sylvia Herschfield, a non-resident member, and reported also that Sylvia had stated in her letter, which accompanied the check, that she deeply appreciated the Winchester Friends Church and she wished always to consider this church her real church home. The Meeting voiced its concern that a letter of appreciation be sent to Sylvia.

The Meeting approved a concern regarding the Yearly Meeting minutes being printed and distributed more promptly and forwarded a request to the Quarterly Meeting that the Quarterly Meeting, if it share this concern, forward this request to the 1946 session of Indiana Yearly Meeting.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were named as follows: Florence Hinshaw, Bessie Williams, Ruth Pingry, Martin Coats, Ada Coats.

Esther Overman and Leila Mendenhall were named to serve on the Quarterly Meeting Nominating Committee and Marvin Thornburg was named as an alternate.

The Meeting approved paying a bill of \$5.00 to Mrs. Mary Connor for printing of bulletins.

White's Institute having a concern to install a motion picture machine for religious educational purposes, the Winchester Monthly Meeting voiced its concern that \$25.00 be paid from the church treasury to aid in this project.

New members received into membership were Cecil Bolinger, Esther Bolinger and two minor children, William Cecil Bolinger and David Nelson Bolinger; Ralph Fisher and two minor children, Wayne Lee Fisher and Jon Calvert Fisher; Faye Mills, transfer from Methodist Church, Modoc, Ind.; E. Gertrude Anderson, Esta Heaston, Lois Heaston and Florence Heaston Rowe transferred from Bear Creek Church; and Charles David Rowe, minor child of Florence Heaston Rowe. Kay Boomer and David Jones were transferred from associate members to active members. All were heartily received into membership and the following persons {were} named to welcome them into membership with us.

Philip Kabel was named as chairman of the committee to call on the Bolinger's and Faye Mills, and he was to choose his helpers.

Esther Overman was named as chairman of the committee to call on Ralph Fisher and children and also on Florence Rowe and son and she was to choose her helpers.

Mrs. Lee Briner was named to call on Gertrude Anderson, Lois and Esta Heaston and she was instructed to choose her helpers.

A letter of appreciation was also to be sent to Mrs. Mary Smith and to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kiracofe for flowers sent to the church honoring departed loved ones.

A letter of appreciation from the Davis family for kindnesses and services rendered during the illness and death of Amanda Davis was read and accepted.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned to meet 6th month, 2nd day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

Winchester, Indiana

6th Month, 2nd Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened at the usual hour in the Winchester Friends Church 6th month, 2nd day, 1946 with 24 in attendance.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the 5th month, 6th day, 1946 were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Esther Overman reported that she, with her committee, had called on Ralph Fisher and children and Florence Rowe and son to welcome them into membership with us.

Mrs. Lee Briner and committee attended to the duty of calling on Gertrude Anderson and Esta and Lois Heaston.

No report was made by Philip Kabel or any of his committee, therefore the committee was continued.

Florence Hinshaw, chairman of the delegates to Quarterly Meeting, gave a complete and interesting report of the Quarterly Meeting session held at Muncie.

The Recording Clerk reported that letters of appreciation for flowers sent to the church on Easter Sunday had been sent out.

An additional \$25.00 was allowed for payment on the purchase of a motion picture machine to be used for educational purposes at White's Institute, making a total of \$50.00 paid by the local church.

A concern was presented by Kenneth Boomer that a motion picture machine be purchased for the local church to be used in Sunday School work. He was instructed to write to Senator Raymond Springer to learn whether such a machine could be purchased more reasonably by obtaining one that had been used by the army.

Aaron Napier reported that the minute to Quarterly Meeting regarding the distribution of Indiana Yearly Meeting minutes at an early date after Yearly Meeting, had been approved by the Quarterly Meeting.

The death of Elkanah Hill, who died May 13, 1946, was reported for recording in the minutes.

Olive Thornburg Sebring requested that her membership be transferred from this Meeting to the Evangelical Lutheran Church at Greenville, Ohio. The request was granted and the Clerk instructed to send the transfer to the pastor of that church.

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A concern of moving canned goods from the basement, which had been

contributed for foreign relief, was presented by Charles Cates. No decision was made at this time.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 7th month, 7th day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk

Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

Winchester, Indiana

7th Month, 7th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened in the Winchester Friends Church 7th month, 7th day, 1946 at the usual hour with 33 present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of 6th month, 2nd day, 1946 were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted with favorable comment.

Letters from S. Russell Burkett of Fresno, California, and Nell, Paul and John Little regarding the tragic death of our Pastor, R. Aaron Napier, were read. The letters are filed with these minutes. Esther Overman reported having answered the Burkett letter.

Esther Overman read a letters from the American Friends Board of Missions which was an urge for spiritual leaders and religious workers in various phases of Mission work.

Several copies of minutes of the Five Years Meeting were on the table for distribution.

Kenneth Boomer was named chairman of the Nominating Committee. The concern of the Meeting was that other members of the committee be chosen from the organized classes of the Sunday School, from the women's organization of the church and the Primary Department, one worker from each group.

Marvin Thornburg spoke of the Heifer Project and stated that arrangements had been made to purchase a heifer at a price of \$140.00. This heifer {is} to be paid for by contributions from members desiring to make contributions.

Charles Cates, Lena Bales and Irene R. Thornburg were named by the Monthly Meeting to act with members appointed by the Meeting of Ministry & Oversight in the selection of Elders and Overseers.

The deaths of L.E. Moody, who died June 6, 1946 and R. Aaron Napier, who died June 9, 1946, were reported for recording in the minutes.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 8th month, 4th day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

The committee named to call on Cecil and Esther Bolinger and Faye Mills was continued as its duty had not been attended to.

8th Month, 4th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends convened in the Winchester Friends Church 8th month, 4th day, 1946 at the usual time with 29 present.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The committee named to call on Cecil and Esther Bolinger and Faye Mills, with Philip Kabel as chairman, was continued.

The Nominating Committee had not completed its duty, therefore the concern of the Meeting was that the report be given at an adjourned session.

The committee named to purchase a heifer reported having purchased a heifer from Carl Hartman and it was sent to the place designated.

The Treasurer's report for the month of July was read and accepted.

Frances Thornburg gave an interesting report of the Registrar and Statistician.

Marvin Thornburg gave a short verbal report of the financial activities of the Trustees.

Inez Napier gave a short verbal report of the activities of the Press and Publication Committee.

Orval Pickett reported that 83 1/2 was the average attendance at the morning worship period during the month of July.

A very interesting report of the Missionary Society for the past year compiled by Helen Boomer was read by Kenneth Boomer.

A verbal report of the Young People's activities was given by Charles Cates.

The Treasurer's report of the Missionary Society was read and

approved.

Hubert Pingry gave a verbal report of the activities of the Social Committee.

Donald Clevenger read a report of the financial standing of the Friends Sunday School.

Riley Thornburg gave a report of the activities of the Music Committee.

A verbal report of the Peace and Service Committee was given by Charles Cates.

A report of the social and financial activities of the Quaker Girls Class was compiled by Alice Harrison and read by the Clerk.

A financial report of the Ladies Aid Society was read.

Esther Overman gave a report regarding the concern of securing a pastor and reported having called on Grant Johnson at Ridge Farm, Illinois.

Inez Napier reported having made 47 calls during the month of July and sent a check for \$10.00 to Norval Webb for the Union Sunday night service.

All reports were approved and all written reports are filed with these minutes.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned to meet at the call of the Clerk.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

8th Month, 11th Day, 1946

A Called Meeting of the Winchester Monthly Meeting was held at the close of the morning worship period 8th month, 11th day, 1946 to complete unfinished business at 8th month, 4th day, 1946.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were named as follows: Lee Briner, Esther Bright, Inez Napier, Mabel Mills and Charles Cates. Young Friends named were Kenneth Overman, Joyce Overman, Ernest Lee Thornburg, Annette Clevenger and Alice Mills.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read and approved.

