At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Fifth Month 10, 1964.

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations. The Sixth Query was read and considered.

John Keddy gave a report of the meeting of the Co-operating Committee at Warrington, Pennsylvania, which he had attended. He also gave an account of the Retreat which had been held by the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Council Committee. Paul Goulding had been present at this Retreat and had taken an active part. There was discussion of the Letters of Paul and the Book of John, and a Dialogue of Spiritual Birth and Growth.

There were no reports from the Peace Committee and the Social Order Committee.

The Overseers reported that they had received a list of Friends living in Virginia, several of whom live in Alexandria. There was discussion as to what should be done with this list, and it was decided

1. To take action
2. To check with Florida Avenue Meeting to see what they are doing with this list.
3. To draft and send a letter to those Friends located near Woodlawn.

The matter of aid for Mary Stevens has been considered by the Finance and Property Committee. They have set aside some money to be used now, and next year plan to set aside funds for Friends in Need. The Meeting was told of two letters, one from Anne Forsythe to Mary Stevens, and one from Mary Stevens in reply. This matter seems to have been handled very satisfactorily.

The Overseers reported that there is $50.00 available for Camps and Conferences for Young Friends this year.

The Meeting was advised of three appeals for aid, one from Arthur Morgan for work in India, one for Aged Friends, and one for International Affairs, and it was decided that the Trustees should consider these when preparing next year's budget.

As representatives to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting the following representatives were named:

Josephine T. Howard
Sara B. Kearney
Mary W. Cox

John L. Keddy
Harriet R. Sutton

There being no further business the meeting was concluded, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens June 14, 1964.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 10th Month 11, 1964.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation. The twelfth query was read, and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports on Hopewell Quarterly Meeting were given. It was reported that all of our representatives had been in attendance.

There was much discussion of the financial situation of the Yearly Meeting, which had been discussed at a called meeting held at Goose Creek Meeting House. Anne MacKinney was made a member of the Quarterly Meeting Finance Committee.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel.

The Peace Committee reported that a bus with some of the Hiroshima sufferers had been in Washington, and some of our members had met with them. The Peace Committee has been considering racial and labor conflicts.

The Joint Social Order Committee reported a meeting held at which they discussed their annual report.

The Social Service Committee reported a meeting held. They made the following appropriations:

- Summer Camp for Needy Children $35.00
- Friendship House 25.00
- Northwest House 20.00
- Barney Neighborhood House 20.00
- Kenya 25.00
- Clothing Relief 20.00

As representatives to Yearly Meeting the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard

Harriet R. Sutton

Bertha S. Buckman

James M. Winder

Anne Winder was appointed a representative to the Junior Yearly Meeting.

As representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard

Mary W. Cox

Bertha S. Buckman

Ernest Gooden was appointed to serve as our Trustee for Camp Catoctin.

It was reported that the Winders and the Arnolds had spent a weekend working at Camp Catoctin.

The Meeting decided not to hold monthly meetings during the summer months, unless need arise, in which case the Clerk was authorized to call a meeting.
There being no further business the meeting adjourned, to meet as way opens
October 11, 1964.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 10th Month 11, 1964.

The selection from the Discipline on Principles and Application was read. The Third Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all of our representatives had been in attendance at Yearly Meeting. Reports of Yearly Meeting were given by those attending.

It was reported that all our representatives had been in attendance at Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting. This was reported to have been an unusually good Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel was assigned a questionnaire from the Friends General Conference, with the request that they prepare an answer.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Social Order Committee had no report.

The Property Committee presented a bill for work at Woodlawn. It reported that next year expenses will be greater, as they plan to paint the building and do other necessary work. It was decided to ask the Trustees to consider this when preparing the budget for next year.

Ernest Goden reported for Camp Catactin that next year it is planned to have four consecutive weeks of camping for children. James Winder also reported regarding the Camp. The Infirmary is to be completed. A scholarship fund is to be set up by the Yearly Meeting. The Trustees plan to do some building next year. Mildred Keddy spoke of the experiences of a Junior Councillor at Camp Catactin, and of her enthusiasm for the Camp and the people she had met there.

A minute from the Quarterly Meeting was read concerning the Quarterly Meeting organization and the appointments to Quarterly Meeting Finance and Nominating Committees.

James Winder expressed appreciation for the fund for Camps and Conferences which had been awarded to the Winder children this year.

The meeting then concluded, after a period of silence, to meet, as way opens, November 8, 1964.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Eleventh Month 8, 1964.