The naming of delegates to Indian Yearly Meeting was left to the

Nominating Committee and the names were to be presented to the Quarterly Meeting clerk at the Meeting to be held 8th month, 17th day, 1946.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, the closing minute was read. The next Meeting {is} to be held at the same time and place 9th month, 1st day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

9th Month, 1st Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Church 9th month, 1st day, 1946 at the usual hour with an attendance of 31 members and visitors.

The minutes of the regular session and of the called session held during the 8th month were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Orval Pickett announced that the average attendance at the morning worship period during the 8th month was 76 1/2.

The year's report of the Messenger Society was read and accepted.

A certificate of transfer of membership of Mrs. Harold Mills from the Methodist Church at Modoc, Indiana, to Winchester Friends Church was read. (This was a delayed communication.) The transfer having been made at the Monthly Meeting session 5th month, 6th day, 1946.

The concern of printing the Year Book, containing names of officers and committees was left in the hands of the Nominating Committee.

A good detailed report of Quarterly Meeting session was given by Mabel Mills.

Yearly Meeting delegates named by the Nominating Committee were Inez Napier and Florence Hinshaw. Alternates were Esther Bright and Esther Overman.

Inez Napier reported having made 45 calls during 8th month.

Esther Overman reported having contacted different pastors by mail and by trips pertaining to a vacancy to be filled due to the accidental death of our Pastor, R. Aaron Napier.

Esther Overman also mentioned the fact that work was being done on steps at the two entrances to the church and that the work was being

sponsored by the Golden Band Class of the Sunday School.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 10th month, 6th day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk

Flora Frazier, Recording Clerk

10th Month, 6th Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 10th month, 6th day, 1946 at the usual hour with an attendance of 123 members and visitors.

The minutes of the regular session held during the 9th month were read and approved, with a suggestion that the words "meeting house" instead of "church" be used in the minutes.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The Auditing Committee read their report which was approved.

Marvin Thornburg gave a further report on the new church steps. The cost for the two entrances was \$35. The Golden Band Class agreed to finance the payment of one entrance and Marvin asked for donations to finance the other entrance.

The Visiting Committee to call on Cecil and Esther Bolinger and Faye Mills was held over until next month.

A letter was received by Mrs. Dan Bailey from Marian Gray with a gift of an \$8 check for the Friends Church. The letter and gift was acknowledged by Mrs. Bailey.

Inez Napier reported having made calls during 9th month.

Marvin Thornburg reported as having engaged Everett Hinshaw to make some much needed repairs on the building to prevent the rain from coming in and ruining the plastering.

Orval Pickett announced that the average attendance at the morning worship period during the 9th month was 79 and for the last quarter 79 2/3.

Esther Overman gave summary of letter written by Murray Kenworthy asking for funds for the expense of keeping E. Raymond Wilson in Washington, D.C., who is connected with national legislation for Friends and who is keeping us posted so we will know how to fight unfavorable measures.

The Five Years Meeting has appointed a committee to study the pension plan for preachers, missionaries, etc. in the Friends Meetings and Esther Overman presented a pamphlet put out by this committee for us to read. Inez Napier also talked in favor of this plan and said it was the coming thing and that soon most Friends Churches would have it. Other denominations have had it for some time.

Because of the long business meeting, the reports from the delegates to Yearly Meeting at Richmond were short, but interesting. These were given by Florence Hinshaw and Inez Napier. Florence said Inez had been appointed Recording Clerk of Yearly Meeting for next year.

A vote of thanks was given to Inez for putting out the Year Books, who refused pay for doing them. They have been distributed.

Before closing, Esther Overman urged us all to feel our responsibilities in our work for the new year now beginning.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 11th month, 3rd day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

11th Month, 3rd Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 11th month, 3rd day, 1946 at the usual hour with an attendance of 36.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett announced that the average attendance at the morning worship period during the 10th month was 98 3/4.

Dorothy M. Holdeman requests that her membership be transferred from this Meeting to the Congregational Church in Winchester. This request was granted and the Clerk instructed to send the transfer to the pastor of that church.

A letter was read from Frances Gregg, Treasurer Women's Missionary Society, Friendsville, Tennessee, inviting all interested Friends to be present at their 12th Harvest Festival for Friendsville Academy, to be held Tuesday evening, November 26, 1946 at Thatcher Hall. She said they are raising funds for a piano, greatly needed, and that any articles, suitable for use in Boy's and Girl's dormitories, would be

most acceptable.

Letters or bulletins were also read from the A.F.S.C. and Friends Committee on National Legislation.

It was reported that Charles Cates and Marvin Thornburg were enroute to Poland on the cattle boat for European Relief.

The Marriage of Ora Martin to Elwood Keys was reported for recording in the minutes.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting, to be held in Winchester, were named as follows: Florence Hinshaw, Esther Bright, Frances Thornburg, Vernon Overman, Orval Pickett, Kay Boomer, Joyce Overman, Kenneth Overman, and Alice Mills.

Inez Napier reported having made 65 calls during the 10th month.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 12th month, 1st day, 1946.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

12th Month, 1st Day, 1946

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 12th month, 1st day, 1946 at the usual hour with an attendance of 34.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was also read and approved.

The cattle boat to Poland on which Marvin Thornburg and Charles Cates were going, caught fire as a result of a collision between it and a tanker, in a fog, a few miles out. Damage was so bad the boat had to return for repairs. So much time had been wasted in waiting that the two men decided to return home instead of going on with the trip.

Marvin Thornburg gave a report on the proposed oil burner for the parsonage and the need for a toilet and lavatory downstairs. He also spoke of repairs needed for the church. The organ has been tuned and the pipes repainted. Thanks to Darrell Briner were given for painting the pipes.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance at the morning worship service was 86 1/4 and that the attendance for the early morning Thanksgiving Service held at our Meeting House was 112.

A report was given on the Quarterly Meeting held at our Meeting House by Esther Bright.

Indiana Yearly Meeting Peace and Service Committee report was given by Esther Overman. The Rural Life Association is to have a conference at Earlham December 12-14, 1946.

All members were urged to contact congressmen to ask for defeat of the Conscription Bill coming up in January.

Kenneth Boomer reported on the Earlham College Meeting on Sunday, 2:00 p.m., November 24, 1946. Rufus Jones gave a good inspirational talk followed by a round table discussion by delegates, of what Earlham could do for the Indiana and Western Yearly Meetings and what the two meetings could do for Earlham. Rural Life was emphasized.

Inez Napier reported 74 calls for the 11th month.

The plan for family visitation was approved.

The marriage of John Stein and Bessie Batchelor Shirk was reported for recording in the minutes.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 1st month, 5th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

1st Month, 12th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 1st month, 12th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 40.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was also read and approved. Comment from members were given on how well prepared they were.

Orval Pickett gave a written report of church attendance to the Recording Clerk for the past six months. July 83 1/2, August 76 1/2, September 79, October 98 3/4, November 87 1/4, and December 95. For the third quarter the average was 79 2/3 and for the fourth quarter 93 1/3. The average for the six months was 86 1/2.

It was recommended that Darrell Briner be sent a note of thanks for painting the pipes of the organ. This was done January 20, 1947.

Inez Napier reported 83 calls for the 12th month.

Deaths for the month were Ida Bolinger, which occurred December 25, 1946 and Alice Kabel, December 31, 1946.

The birth of a son, James Merl, to Donald and Hazel Clevenger on December 3, 1946 was reported.

Howard Thornburg and Wilsie Knapp were united in marriage on January 4, 1947.

Monthly Meeting was held one week later than usual since full time was given to President Tom Jones of Earlham College for his message on January 5, 1947, the time for the regular Meeting.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

2nd Month, 2nd Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 2nd month, 2nd day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 35.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for January was 96.