The Reading from the Discipline was on Religious Fellowship. The Seventh Query was read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

There were no reports from the Peace Committee, the Social Order Committee, the Property Committee and the Social Service Committee.

A letter was read from the Yearly Meeting enclosing the report of the Committee of Fourteen, with the request that this be considered by the Monthly Meeting, and that a reply regarding it be made by the end of February, giving criticisms, comments and suggestions for the guidance of the Committee of Fourteen in working further. It was decided to ask the Yearly Meeting to send us fifteen copies of this paper, in order that it might be studied by our members.

The Meeting was informed of the program for Quarterly Meeting, and the following representatives were appointed:

Harriet R. Sutton                John L. Keddy
Josephine T. Howard             Bertha S. Buckman

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that they had appointed John L. Keddy and Arthur W. Hummel to represent them at Quarterly Meeting.

John L. Keddy reported for Ministry and Counsel that he had studied the questionnaire sent out by Friends General Conference, and several of the questions asked were discussed by the Monthly Meeting. It was decided that John Keddy should prepare a tentative answer to this questionnaire, and bring it back to the Monthly Meeting for approval next month.

The death of Ellen M. Branson on was announced.

It was announced that the Trustees would meet at 6:45 on December 13, 1964 to prepare a budget for 1965 and for other business.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as way opens December 13, 1964.

Clerk.
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Twelfth Month 13, 1964.

The reading from the Discipline was on Human Relations.
The 9th Query was read and considered.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that two of our representatives were in attendance at the November Quarterly Meeting. Reports of the Quarterly Meeting were given by the representatives and others. All agreed that it had been an unusually good Quarterly Meeting.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that they had prepared a draft of the letter to the Friends General Conference, in response to the questionnaire sent us. This draft was read to the Meeting, and several suggestions were made regarding it. The Meeting authorized sending this letter, with the suggested additions and changes to the General Conference. The Meeting expressed its appreciation of the tremendous amount of work which had been done by John L. Keddy in preparing this excellent and comprehensive letter.

The Trustees reported a meeting held at which they had approved a budget for 1965. This budget has been slightly increased over the budget of 1964. The Trustees recommended that the same Trustees serve during 1965 as in 1964. The Meeting approved this report.

A letter from John Richard and Carolyn Buckman De Wilde asked that their son, John Horace De Wilde be enrolled as a birthright member of this Meeting. The Meeting approved.

The Meeting then adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens January 10, 1965.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 3rd Month 11th, 1965.

The reading from the Discipline on Civic Relations and the 11th Query were read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that the meeting of January and February had been unable to be held due to bad weather.

It was reported that Josephine T. Howard and Bertha S. Buckman had been in attendance at the February Quarterly Meeting. Reports of the Quarterly Meetings Committee of Ministry and Counsel showed it to have been an unusually good meeting. Paul Goulding have a very interesting talk, and the discussion that followed was very worth-while. The business meeting in the afternoon was followed by a Choral Reading by a class from Adelphi Meeting which attracted much attention.

Ernest Gooden reported for the Committee of Ministry and Counsel that he had attended a conference on the Spiritual Needs of our Meeting and Committees on March 12 and 13 here in Washington.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Social Order Committee reported that a joint meeting is being planned for the Peace and Social Order Committees. The Treasurer's report for the Social Order Committee for 1964 was given.

The Property Committee reported that work is being done on the Woodlawn Property and more is anticipated. The Meeting approved this report.

The Trustees reported that they had met and had agreed to carry over the same officers as last year. The Meeting approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Edna Stone. The Meeting approved this report.

It was reported that Elsie Palmer Brown, one of our members, had died on January 21, 1965. Suitable services were held at Goose Creek Meeting House. The question of a memorial for Elsie Palmer Brown was discussed and the Meeting approved of preparing such a memorial. Christine C. Buckman was asked to prepare such a memorial and present it at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as usual opens April 11, 1965.

Clerk

The selection from the Discipline on Prayer and Divine Relationship was read. The Second Query was read and considered.

Mildred Keddy reported on the visit she and John Keddy had paid to Mary Stevens in Florida, and told of the new meeting house which is being built at Daytona Beach.