Inez Napier reported 83 calls for the month.

Helen Boomer was unanimously approved as the Overseer to fulfill the unexpired term of Alice Kabel, left vacant by her death.

The Recording Clerk was instructed to fill out a transfer blank for Flora Frazier, who requested her membership be transferred to the Nazarene Church. This was done February 5, 1947.

Delegates chosen for the Quarterly Meeting were: Grace Warren, Orval Pickett, Inez Napier, Charles Cates, and Vernon Overman.

Inez Napier presented the communication she had had from John Walters of the Spiritual Life Committee of the Friends Meetings. This communication presented the concern for the deepening of the Spiritual Life. This committee wishes to have a special effort made on Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Saturday evening of the Quarterly Meeting. Since the February Quarterly Meeting is in the Winchester Meeting House the committee wishes to know if it has the approval of the Winchester Meeting. There were several expressions of approval of the need of such a program, but a concern over the number attending

from our own Meeting was given. The plan was approved with an added note to make a special effort to get our own people informed.

Ethel Crawford mentioned the radio program of Cavalcade of America on February 3, 1947, at 7:00 p.m. The program is to be the life of Josiah White, founder of White's Institute and Scattergood Hostel, at Scattergood, Iowa.

Charles Cates read a letter from Clarence E. Pickett concerning the current proposed plan for Military Training which is a more subtle plan than those offered before and which would violate the principles for which Friends stand. Raymond Wilson expressed need of educational programs showing the merits of universal disarmament.

Inez mentioned a blank she had received for the U.S. Census of Religious Bodies put out by the Department of Commerce.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting the closing minute was read, with the next Meeting to be held at the same time and place 3rd month, 2nd day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

3rd Month, 2nd Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 3rd month, 2nd day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 34.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for February was 87 1/4.

Esther Overman read from a letter by Logan Smith, who is Yearly Meeting Superintendent, in regard to letters which should have been written to Indianapolis in regard to legislation. He sends letters to Meetings about every six weeks.

Quarterly Meeting reports were given by Grace Warren, who stressed the General Meeting, and by Charles Cates who reported on Peace work.

The Quarterly Meeting is giving a scholarship to Earlham to the senior high school student who enters and wins a contest sponsored by the Quarterly Meeting on the subject of Peace. Our Meeting voted to give \$50 as all Monthly Meetings are contributing.

The \$28 given to Tom Jones when he was here, consisting of both morning and evening services, was given by him to apply on the Earlham College Chapel they are going to build. He sent our Meeting a note to this effect.

Inez Napier reported 75 calls for the month.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, the closing minute was read with the next Meeting to be held at the same time and place 4th month, 6th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

3rd Month, 30th day, 1947
(Fourth Month Meeting)

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 3rd month, 30th day, 1947, one week early because of Easter coming on the regular meeting time. There was an attendance of 50.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was not given as the full month had not expired.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for March was $90 \frac{3}{5}$ and for the quarter was 90.85.

A letter for transfer of membership of Doris & Charles Comer to First Friends in Indianapolis was passed on and approved, with instructions for Clerk to send the transfer of membership. The letter was sent within the week. Also with the consent of the Meeting a transfer of membership of Phyllis Macon McHolland was made to the Main Street Christian Church. It was brought to the attention of the Meeting that Nancy Briner (associate to active) and Bessie Stine wished to unite with the Meeting. A committee to call on Nancy Briner was named as follows: Kenneth and Helen Boomer and Philip Kabel. The committee to call on Bessie Stine was Ernest and Irene Thornburg and Guy and Gertrude Friar.

Marvin Thornburg had a letter from Louis Campbell in regard to a fire which destroyed the house and most of the furnishings of Herbert Kinsey and his family. He wanted people to feel free to contribute anything they wanted to as almost anything would be acceptable. Those desiring to give in our Meeting were to contact Marvin Thornburg.

Kenneth Boomer said the Sunday School Committee had talked about the purchase of a moving picture machine and wanted to know the will of the Monthly Meeting. It was commented on favorably.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 5th month, 4th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

4th Month, 24th Day, 1947

A Called Meeting of the Winchester Monthly Meeting was held 4th month, 24th day, 1947, at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting House with 30 present. The Meeting was called by the Clerk to hear the report of the Pastoral Committee which had met the previous night with Elmer Howard Brown of Clinton Corners, N.Y. The Pastoral Committee recommended that a call be extended to Elmer Howard Brown to come as our Pastor.

The Clerk read a letter written to her last September by said Brown, as it furnished some information on his life and his ideas. There were many comments made on his education, training, capabilities and personality by those who were at the meeting of the Pastoral Committee. After much discussion, it was unanimously approved to extend to him the invitation. The Clerk then read a letter written beforehand in case of approval, to the Meeting which was approved and sent out yet that night to his home in Clinton Corners.

Grant Johnson had been extended a call previously, but had refused because of the illness of his wife.

The Meeting approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee for a preacher's salary of \$50 weekly and to pay moving expenses which were to be approximately \$300.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

5th Month, 4th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 5th month, 4th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 62.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's reports for two month, March and April, were given and approved. The March report was given at this time as the last Meeting was held a week before the month was up and the report could not be completed.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for April was 118 1/2.

The committees to call on Nancy Briner and Bessie Stine were continued

as they had not had opportunity to call.

Delegates appointed to attend Quarterly Meeting at Muncie were appointed as follows: Stella Moore, Mabel Mills, Alice Moore, Bessie Stine, and Vernon Overman. Members appointed to the Quarterly Meeting Nominating Committee are Marvin and Irene Thornburg.

Esther Overman read a letter from Elmer Brown in which he requested more information and then read her reply to him. Her letter was approved by the Meeting. Comments from the members on the annuity plan were made. Also discussed was the purchase of a printing machine for the incoming pastor. After discussion, the purchase of one was approved.

One death was reported, Phoebe Peacock, on April 28, 1947 and one marriage, Inez M. Allen and William C. Howe on April 5, 1947.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet at the same time and place 6th month, 1st day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

5th Month, 11th Day, 1947
(Called Meeting)

There was a Called Meeting of the Winchester Monthly Meeting immediately following worship service Sunday, 5th month, 11th day, 1947 with 35 in attendance. This Meeting was called by the Clerk of the Monthly Meeting at the request of the Pastoral Committee, to discuss further the problems that had arisen in regard to our obtaining Elmer Howard Brown as our new minister. Esther Overman read the complete correspondence which had taken place between them, and especially the last letter. It seems that he wants more salary than the Meeting agreed to give. In the meantime, Esther had heard that Kenneth Pickering, who was formerly at Knightstown, and is now at Los Angeles, wished to return to the Indiana Yearly Meeting, so as soon as she received the letter from E. Howard Brown, she called a meeting of the Pastoral Committee and they decided if they could get someone else, to do so. She called Kenneth Pickering and told him the conditions which had been offered to Elmer Brown and wished to know if they were satisfactory to him. He said they were, so she told him they would call a meeting of the Monthly Meeting and report their action to him. After many favorable reports given by various members, in his favor, the Meeting unanimously approved calling him as our Pastor.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 6th month, 1st day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

6th Month, 1st Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 6th month, 1st day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 54.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting and the Called Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for May was 127.

The calling committees who were appointed to call on Nancy Briner and Bessie Stine reported they had made their calls.

The committee on Elders and Overseers suggested to the Meeting, in a written statement, that Mabel Mills be appointed to finish the unexpired term of Phoebe Peacock as Elder. The suggestion was approved by the Meeting.

Esther Overman read a letter she had written to Kenneth Pickering, extending a call to come to Winchester as Pastor of our Meeting, confirming statements made on a telephone call. He replied immediately accepting the terms.

A report of the Quarterly Meeting was given by Stella Moore. At this meeting no financial trouble was in evidence, but that there was a lack of concern for the spiritual life of the church. The theme was "Our Responsibility to the Church." Fred Moore was sent as a delegate in place of Vernon Overman who was unable to attend.

There being no further business the Meeting adjourned to meet 7th month, 6th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

7th Month, 6th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 7th month, 6th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 44.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for June was 111.

The report of the Sunday School Committee for the officers of the coming year is as follows:

Leonard Bolinger.....Superintendent
Gordon Keys.....Asst. Superintendent
Walter Mills.....Temporary Secretary
Esther Bolinger.....Asst. Secretary
Don Clevenger.....Treasurer
Meriam Hollingsworth...Primary Superintendent
Caroline Vaupel.....Asst. Primary Superintendent
Vada Cook.....Superintendent of Cradle Roll
Lena Bales.....Asst. Superintendent of Cradle Roll
Esther Bright.....Librarian

The Nominating Committee to appoint the standing committees is as follows:

Ernest Thornburg.....from Oscar Puckett Class
Esther Bright.....Quaker Girls
Max Bashia.....William Penn
Hubert Pingry.....Golden Band
Mary Kemp.....Women's Society
Helen Boomer.....Junior Department
Kenneth Boomer.....Monthly Meeting

Charles Cates, Marvin Thornburg and Gordon Keys were appointed to {nothing follows}.

The death of Mary Lamm occurred on July 3, 1947 and the marriage of Charlotte Van Wylick to Robert Macy {occurred} on June 15, 1947.

Charles Cates gave some items from the news letter put out once a month by E. Raymond Wilson on legislation.

Marvin Thornburg spoke on plans for the new furnace for the church and repair plans for the parsonage.

There being no further business, the closing minute was read, the next Meeting to be held same time and place 8th month, 6th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

8th Month, 3rd Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 8th month, 3rd day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of

38.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for July was 80 1/2.

A letter was read by Esther Bright from Walter and Bertha Langston requesting their membership be transferred to the First Evangelical United Brethren Church of Harford City, Indiana. The Meeting approved the transfer. She also read a letter from Ben and Alice Lawrence, sister and brother-in-law of Inez Napier, stating to the Winchester Meeting their appreciation of the kindness shown to Inez the past year.

The marriage of Julia Mills to Virgil Cox took place July 25, 1947 and a daughter, Susan, was born to Irene Keys Mopps on June 28, 1947.

Flowers were sent by the church to Harold Cooper's funeral, July 24, 1947.

Marvin Thornburg gave a report on the progress of parsonage repairs and asked for more volunteer help.

Reports were given for the year for the following classes and committees:

Trustees (written) Marvin Thornburg
Funeral Committee (oral) Helen Thornhill
Social Committee (oral) Hubert Pingry
Music Committee (oral) Riley Thornburg
Bible School Committee (oral) Max Bashia
Quaker Girls (written) Edith Potter
Golden Band Class (written)
William Penn Class (written) Faye Mills
Women's Society (written) Financial & Social,
Frances Thornburg

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting are as follows: Frances Thornburg, Stella Moore, Helen Thornhill, Grace Keys, Alice Moore, and Daisy Wysong.

There being no further business, the closing minute was read, the next Meeting to be held same time and place 9th month, 7th day, 1947.

Estella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

9th Month, 7th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 9th month, 7th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 80.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

As an official body, the Meeting expressed its happiness to have Kenneth and Ruthanna Pickering and family with it.

Kenneth Pickering was appointed delegate to the Yearly Meeting, with Marvin Thornburg as alternate.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported an average attendance for August of 71 1/5 with an average attendance of 99 until July 1. At the Friday evening reception there were 100 and Sunday morning 161.

Don Clevenger read the Sunday School report. Caroline Vaupel read the Missionary Committee report. Kenneth Boomer gave the Nominating Committee report which was approved and will be handed in. Each family will be provided with a booklet containing the names of the members of the various committees as has formerly been done. The Finance Committee reported an estimated \$400 to \$500 yet to be raised.

Frances Thornburg gave a report of the Quarterly Meeting. She mentioned that Norman Young spoke on stewardship emphasizing not only the paying of money, but using of time, efforts, and many other things, and ending with the question "How much do we really owe God?" Helen Thornhill said she felt the Quarterly Meeting just before Yearly Meeting was always very interesting. Grace Keys mentioned the illustration of building piers on a firm foundation.

A letter from Donald M. Stanley on the Young Friends conference to be at Eerde, Holland, was read.

Esther Overman read a letter from Alwilda Lamm and she suggested that the people who knew her write and express their appreciation for her interest.

Hubert Pingry was instructed to send a note of thanks to Mrs. Milo Smith for the flowers sent by her for the reception. Appreciation for the work of the Social Committee was expressed.

The marriage of Edwin Gene Thornburg and Mildred Newport on August 24, 1947 was reported. A baby, Dennis Richard, born August 30, 1947, son of Gene Richard Cox, and died the same day, was also reported.

Kenneth Pickering expressed appreciation for the things which had been done to the parsonage for their comfort and convenience.

There was some discussion about the Prayer Meeting time, but decided to wait until the time change.

There being no further business, the closing minute was read, the next Meeting to be held the same time and place 10th month, 5th day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

9th Month, 14th Day, 1947
(Called Meeting)

There was a Called Meeting of the Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends immediately following the morning worship service for the purpose of acting upon the transfer of membership of Kenneth R., Ruthanna, Joyce, and James Pickering, from the Los Angeles Monthly Meeting to Winchester Monthly Meeting. They were accepted by unanimous approval.

Esther Overman }
Esther Bright } Clerks

10th Month, 5th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 10th month, 5th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 87.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for September was 150 1/3.

A committee composed of Gordon and Eloise Keys, and Fred and Stella Moore were named to call on the Pickering family to welcome them to our Meeting. A request for transfer of membership from the Methodist Church to our Meeting for Allen Comer, was approved and a committee composed of Esther and Cecil Bollinger, and Max and Violet Bashia was appointed to call on him. A request for letter of transfer from our Meeting to the Presbyterian Church for Charlotte Van Wylick Macy was approved.

The marriage of Walter Mills and Pauline Daggett on September 12, 1947

was reported and the marriage of Patricia Cortner on September 26, 1947 at Knightstown was mentioned. A daughter, Amy Garvin, was born September 29, 1947 to Janet Davisson Shatts.

It was announced that folders on the standing committees were ready for distribution.

Kenneth Pickering, who was a delegate to the Indiana Yearly Meeting, gave his report, the main thing of interest being the action taken concerning a change in "Faith and Practice." Section II was adopted which had to do with business procedure and which is considered a definite step forward as it expedites the business work. Also it automatically gives Overseers the position of Elders.

There being no further business, the closing minute was read, the next Meeting to be held same time and place 11th month, 2nd day, 1947.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

11th Month, 9th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the basement of the Meeting House, 11th month, 9th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 80. The Meeting was held in the basement as the furnace installation for the building had not been completed and there was no heat except for a coal stove in the basement. Regular meeting date had been postponed one week hoping for completion of work.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's monthly and yearly reports were read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for October as 130 1/2.

The visiting committees appointed to call on the Pickering's and Allen Comer reported the calls made.

The Trustees report given by Marvin Thornburg stated that \$2,670.00 were out on interest and that \$2,030.00 were on hand in the bank.

Charles Cates mentioned that Raymond Wilson needs funds to carry on his work in the legislation department in Washington, D.C.

The death of Sue Mills came on November 2, 1947 and the birth of a boy, Jay Allen to Glen and Glenda Myers on October 21, 1947.

The following were appointed as delegates to Quarterly Meeting: Lloyd Keys, Marvin Thornburg, Lorena Bales, Grace Keys, and Irene Thornburg.