John Keddy spoke of the desirability of holding meetings in Alexandria, and suggested that we might obtain the use of the Alexandria Room in the Alexandria Library for holding meetings. The Clerk was directed to address a letter to the Trustees of the Alexandria Library Association, asking permission to meet for religious services in the Alexandria Library on Sunday mornings, except for the first Sunday of the month, when meetings will be held at Woodlawn. The Meeting approved. It was approved that a letter be circulated to all Friends and attenders east of the Shirley Highway and south as far as Woodbridge advising them of this proposed meeting. The suggestion was made that we postpone starting such a meeting until the fall, as many people will be on vacation during the summer.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Social Order Committee reported that $10.00 had been sent to the Urban Renewal League for the Congressional Breakfast to be held for Home Rule for the District of Columbia.

The report of the Property Committee was given. The question of putting electricity into the building at Woodlawn was again discussed, and the Meeting asked that the Committee complete its investigations regarding putting electricity into Woodlawn.

The Assistant Treasurer reported that he would be sending out an assessment letter soon.

Ernest Goden explained that the Yearly Meeting is obtaining a blanket bond which will cover all individuals handling meeting funds, both in the Yearly Meeting and in the Monthly Meetings.

A memorial minute for Elsie Palmer Brown was read to the meeting, which approved it, and directed that it be submitted to the Friends Meeting of Washington for its approval, and then sent to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting for its endorsement.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as way opens on May 9, 1965.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 5th Month 9, 1965.

The selection from the Discipline on Family Relations and Scriptures, and the 6th Query were read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

John L. Keddy gave a report for the Committee of Ministry and Counsel, saying that the Alexandria Library Trustees had refused to allow the use of the Library for Meeting purposes. A discussion followed regarding the matter of trying to hold a meeting in Alexandria. It was decided to appoint Josephine T. Howard to take the place of Anne McKinney on the committee appointed last year to investigate the possibility of holding such a meeting, and this committee was asked to investigate further. It was approved that we attempt to start this meeting in the fall.

There were no reports from the Peace Committee or the Social Order Committee.

The matter of putting electricity into Woodlawn was again discussed. It was reported that the Walter Davis Company had bid $530.00 without fixtures. The Property Committee was asked to obtain further bids.

As representatives to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed.

Josephine T. Howard
Harriet R. Sutton
James J. Winder.

Ernest Gooden was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee of the Quarterly Meeting, and J. Austin Stone to serve on the Finance Committee.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as way opens June 13, 1965.

Clerk

The selection from the Discipline on Peace and Cooperation, and the 12th Query were read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all our representatives had been in attendance at Hopewell Quarterly Meeting. Reports of this Quarterly Meeting were given by the representatives.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel, from the Peace Committee or from the Joint Social Order Committee.

The Property Committee reported that they had painted Woodlawn Meeting House and repaired the roof. They had received four estimates on wiring the Meeting House. It was thought that the building might be insulated for approximately $900.00, and might be wired for about $550.00. The Meeting authorized the Property Committee to accept a definite offer if within reason.

A letter from Pendle Hill was read, announcing that the Annual Meeting Workers Institute would be held September 17-19.

As representatives to Yearly Meeting the following were appointed:
Josephine T. Howard
Harriet R. Sutton
Ernest Goden.

As representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed:
James J. Winder
Jean Winder
Josephine T. Howard
Harriet R. Sutton
John L. Keddy
Mildred Keddy

Ernest Goden was appointed to serve as our Trustee on Camp Catoctin for the coming year.

It was decided that the money set aside for Camps and Conferences be given to Anne Winder for two weeks at Camp Catoctin.

The Meeting decided to adjourn for the Summer months as in other years.

After a period of silence the Meeting adjourned to meet as way opens on October 10, 1965.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., 10th Month 10th, 1965.

The Reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all our representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting had been in attendance. The representatives and others reported on the Quarterly Meeting, which had been quite a good one.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported on the progress they had made with regard to holding weekly meetings of Alexandria Monthly Meeting at Woodlawn. They asked whether the Committee of Ministry and Counsel or the Committee of overseers should be responsible for making arrangements. After much discussion it was decided that the Committee of Three appointed to work on this matter should be given authority to work out public relations. It was further decided that no money should be spent without first consulting the Monthly Meeting.

As of November 7, 1965, weekly meetings will be held at Woodlawn.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Joint Social Order Committee had no report.

The Property Committee reported that they had accepted an estimate for electrifying and insulating Woodlawn of $1,329.00.

It was reported that the Annual A.F.S.C. Meetings will be held in Philadelphia October 29 and 30, and our members are urged to attend.

It was reported that our Yearly Meeting Quota for next year will be $1,650.00. There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens November 14, 1965.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., 11th Month 14, 1965.

After a period of silence the selection from the Discipline on Religious Fellowship was read. The 7th Query was read and considered.