Marian Gray and Esther Overman were reported to be very ill and cards were requested to be sent to both.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 12th month, 7th day, 1947.

Estella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

12th Month 7th Day, 1947

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 12th month, 7th day, 1947 at the usual hour with an attendance of 77.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for November was 128 3/4.

A request by Alma Fennimore for membership was approved by the Meeting and a committee was appointed consisting of Stella Moore, Helen Thornhill and Ida Bailey, to call on her. Also a request for membership was received by letter from John Jerling, husband of Janice McCamish Jerling, which was approved. Since he lives in Texas, the Recording Clerk was ordered to send a letter of welcome. {handwritten:} (Sent Dec. 18th.)

The death of Marian Grey occurred November 11, 1947 in Michigan; also the birth of Richard Lee, son of Harold and Faye Mills November 25, and death November 28, 1947.

At the suggestion of Caroline Vaupel, the Meeting voted to extend the hospitality of our Meeting House to a meeting of the Missionary women sometime during April, of Quarterly Meeting members.

Cards were asked to be sent to Elwood Keys and Wava Dudley, both of whom are sick.

Marvin Thornburg and Kenneth Pickering gave short reports of the Quarterly Meeting which was held in our Meeting House.

There being no further business, the closing minute was read, the next Meeting to be held same time and place 1st month, 4th day, 1948.

Stella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

1st Month, 4th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 1st month, 4th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 85.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for December was 143 3/4.

The committee appointed to call on Alma Fennimore was unable to do so but reported they would try and get it done this month.

The death of Elwood Keys on December 11, 1947 was reported. He was not a member of our Meeting, but attended regularly.

Kenneth Pickering took David Jones, Kay Boomer, Alice Mills and Joyce Pickering to Fairmont to attend an all day meeting of the Mid-Year Young Friends Conference. The theme was "What does dedication to Christ mean?" The address in the evening session was given by Eldon Trueblood.

Charles Cates again said they needed donations to carry on the work by E. Raymond Wilson and his committee, who are in Washington, in the interest of Friends, to try and see that only legislation to the best interests of everyone is passed. Right now they are fighting Universal Military Training. After discussion, the Meeting decided the best way to obtain funds was for individuals to contribute and to give their names as a matter of record. Charles Cates was appointed to take charge of donations. Individuals were urged to give now.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 2nd month, 1st day, 1948.

Estella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

{handwritten} Death of William J. Sayers December 21, 1947. He was Pastor of Winchester Friends Meeting from 1905 - 1909.

2nd Month, 1st Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 2nd month, 1st day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 73.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous

Meeting were read, corrected, and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for January was 119 in the morning and in the evening 60 $\frac{3}{4}$.

Delegates to the Quarterly Meeting are as follows: Grace Warren, Martin Coats, Ruthanna Pickering, Marvin Thornburg, Helen Boomer, and Ada Coats.

Births reported were Cynthia Ann Harrison on January 12, 1948 to Herbert and Alice Harrison and Darlene Diane Thornburg on January 19, 1948 to Howard and Wilsie Thornburg. Deaths reported were Dona Fixel and George Mills on January 26, 1948.

Kenneth Pickering mentioned the work being done on the church building and the need for more workers.

Marvin Thornburg spoke of the needs of those taking care of the children in the nursery. A bed, case for materials, teeter-babe, blackboard, harmless toys, etc. were mentioned as being needed.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet the 3rd month, 7th day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

3rd Month, 7th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 3rd month, 7th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 57.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for February was 120 $\frac{2}{5}$ in the morning and 51 $\frac{3}{5}$ in the evening.

Estella Moore reported that she had called on Alma Fennimore.

Reports from the Quarterly Meeting were given. Grace Warren noted that there seemed to be more spiritual concern shown and that there were more in attendance from other churches than our own. Ruthanna Pickering mentioned the talk of Francis Brown which concerned traveling from one town such as Selfishness to another such as Greed, etc. until finally they did come to the city of Love and how good it was to get there. Note was made of the presence of two visitors,

Parvin Bond and James Furby. Marvin Thornburg reported that James Furby had asked how people liked the new quarterlies and whether comments on the Sunday School in the American Friend should be continued. Several people expressed the feeling that the quarterlies were not giving the needed help. It was approved that a kindly letter expressing this feeling be sent to the committee in charge. Everyone agreed that they heartily approved of Friends writing the quarterly.

The death of Mary Chenoweth on March 4, 1948 was reported.

Recommendations for membership from the Pastoral Committee into full membership were Donald and Viva Gilpin, Paul and Mildred Nickey, Pauline Mills, George and Marjorie Carter, Marjorie Rouch, Virgil Cox, Glenn, Jan, and Mark Myers, Sue Anderson, Wayne Fields.

Recommendations for associate membership were Thomas and Carolyn Nickey, Gregory Daggett, Philip Carter, Marcia Sue Rouch, Jerry Lee Washler, Marietta and Tommy Hollingsworth, Cynthia Ann Harrison, Linda and Jay Allen Myers.

These recommendations were approved and the committee to call upon them is to be appointed at the next Meeting.

Charles Cates reported fifty present and \$23.00 offering for the talk by Martin Hall sent by the American Friends Service Committee.

Announcement of the Missionary Rally on April 1, 1948 was made and \$1.00 contribution to it was approved.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 4th month, 4th day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

4th Month, 4th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 4th month, 4th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 68.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for March was 160 1/4 and the attendance for three night meetings totaled 140.

Committees appointed to call on new members were as follows: Gordon and Eloise Keys and Bill and Florence Comer to call on Donald and Viva

Gilpin, Paul and Mildred Nickey, Virgil Cox, and Glen, Jan, and Mark Myers. Harold and Mildred Johnston and John and Ardith Coon to call on Pauline Mills and George and Marjorie Carter. Esther Bright and Helen Thornhill to call on Marjorie Rouch and Wayne Fields. Mabel Mills and Lydia Cranor to call on Sue Anderson.

Esther Overman read excerpts from the Newsletter from Washington asking for cooperation in killing the Military Conscription bill.

An invitation to participate in the Golden Jubilee Celebration at Hertor's River Jamaica of the Happy Grove School, was read by Recording Clerk. A reply is to be written in due time. The celebration is to be July 10, 11, 12, 1948.

Kenneth Pickering brought up the subject of voicing objection to the beer ads which are now being put in the Winchester paper. He suggested we do it as individuals.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 5th month, 2nd day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

NO MINUTES FOR MAY 1948 THEY MAY BE ON THE BACK OF THE APRIL MINUTES AND WERE NOT PHOTOCOPIED.

6th Month, 6th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 6th month, 6th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 45.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for May was 128 in the morning services and 59 ²/₅ in the evening services.

Mildred Johnston gave an excellent report of the Quarterly Meeting which was held in Muncie. John Compton brought the message, which was "Ye Must Be Born Again." She said some objections were brought up on Winchester having most of the Quarterly Meetings. It is to be discussed further. Also at Quarterly Meeting, Farmland sent a note saying they thought that an agreement made in 1905 that the Quarterly Meeting pay one-fourth of the upkeep of the Winchester Friends Church was too high for only meeting 3 times a year, and they would like to have the help discontinued. It was left with the Quarterly Meeting Trustees to investigate. Marvin Thornburg and Philip Kabel spoke on

why most of the Quarterly Meetings were held in Winchester. The important point being that most of the membership was in the Winchester area. Bessie Stine added a few comments which had been given on the life of William Sayers.

Marvin also spoke about getting the church pews repaired. One had broken the previous Sunday during services and caused some confusion. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Kenneth Pickering suggested a change in time of service for the summer months; no intermission allowing for church services to start at 10:00 instead of 10:20. Comments were made from members both for and against such a change.