It was reported that the Peace Committee had met and was working hard, but there was nothing to report.

There was no report from the Joint Social Order Committee.

John Keddy reported that he had sent out 55 letter to individuals, telling them that meeting would be held at Woodlawn every week and that he had sent press releases to the papers. A report was given on the meeting held at Woodlawn that morning.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel had appointed John L. Keddy and Ernest Gooden to be its representatives at the Ministry and Counsel Session of Potomac Quarterly Meeting to be held on November 20, 1965.

There was no report from the Property Committee.

The Nominating Committee was reminded that a report from them should be received at the December meeting.

A minute was read from the North Fairfield Maine Monthly Meeting, greeting all Friends and commending to us their friend Grace M. Frost. This minute was received with appreciation.

It was reported that a Trustees Meeting will be held on December 12, at 6:45 P.M. to consider the budget for 1966 and for any other business that may need attention.

As representatives to Potomac Quarterly Meeting, the following were appointed:

John L. Keddy

Harriet R. Sutton.

As there was no further business to come before the meeting, it was adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as soon as the year opens December 12, 1965.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Twelfth Month 12, 1965.

The reading from the Discipline on Human Relations, Vocations and Voluntary Service was followed by the 9th Query.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Grace Frost, a member of Fairfield Monthly Meeting, Maine was welcomed.

Reports on the Quarterly Meeting held in Washington on November 20, 1965 were given. The Committee of Ministry and Counsel met, with Gary Singleton giving a digest of "The Meaning of Membership" by Thomas Bodine. John Keddy gave a full report of the discussion at that meeting. At the afternoon meeting Jennie Mustapha and Luanna Bowles spoke informally and delightfully of their work abroad.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel spoke of the meeting at Woodlawn which has been held every week since November 1. It was suggested that the Committee send Christmas cards to those who have attended. The meeting approved the suggestion.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Property Committee reported that they had spent a total of $2,254.97 at Woodlawn this year, of which $1,329.00 was electricity, $1,455.34 was lighting fixtures, and $780.63 care of grounds, paint, and janitor's fee. The meeting approved the report.

There was no report from the Joint Social Service Committee.

The Social Service Committee presented its report, which was approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Mildred Keddy.

The Meeting approved the report with appreciation.

The Trustees presented the budget for the coming year. Our Yearly Meeting Quota has been increased by $150.00. Otherwise the budget is the same as last year. They also reported that they felt there should be no change in the membership of the Board of Trustees. The Meeting approved this report.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, it was adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens January 9, 1966.
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., First Month 9, 1966.

The reading from the Discipline on Business and Property and the tenth query were read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
The report of Ministry and Counsel was given. They reported sending out Christmas cards to persons who had been unable to attend meeting at Woodlawn.

The Peace Committee reported that they were working hard.
The Property Committee reported that the electricity at Woodlawn is now being used, and is heating the meeting house satisfactorily.
The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting to organize, and had appointed the same officers as last year.

It was reported that J. Roland Ballinger, a former member, now living in Philadelphia, has sent a check for $2.00 to pay for receiving the News Letter.

Mildred Keddy reported that Mary Stevens has had a fall and has been hospitalized, but is improving.

There was some discussion of the report on the State of the Meeting which should be prepared by the April Monthly Meeting, so that it may be forwarded to the May Quarterly Meeting.

It was reported that Quarterly Meeting will be held at Florida Avenue Meeting House on February 19, 1966, with Adelphi Meeting as host.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it adjourned, to meet as way opens February 13, 1966.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., Second Month 13th, 1966.

The reading from the Discipline was on Silent Worship and Ministry. The first query was read and considered.
The Minutes of the last meeting were read.
There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel.
The Peace Committee had no report.
The Joint Social Order Committee had held no meeting since our last meeting.

The Property Committee reported that the snow had finally melted around Woodlawn, and that the lights and heating were working properly. They reported the receipt of a check from Ethel Wilkinson, which will be deposited in the Cemetery Fund.

The Meeting was told of a letter from John and Mildred Keddy, written from Daytona Beach, in which they described their visit with Mary Stevens, and said that she seemed to be recovering from her fall very satisfactorily. They took her to the Daytona Beach Meeting on Sunday, this being the first time she had attended meeting since her accident. Twenty-one people were in attendance. Mary Stevens has a neighbor who has been caring for her since the fall, and has provided her meals, so that she does not have to go out to eat.

As representatives to the Business Session of the Quarterly Meeting to be held February 19, 1966 at Florida Avenue Meeting House, with the Adelphi Meeting as host, the following were appointed:

Harriet R. Sutton
J. Austin Stone
Edna L. Stone

As a representative to the Ministry and Counsel Session, Arthur W. Hummel was appointed.

There was some discussion of the meetings being held at Woodlawn.

James J. Winder gave us an account of the meetings being held in Washington during this weekend. He told of the meeting at the Sheraton Park Hotel and also of the Vigil at the White House.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded after a period of silence, to meet, as way opens, March 13, 1966.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Third Month 13, 1966.

The selection from the Discipline on Civic Relations and the Eleventh Query were read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports on Quarterly Meeting were given by Harriet Sutton and others.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel. The Peace Committee reported that Victor Kaufmann had been made Chairman.

The Social Order Committee reported that they had started having Conference Meetings one month and Local Concerns in the next month. They are interested in many local concerns, including Fellowship House, Happy House, the condition of the jail, Home Rule and other subjects. They presented their financial report.

The Property Committee reported that the electricity at Woodlawn was now working, and asked who should be responsible for paying the bill. It was decided that Horace Buckman should pay the bills when due and bill the Meeting.

The Overseers reminded the Meeting that they have scholarship money for young people attending camps and conferences and that Cape May Conference will be held this year.

A letter from Burns Chalmers was read inviting this Meeting to appoint representatives to the Study Committee to look at the problems of the Metropolitan Area as they affect Friends, and to consider useful structural changes in local Quakerism. There was some discussion of this letter, and it was decided that we would like to have members of our meeting attend these meetings as observers. James J. Winder and Horace D. Buckman were appointed.

A letter from Herbert Hadley was read, thanking the Meeting for our contribution to the Friends World Council, and sending us friendly greetings.

The meeting was advised that Camp Catoctin is looking for young Friends to serve as Counsellors this summer.

The meeting then concluded, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens April 10, 1966.

Clerk.
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., 14th Month 10, 1966.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Committee on Ministry and Counsel presented the Report on the State of the Meeting for 1965. This was read and approved to be sent to the Quarterly Meeting.

James Winder gave a report on the Sunday session of the Ministry and Counsel Conference held here in Washington this spring.

The Peace Committee and the Joint Social Order Committee each reported a meeting held.

The Property Committee reported that grass seed had been sowed at Woodlawn, as well as compost. Satisfaction with the appearance of the Woodlawn Meeting House was expressed by the meeting.

The Overseers reminded the meeting of the money for sending young people to camps and conferences, which they wished to use to advantage.

Reports of Committee day at Sandy Spring were given. It was reported that the Camp is planning to replace the posts of the pier and rebuild the back porch of the kitchen, making it larger. Reports of the Executive Committee meeting were also given.

A letter was read from Marydel McNamara, asking whether this meeting would be in a position to help finance a year at a Friends School for her daughter Adella. Since she was not sure she would need our aid, or how much she might need, the Meeting decided to write her telling her that when she knew what her needs would be and we would give the matter consideration.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting it was adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as way opens May 8, 1966.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 5th Month 8th, 1966.

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations and Scriptures. The 6th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that John L. Keddy would represent them at Hopewell Quarterly Meeting. John Keddy read a passage from the Friends Journal about Quaker Street Meeting, New York, which is undergoing repairs. They are looking for a program to increase membership. The similarity between this meeting and Woodlawn was pointed out. John Keddy also stated that he has collected the names of the alumnae of Friends Schools who are residing in the neighborhood. He has spoken with the Potomac News and the Alexandria Journal, and they will carry notices of Woodlawn Meeting without charge. It was suggested that we arrange to have the Alexandria Gazette carry a notice also, for at least some months, to see if it will bring results.

There were no reports from the Peace Committee or the Joint Social Order Committee.

The Property Committee had no report.

The Study Committee to look at the problems of the metropolitan area as they concern Friends has held a meeting, at which the local meetings were represented. Those attending from this Meeting reported that there had been considerable discussion to try to find if there is a joint aim to advance, but no determination had been reached.

As representatives to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard
John L. Keddy.

The Nominating Committee was asked to take the name of Mary W. Cox off of the Social Service Committee, at her request.

There being no further business, after a period of silence the meeting adjourned, to meet as way opens June 12, 1966.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., 10th Month 9th, 1966.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered.

Reports of Yearly Meeting were given. Special appreciation was expressed for the reports of the Junior Yearly Meeting received from Rachel and Rebecca Winder; the theme of their group being "Let Peace Begin with Me". They gave most interesting accounts of their work. Anne Winder also gave an account of the many activities carried on by the Junior High Group. The Monthly Meeting felt we had been very well represented.