A letter was read from members of the Golden Band Class on a plan to have a committee appointed to work with the Trustees to see to upkeep of buildings and property. It was suggested that five members be appointed; one from each of the organized classes and one from the Women's Society. This plan was approved by Both Trustees and the Meeting in general.

Deaths:

Martin Coats and his wife Ada, fatally injured in an automobile accident, May 29, 1948.

Marriages:

Meriam Miller and Reginald Elliott, May 29, 1948.

Meriam Hollingsworth to Jim Hollingsworth, Jr. on May 29, 1948.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 7th month, 4th day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

7th Month, 4th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 7th month, 4th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 46.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for June was 122 3/4 in the morning services and 106 1/4 in the evening.

Since it is the time of year for the Nominating Committee of the standing committees to make their appointments, Bessie Stine was

appointed from the Monthly Meeting with one each from the organized classes and the Junior Department.

The Ministry & Counsel appointments from the Monthly Meeting were (1) Stella Moore and (2) Evelyn Cox and (3) Guy Friar. They are to meet with Hubert Pingry and Grace Warren.

Delbert Durbin and his family requested membership in our Meeting which was approved. The committee appointed to call on them is Max and Violet Bashia and Riley and Frances Thornburg.

Lula Parker died June 11, 1948.

It was suggested that the Recording Clerk send out cards to various committees for yearly reports, to be in for the August Meeting.
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Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

8th Month, 1st Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 8th month, 1st day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 53.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Max Bashia reported the calling committee had called on Delbert Durbin and family, the call being appreciated by the new members.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for July was 139 1/2 in the morning and at the Union Service there were 150.

Reports were given for the year for the following classes and committees:

Don Clevenger (written): Sunday School financial
Vernon Overman (oral): an approximate report of what
the budget for the year has been
Helen Thornhill (written): Funeral Committee
Irene Thornburg (written): Secretary's report of
Women's Society
Frances Thornburg (written): Treasurer's report of
Women's Society
Hubert Pingry (oral): Social Committee
Riley Thornburg (written): Music Committee
Charles Cates (written): Peace and Service Committee

Alice Moore (written): Temperance Committee
Guy Friar (written): Stewardship Committee
Max Bashia (oral): Bible School - average attendance
increased from 145 in 1947 to 147.7 in 1948 (year
ending June 30)
Irene Chamness (written): Quaker Girls
Mildred Johnston (written): William Penn
Kathleen Keever (written): Golden Band
Marvin Thornburg (written): Trustees
Caroline Vaupel (written): Missionary Committee
Charles Cates (written): sponsors for Young People
Committee
Bessie Stine (written): Nominating Committee

The report of the Nominating Committee was approved by the Meeting.

Hubert Pingry of the Committee on Ministry & Counsel recommended for Elders: Estella Moore for Dona Fixel, Lydia Cranor for Ada Coats, Donald Gilpin for Martin Coats, and Bessie Stine for Mary Chenoweth. These recommendations were approved by the Meeting.

Kenneth Pickering (written): as Minister

A motion to set the Sunday School year up to September 1, the same as Monthly Meeting, was made and it was approved.

A letter concerning money of the Quarterly Meeting from {Opal?} Thornburg was read by Esther Overman. It was approved for Stella Mason to keep the original copy and a copy be made for the Monthly Meeting and the Quarterly Meeting. {handwritten notation in left margin:} copied

The provisions of the will of Mary Lamm were read to the Meeting.

Quarterly Meeting delegates are Vernon Overman, Estella Moore, Lloyd Keys, Bessie Stine, and Grace Keys.

Yearly Meeting delegates are Kenneth Pickering with alternate Esther Bright.

A daughter, Teresa Kay, on July 22, 1948, born to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gene Thornburg was reported.

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There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 9th month, 5th day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

9th Month, 5th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 9th month, 5th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 49.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly and yearly reports were read and approved.

The report of the Auditing Committee was given and approved.

Marvin Thornburg reported that the work to be done on the church included the painting of the inside of the church, the painting and cleaning of the beams, the painting of the outside woodwork of the church, parsonage, and garage including the caulking that needs to be done. The parsonage furnace is to be changed from steam to hot water. Mike Cover made a proposition on the change at about \$875 and the painting bid was \$950. The approval was unanimous for this plan to be carried out.

A letter with a request for transfer of membership was read from Inez Napier with the request being granted and to be accompanied by a letter of appreciation for her service and friendship.

Estella Moore gave a report of the Quarterly Meeting. The theme of the meeting was "Have we accomplished anything the last year?" Are we peddlers or commissioners of God's work? Fred Smith told how the Nazarenes had their goals high and they would meet it. All seemed to have a concern for the Monthly and Quarterly Meetings. If everyone in the room would make a pledge to be more evangelistic - what would be the result? Rev. Robert Jones gave the sermon of the day. He said the purpose of the Monthly, Quarterly, and Yearly Meetings would be trying to help God create enough people in our town or community to save it. Lillian Chant gave a missionary report. Bessie Stine mentioned that Laura Fetters said as she went about from church to church that the appearance of the church had so much to do with the atmosphere in the church.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for August was 92 and the year's average per month {was} 131 with a total of 1,573 for the year.

The death of Roger Phistner on August 19, 1948 and the death of Eva E. Lasley on August 23, 1948 were reported.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 10th month, 3rd day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

10th Month, 3rd Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 10th month, 3rd day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 47.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for September was 121 3/4 for morning worship and 49 for the evening services.

A letter from Friendsville Academy was read by the Clerk in which they stated that if they were to continue to instill principals of Christian living, Friends everywhere must be concerned.

Ministry & Counsel presented for membership the names of Richard Rinehart, Mary Rinehart, Virginia Rinehart, Richard Rinehart, Jr., Grady Lee Evans, Jr., Virginia Evans, Maxine Kritsch and Bennie Kritsch. The names were approved by the Meeting. Committees appointed to call on them are as follows: Max and Violet Bashia, Gordon and Eloise Keys to call on the Rinehart family; Donald and Viva Gilpin and William and Florence Comer to call on Grady Evans, Jr. and Virginia Evans; Fred and Stella Moore and two more picked by Fred and Stella to call on Maxine and Benny Kritsch.

Deaths reported were Harry Carper on September 26, 1948 and Jerry Lee Carper, son of William Carper, whose birth and death both occurred on September 9, 1948. Born to Walter and Pauline Mills on September 29, 1948, a son, Kenneth Lee.

Stella Brown, Garnet Jessup and daughters Virginia and Mary June, who have moved away, requested their membership be transferred to other churches.

Kenneth Pickering, who was the appointed delegate to Yearly Meeting, gave a short and concise report of the sessions. He especially commented on the fact there were 7 prospective ministers, the most in several years. Also that because all reports were printed in one booklet and handed out to be read, instead of taking the time to read them from the desk, there was more time for comments and ideas from the floor.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 11th month, 7th day, 1948.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk

Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

11th Month, 7th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 11th month, 7th day, 1948 at the usual hour.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and corrected.

Committees to call on new members gave reports as follows:

Donald and Viva Gilpin reported called on Grady Evans, Jr. and Virginia Evans.

Fred and Stella Moore and committee reported called on Maxine and Benny Kritsch.

No report from Max and Violet Bashia and Gordon and Eloise Keys who were to call on the Rinehart family and they were asked to report at the next Monthly Meeting.

The death report was made of the infant son of Rodger and Susie Green. The child was born November 3 and died November 5, 1948.

Ministry & Counsel presented for membership Wilma Key and Rodney Wayne Welch, children of Margaret Welch.

Letters of transfer of membership were read from the following people: Clifford Tuttle from Friends Meeting at Cowan, Elizabeth Tuttle from Christian Church at Cowan, and Grace Snodgrass from Indianapolis. Bonnie Copenhaver requested membership. The names were approved by the Meeting.