Alice Winder presented a report of the World Affairs Camp held at Vineland, New Jersey, held under the auspices of the A.F.S/C. This was a very full and interesting report, and the Monthly Meeting was very happy to have had a representative there.

Ernest Gooden reported that the Trustees of Catoctin Quaker Camp had held a meeting, and reported the property in good shape. The construction and repairs have proceeded normally. The next construction planned will be a tool house. The Monthly Meeting approved this report with appreciation.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that they had decided to run advertisements of Woodlawn Meeting in the Alexandria Gazette, and gave an estimate of the price. They recommended continuing for a year. The Meeting Approved.

It was reported that the November Quarterly Meeting will be held at Charlottesville, Virginia.

The Committee reported that they had sent cut letters to the Alumnae of Friends Schools and Colleges in this vicinity regarding Woodlawn.

There were two reports from the Peace Committee or the Social Order Committee. James J. Winder reported that he had attended a meeting of the Committee on the Organization of Washington Friends. He reported that many felt that we need to enlarge our own meetings instead of starting new ones. It was felt that the William Penn House would be useful as a place to have conferences in Washington, and as a center for the Friends Central bureau in Washington. A conclusion as to the feeling of this Committee will be sent to the meeting at Garkittsville.

The death of Sara Kearney on August 24, 1966, was reported to the meeting. The suggestion was made that a memorial contribution should be made in her name. This will be discussed later.
A report of Cross Creek Quarterly Meeting was given. This was felt to have been a good meeting. A large group was present and the meeting was lively and vital. Robert Pidgeon was appointed to serve as Clerk in place of Richard Houghton.

The Overseers reported that the wedding of Carolyn Gooden and Harley Mimura was held in good order. After a deep period of silence the vows were spoken and the certificate signed and read. Several spoke. The

There being no further business to come before the meeting it adjourned, after a deep period of silence to meet as usual opens November 13, 1966.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Third Month 12, 1967

The reading from the Discipline was on Civic Relations. The 11th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

An excellent report of the Quarterly Meeting which was held at Adelphi Meeting House on February 18, 1967 was read to the meeting. This report was written by James M. Winder. The meeting expressed its appreciation of this very full and interesting report.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that they were preparing the Report on the State of the Meeting to be presented to the Hopewell Quarterly Meeting in May. There was much discussion of the matter of holding weekly meetings at Woodlawn, and it was finally decided to continue to hold meetings there on the first Sunday, and to discontinue holding meeting there on other Sundays, commencing on or about May 15, so that our members will be free to attend Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

The Joint Social Order Committee reported a joint meeting held with the Peace Committee.

There was no report from the Property Committee.

The Finance Committee reported that they had withdrawn the $20,000 note of the Sidwell Friends School from the Union Trust Company, and placed it in the safe belonging to this Meeting in Florida Avenue Meeting House.

The Meeting was advised that Yearly Meeting Committee Day is scheduled to be held at Sandy Spring Friends School on Saturday, April 1, 1967.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet on April 9, 1967, as way opens.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Third Month 10, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline was on Civic Relations. The Eleventh Query was read and considered.

It was reported that all of our representatives to the Quarterly Meeting at Adelphi had been in attendance. An excellent report on the Quarterly Meeting was prepared by Alice Winder. Other representatives added their impressions. It was felt that this had been an outstanding Quarterly Meeting.

A report was also given on the talk by Alfred Mikesell which was given at the Ministry and Counsel Session of the Quarterly Meeting, and the discussion which followed.

The Joint Social Order Committee reported that their main project at present is to find volunteers to teach in the schools at Adams Morgan.

A report on the Group Conversation led by Rachel Davis DuBois here at the Meeting House was given.

There was no report from the Peace Committee.

The Property Committee reported that a tree had been lost at Woodlawn during the high winds of last month. Steps are being taken to have it removed.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting was read enclosing application blanks for candidates for counsellors to serve at Camp Catoctin this summer.

The death of one of our valued former members, Sarah F. Stabler, was reported to the Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, it was adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet, as way opens April 14, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., 4th Month 14, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel.

There were no reports from the Joint Social Order Committee and the Peace Committee.

The Social Service Committee reported that they had contributed $50.00 to the Welfare Council for Emergency Relief.

The Overseers reported that they had sent the $100.00 in their budget which is known as the Emergency Fund to the Welfare Council.

The Property Committee reported that the tree at Woodlawn which had been blown down this winter has been removed and the spot cleared up.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting asking that we appoint someone to serve on the Yearly Meeting's Executive Committee for one year was read. The Meeting appointed Ernest Gooden to serve in this capacity.

A letter from the Friends General Conference was read explaining why it would be impossible to hold the usual Cape May Conference this year. There will be, however a working conference on "Renewal and Revolution" held at Cape May at the usual time (June 21 to 28, 1968) and each Meeting is invited to appoint one representative to attend this conference. They also suggest that an alternative representative be appointed.

The Meeting was reminded that, due to the fact that there will be no Cape May Conference this year, the money in the budget for Camps and Conferences should go for Camps or other young people's activities. It was decided that this money shall be given to Anne Winder for Catoctin Quaker Camp.

The Meeting was gratified to receive from Mary S. Ward the request that her son, Kevin William Ward, be accepted as an associate member of this Meeting. After some discussion it was decided to accept him as a full member of the Meeting, and the Clerk was authorized to write Mary S. Ward to that effect, expressing our appreciation.

An application for membership was received from Leonard Benson Ward, which was highly pleasing to the Meeting, and Ernest Gooden and John L. Keedy were appointed to visit him and report back to the Meeting.

The Meeting was reminded of the report on the State of the Meeting, which should be prepared for forwarding to the Hopewell Quarterly Meeting. Josephine T. Howard was approved as the person to prepare this report.
There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, on May 12, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Fifth Month 12, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations and Scriptures, Recreation. The Sixth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was announced that the next Committee Day would be at Adelphi Meeting House on November 23.

It was reported that the Joint Social Order Committee had held a meeting. That for a time a series of meetings with the Peace Committee will be held after Meeting with reference to the Poor Peoples. A report was given on Hopkins House which is in Alexandria. They greatly appreciate the gift made them by this meeting. They are growing at present, both in funds and in building space.

The report on the State of the Meeting was read by Josephine Howard. This report was approved by the Meeting and directed to be read at Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

A letter from the Friends Journal was read.

The Interviewing Committee appointed to visit Leonard B. Ward who has applied for membership, consisting of Ernest Gooden and Josephine Howard, reported that they were entirely satisfied with his qualifications and approve his being received into membership. As is customary, this matter will remain over until the next Monthly Meeting, at which time it will be taken up for final action. It was reported that both Leonard B. Ward and Mary S. Ward, his wife, would be glad to serve on committees, and the Nominating Committee was advised to have this matter in mind when they next appoint committee members.

As representatives to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed.

Josephine T. Howard
Bertha S. Buckman

Josephine T. Howard gave us an interesting report on the Indian Committee Meeting she had recently attended.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence, we adjourned to meet as way opens June 9, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., Sixth Month 9th, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline for the month is on Peace and Cooperation. The 12th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports on Hopewell Quarterly Meeting were given by the representatives and others who were present. It was reported that all our representatives had been in attendance. The Meeting of Ministry and Counsel was taken up by the reading of the Reports on the State of the Meeting, by a representative from each meeting.

The Joint Social Order Committee had held no meeting.

There was no report from the Joint Peace Committee.

The Committee to call on Leonard E. Ward reported that they had met with him and recommended that he be received into the membership of the Meeting. The Meeting approved this report, and was very appreciative of receiving Leonard Ward in the Meeting. After some discussion, it was decided to ask Jean and James Winder to inform him of his acceptance, and all of the members who attended the next meeting at Woodlawn were asked to speak to him there and welcome him into the meeting.

A letter from the Friends Committee on National Legislation, asking if we would increase our contribution to them was received. The Meeting instructed that this matter be given to the Trustees for consideration.

The Property Committee made a short report on what had been done at Woodlawn recently.

As representatives to Yearly Meeting the following were appointed:

Harriet R. Sutton
Bertha S. Buckman
Anne Winder
Rachel Winder
Rebecca Winder.

As representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting the following were appointed:

John L. Keddy
Jean S. Winder
James J. Winder
Josephine T. Howard.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, it was decided that we would adjourn for the summer, as we have done for several years,
with the understanding that if need arise the Clerk shall call a special meeting to take care of the new business.

As our Trustee at Camp Catoctin, Ernest Gooden was appointed.

After a period of silence the meeting then adjourned, to meet as way opens October 13, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Tenth Month 13th, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports from representatives to Yearly Meeting were given. Especially interesting were reports from Anne Winder, Rachel Winder and Rebecca Winder. These girls sent in very full reports of their activities at Yearly Meeting, and the Meeting was very appreciative of hearing such good accounts of the proceedings of the Junior Yearly Meeting.