Guy and Gertrude Friar were appointed to call on the Tuttle's and were to choose their assistants.

Hubert and Ruth Pingry and Lloyd and Grace Keys were appointed to call on Grace Snodgrass, and Riley and Frances Thornburg were to choose assistants and call on Bonnie Copenhaver.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

The report of Inez Napier's membership acceptance from White Water Monthly Meeting was read.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were appointed as follows: Grace Warren, Lloyd and Grace Keys, Mary Kemp, and Leo Keys.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet the 12th month, 5th day, 1948.

Stella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk

Ida Bailey, Recording Clerk pro tem

12th Month, 5th Day, 1948

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 12th month, 5th day, 1948 at the usual hour with an attendance of 50.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for November as follows: morning, 131 3/4, evening 109.

An increase in the Pastor's salary to \$60 a week was approved and is to be retroactive to September 1, 1948.

Ed Austin comes to this Meeting by letter from the Methodist Church, Winchester. His membership was approved and a committee was appointed to call on him as follows: Orval and Nellie Pickett and Bertha Heaston.

The committees reported as having called on the following new members: Elizabeth and Clifford Tuttle and Grace Snodgrass. The committee had not yet called on Bonnie Copenhaver. The committee appointed to call on the Rinehart family did so.

A son, David Jean, born October 27, 1948, to Jean Richard Cox.

Kenneth Pickering reported the formation of an organization for Brotherhood Meetings.

Stella Moore gave a very interesting report of the Quarterly Meeting.

A letter was read from the Friends Committee on National Legislation wanting to know if our contribution of last year was to be on a yearly basis. There is need of more money than ever before "to help keep before Congress and the American people the idea that peace is obtainable other than by war, violence and the garrisoned state." The Meeting approved sending whatever sum is obtained by voluntary contribution and not to make it a certain amount. It was suggested a letter be sent from the Monthly Meeting voicing our spiritual support.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 1st month, 2nd day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

1st Month, 2nd Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 1st month, 2nd day, 1949 at the usual hour with an attendance of 50.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were corrected and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for December as follows: morning service 110 1/4, evening service 95.

The committee appointed to call on Bonnie Copenhaver reported their call having been made. The committee to call on Ed Austin was held over.

A request was made for Marcelyn Vaupel to become an associate member. A letter was received from First Presbyterian Church at Lancaster, Ohio, requesting membership be transferred to them, of Savilla Hirshfield and her daughter, Miss Barbara Hirshfield.

Letters were read from John Compton and the Friends Committee on Internal Relations. The last named letter asked for continuation of financial help for the Friends Committee on National Legislation.

To Charlene and Gilbert Howell was born a girl, Phyllis Ann, on December 30, 1948, and to Caroline and Henry Vaupel, a girl, Marcelyn, on December 20, 1948. The death of Leila Mendenhall occurred December 29, 1948.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 2nd month, 2nd day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

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2nd Month, 6th Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 2nd month, 6th day, 1949 at the usual hour with an attendance of 51.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were corrected and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

The committee appointed to call on Ed Austin reported having made the call.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for January morning service 128 2/5 and evening 50 1/5.

Quarterly Meeting delegates chosen were Elizabeth Tuttle, Ora Keys, Florence Hinshaw, Nellie Pickett, and Lloyd Keys.

Esther Overman read the notices concerning the Peace conferences, the closest being at Van Wert, {Ohio?}.

Grace Warren reported the committee Ministry & Counsel and Monthly Meeting had chosen Joe Harris to fill out the unexpired time of Hubert Pingry as an Elder. This choice was approved.

A letter concerning the need for mission support from Lillian Chant was read. Winchester apportionment for 1948-1949 is \$350 the year ending March 31.

Births:

William and Odette Thornhill, a daughter, Margaret Madeline, January 5, 1949.
Donald and Viva Gilpin, a son.
Janice (McCamish) Jerling, {a} baby.

Deaths:

Hubert Pingry, January 15, 1949.
William Thornhill, February 1, 1949.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 3rd month, 6th day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

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3rd Month, 6th Day, 1949

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The Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House 3rd month, 6th day, 1949 at the usual hour with an attendance of 34.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were corrected and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for February for morning as 136 1/2 and evening 49 1/2.

Elizabeth Tuttle gave a report of the Quarterly Meeting. She mentioned Mildred White's talk was quite interesting and should have been heard by more people as it was instructive as to what is being done in the mission fields and since we can't go personally our money can.

The Meeting thanked Philip Kabel for his work in clearing the title to the Meeting House.

Marvin Thornburg mentioned the pictures given by Philip Kabel which are of interest to Friends.

Births: Howard and Wilsie Thornburg, a son, February 12, 1949, Dan Dale.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 4th month, 3rd day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Caroline Vaupel, Asst. Recording Clerk

4th Month, 3rd Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 4th month, 3rd day, 1949 at the usual hour with an attendance of 46.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for March morning services, 127 1/4. There were no Sunday evening services during the month.

The Ministry & Counsel presented the following names for full membership:

Max and June Phelps (request), {committee to call:} Mildred and Harold Johnston and Walter and Pauline Mills
May Cook (by letter), {committee to call:} Guy and Gertrude Friar
Leland and Alberta Shockley, {committee to call:} Vernon and

Esther Overman

Wendell, Mabel, Rowena and Austin Cox (letters), {committee to call:} Lloyd and Grace Keys

Lester and Virginia Horner (letter), {committee to call:} Gordon and Eloise Keys

Nell Shade (letter), {committee to call:} Will and Daisy Wysong

Reginald Elliott (letter), {committee to call:} Delight and

Marlin Jones

Associate Members:

Linda Cox

James Grant Jerling

Phyllis Ann Howell

Kenneth Mills

Ann Stiverson

Laverne Kay Gilpin

The Meeting approved transfer of membership of Elizabeth Kimmel Potter to High Street Methodist Church, Muncie, Indiana.

The Ministry & Counsel recommended that 15 more Disciplines be purchased to be given to new members, and that Kenneth Pickering be paid for six copies he already had purchased.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 5th month, 1st day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk

Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

5th Month, 1st Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 5th month, 1st day, 1949, at the usual hour with an attendance of 54.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship service during April was 188 1/2; for evening 289 1/4.

The committees appointed to call on new members were named as follows:

Mildred and Harold Johnston,

Pauline and Walter Mills:

Max and June Phelps

Guy and Gertrude Friar:

May Cook

Vernon and Esther Overman, Kenneth and Joyce Overman:	Leland and Alberta Shockley
Lloyd and Grace Keys, Stella Mason:	Wendell, Mabel, Rowena, and Austin Cox
Gordon and Eloise Keys:	Lester and Virginia Horner
Will and Daisy Wysong, John and Bessie Stine:	Nell Shade
Marlin and Delight Jones, Frances and Riley Thornburg:	Reginald Elliott

Delegates for Quarterly Meeting to be held in Muncie, the 3rd Saturday in May, were named as follows: Marvin and Irene Thornburg, Evelyn and Grace Cox, and Bertha Heaston.

Delegates appointed to Quarterly Meeting Nominating Committee are as follows: Clifford Tuttle and Stella Moore.

Mary Robinson Hill requested a transfer of membership to the First Christian Church in South Bend. The Meeting approved this transfer.

Mention was made of a new movie which was purchased by the Fellowship Group of the Winchester Meeting, for use by any church group.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 6th month, 5th day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

6th Month, 5th Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 6th month, 5th day, 1949, at the usual hour with an attendance of 42.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship service during May was 139; for evening 49.

The Ministry & Counsel brought up the name of Ella Magner who wished to have her membership transferred to Winchester Friends from Lynn

Friends. It was approved by this Meeting and the committee appointed to call on her was Ruth Pingry, Kenneth and Ruthanna Pickering.

After considerable discussion, the Meeting voted to take up their services one hour earlier on Sunday, beginning with the following Sunday.

The Ministry & Counsel also brought up the matter of who should take care of ordering films for the new movie machine. They recommended that the sponsors for Young People Committee take charge of this work, and it was approved by the Meeting.

Marvin Thornburg brought a concise report from the Quarterly Meeting which was held in Muncie.

The death of Eva Puckett on May 7, 1949 was reported.

Frances Parker Keys requested that her membership be transferred to Jericho. This transfer was approved.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet again 7th month, 3rd day, 1949.

Stella Moore, Presiding Clerk pro tem
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

7th Month, 3rd Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 7th month, 3rd day, 1949 at the usual hour with an attendance of 33.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's monthly report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship was 111 and evening 107.

The committee appointed to call on Ella Magner reported having made the call. Her death followed soon on June 16, 1949, but she knew she had been made a member before her death. Emily Hill's death also occurred on June 16, 1949.

Stella Mason was not present as she was recuperating from a foot operation.

It was suggested that two be appointed to the Nominating Committee from Monthly Meeting. This suggestion was approved and Stella Moore

and Ruthanna Pickering were appointed. This Nominating Committee is to fill the expired terms of Elders.

Kenneth Boomer suggested, as we have no way to finance movie films, we have a few mite boxes to keep at home and to put our loose change in. The Meeting approved this suggestion. It was also suggested the movie should be used by all church organizations.

Stella Moore, Asst. Presiding Clerk
Marvin Thornburg, Recording Clerk pro tem

8th Month, 19th Day, 1949

Monthly Meeting was not held the usual time of first Sunday morning in the month, because of a ban on public meetings as a result of a polio epidemic, but was called for Friday night, August 19, 1949.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship was 91 $\frac{2}{5}$ and for evening was 33 $\frac{3}{4}$. The prevalence of polio cut down on the attendance.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting, to be held the next day, were appointed as follows: Irene Thornburg, Grace Warren, Florence Hinshaw, Marvin Thornburg, and Lloyd Keys.

Representatives from the following classes and organizations were appointed as follows to be on the Nominating Committee for the Yearbook.

Monthly Meeting	Esther Bright
Women's Society	Ruth Pingry
Quaker Girls	Pauline Keener
William Penn	Mildred Johnston
Oscar Puckett	Stella Moore {handwritten} (Mason)
Junior Department	Helen Boomer
Golden Band	Lena Bales

{handwritten in left margin above:} Met August 25, 1949 at 6:30 p.m.
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This being the month for the yearly report from the different organizations and classes, the following presented reports:

Music Committee	Riley Thornburg (written)
Missionary Committee	Caroline Vaupel (written)
Young People's Report	Kenneth Boomer (written)
Quaker Girls	Pauline Keener (written)
Trustees Report	Marvin Thornburg (written)

Ushers Report
Statistical Report
Press Committee

Orval Pickett (written)
Frances Thornburg (written)
Elizabeth Cates (written)

The Nominating Committee for Ministry & Counsel reported the Elders were reappointed for the coming year.

Marvin Thornburg was appointed delegate to Yearly Meeting and Esther Bright as alternate.

Marvin Thornburg said he spoke to the Seagraves brothers about painting the trim around the roof of the church building.

The deaths of William Lucas occurred July 6, 1949, and of Mattie Simmons Kever on July 28, 1949.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet First Sunday in September.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

9th Month, 4th Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 9th month, 4th day, 1949, at the usual hour.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's reports, monthly and yearly, were read and approved, with an expression of appreciation to Stella Mason for her fine work.

Orval Pickett made his attendance report. There were no services the first two Sundays in the month of August because of the polio epidemic and the last two Sundays averaged 65 1/2.

Helen Thornhill gave an oral report of the Funeral Committee for the past year; written reports from the Women's Society, the Trustees, and the Stewardship Committee were given.

Irene Thornburg gave a good report of the Quarterly Meeting which was held in Winchester.

The Yearly Report of the Nominating Committee, which named the members of the standing committees, was given and approved. (for the coming year)

The death of Bessie Davis occurred August 24, 1949.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 10th month, 2nd day, 1949.

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10th Month, 2nd Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 10th month, 2nd day, 1949, at the usual hour with an attendance of 37.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship was 106 1/2 and for evening 43.

A report was given on the Sunday School officers for the coming year. (Written and filed)

A request for transfer of membership of Clifford Peacock to the Friends Meeting in Muncie was made and approved.

The death of George Keller occurred on September 13, 1949. The marriage of Rowena Cox to Elvin Shaffer took place.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 11th month, 6th day, 1949.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
Esther Bright, Recording Clerk

11th Month, 6th Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 11th month, 6th day, 1949, at the usual hour with an attendance of 47.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship was 122 3/5 and for evening 58 1/2.

The Meeting approved the memberships of Samuel and Edna Hinshaw and a

committee was appointed to call on them, consisting of Clifford and Elizabeth Tuttle and Lee and Bertha Briner.

A baby, Anita Sue, was born to Gordon and Eloise Keys October 11, 1949.

Florence Hinshaw, reporting for Ministry & Counsel, asked that the basement be cleaned and that steps to the kitchen entrance be made. Comments urging that this be done, were made by Max Bashia (William Penn Class and Men's Fellowship), Stella Moore (House Committee) to see that the basement is fixed right, and Philip Kabel suggesting Otis Williams to look over the needs of the basement. Riley Thornburg spoke also in favor of getting an expert. Max suggested a committee be appointed to investigate. This was approved and a committee consisting of Verl Anderson, Otis Williams, Riley Thornburg, Ralph Fisher and Con Clevenger was appointed.

Delegates to Quarterly Meeting were appointed as follows: Bertha Heaston, Helen Thornhill, Ida Bailey, Bessie Stine, Nell Shade, and Charles Cates.

The Meeting approved the suggestion that choir practice be extended to 8:00 and that prayer meeting begin at 8:00, instead of 7:30. This was to allow for more time for special music, particularly for our Christmas Cantata.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 12th month, 4th day, 1949.

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12th Month, 4th Day, 1949

Winchester Monthly Meeting of Friends was held in the Friends Meeting House, 12th month, 4th day, 1949, at the usual hour with an attendance of 49.

The opening minute was read after which the minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Orval Pickett reported the average attendance for morning worship was 141 1/4, for evening 69 1/4 and for the early Thanksgiving morning union service, 212.

The committee appointed to call on Samuel and Edna Hinshaw reported the call made.

Riley Thornburg gave the report for the committee appointed to look after repair work to be done in the basement. He said it was planned to start work in the spring.

The report was read from the Auditing Committee and was accepted with approval.

An excellent report of the Quarterly Meeting was given by Bessie Stine. She said that Kenneth Pickering, who delivered the message, gave a concern over the loss of zeal of the Winchester Quarterly Meeting; a Meeting which has been in existence for 75 years, the first Meeting being held over Magee Hardware Store. Year by year the orthodox church has shrunk. Kenneth urged that everyone connected with the Meeting should get under the load of the Meeting. There were 58 out of 80 representatives present at the Quarterly Meeting. During the business meeting a concern was expressed for a full time spiritual advisor for White's Institute. December 15th was mentioned as visiting day for the Winchester Quarterly Meeting and it was urged by letter from White's that 2 delegates or representatives be sent from our Meeting and as many others as wished to come. The Clerk was instructed to report the number who wished to attend, by letter, to White's so they would be prepared. The two delegates appointed were Marvin Rockhill and Robert Morris.

A letter was read from Murray Johnson, pastor at Marian, in regard to change of time for the Yearly Meeting. After discussion, it was approved by our Meeting to leave the time as it has been; the 3rd week in September.

There being no further business, the Meeting adjourned to meet 1st month, 1st day, 1950.

Esther Overman, Presiding Clerk
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