In addition, Anne Winder sent us a delightful account of her activities at Camp Catoctin. She began by saying that the Camp was a lot of fun, and after hearing her report we were all sure that it must have been. We are pleased to have been so well represented there.

Ernest Gooden gave us a report of the meeting of the Yearly Meeting Executive Committee.

It was reported that all of our representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting had been in attendance. Reports of the Quarterly Meeting were given by the representatives and others.

The report of the Catoctin Program Committee advised us that this had been the most successful year yet. The decision to allow 14-year olds was an improvement. Trips were made to Gettysburg this year. The paid professional help was a great advantage. Next year they expect to follow the same procedures as this year.

A meeting of the Camp Trustees has been held. They hope to secure some much-needed improvements in the kitchen before next year. They also plan to build a staff cabin and to convert two shelters into permanent buildings.

No report from the Property Committee was received.

It was reported that Leonard Ward had been welcomed into the Meeting, by the Committee appointed.

Josephine T. Howard gave a report of the meeting she had attended at Collins, New York on Indian affairs.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned after a period of silence, to meet as way opens November 10, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Eleventh Month 10, 1968

The selection from the Discipline on Religious Fellowship was read, followed by the 7th Query.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The meeting was informed that a letter had been received from Baltimore Yearly Meeting asking that we appoint one of our members to serve the remaining part of the term of Sara B. Kearney on the Fairhill Fund. The meeting approved appointing Josephine Howard to serve.

A report from the Joint Social Order Committee stated that they were working on the Runaway Children's House, which cares for an average of about ten children a night. This house is located at 1743 - 18th Street. They are in need of donations, blankets and similar supplies. The people in charge of this House are trying to keep these children out of trouble, and also trying to get them to return home.

A letter from the Friends World Committee was read which made three suggestions which they felt would be helpful to the meeting: the Quaker Youth Pilgrimage which will take place in 1969, the study of the "Notes on the Quaker Peace Testimony" which will benefit a study group, and which may be ordered for ten cents per copy, and the study guide for the Report of the Fourth World Conference of Friends.

A letter from Abby Hadley, our new Associate Secretary of the Yearly Meeting was read, in which she tells of the work she has been doing, and offers to attend committee meetings whenever it is felt that she might be able to help. She also wishes to increase communication on a deeper level. She feels the resources within us are immeasurable and she hopes to be able to help the Meetings to bring them out.

A letter from Miriam F.D. Green, Chairman of the Yearly Meeting Committee of Ministry and Counsel was read asking that each meeting send at least one person to attend the discussion groups at the Fall Committee Day at Adelphi Friends Meeting which will discuss what should be included and what not to include in the Reports on the State of the Meeting.

A letter from Pendle Hill stated that help was needed now as never before, and they hoped we would be able to give them financial aid.

A report on Friends House was given by Horace Buckman. The land for the nursing wing has been bought, they have up to $100,000 in cash or pledges, and the architect is drawing plans.
As representatives to the Quarterly Meeting to be held at Florida Avenue Meeting House on November 16, 1968 the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard
Harriet R. Sutton
Bertha S. Buckman.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens December 8, 1968.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Twelfth Month 8, 1968.

The reading from the Discipline was on Human Relations, Vocations and Voluntary Service. The 9th Query was read.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all our representatives to Quarterly Meeting had been in attendance. Reports on the Quarterly Meeting were given by representatives and others.

James J. Winder, Treasurer of the Social Service Committee, gave the report for the year 1968. This showed a balance on hand at the end of 1967 amounting to $2,80, and receipts of $215.49, making a total of $218.29. The Expenditures for the year amounted to $205.00, leaving a balance on hand on December 31, 1968 of $13.29. This report was approved, with appreciation.

It was reported that the Joint Social Order Committee is still working on Runaway House.

The Property Committee reported that the cost of electricity for the year had amounted to $12.52, which the Monthly Meeting felt to be reasonable. They reported a balance of $68.11 on hand at the end of the year. After some discussion it was decided that we should have the grounds at Woodlawn surveyed and erect a fence across the back and up the side. The Meeting approved of spending $268.11 on a survey. It also approved the report.

A report of the Indian Committee Meeting at the Committee Day at Adelphi was given by Josephine Howard.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting at which the budget for 1969 had been considered. They had decided to increase our contribution to the Friends Committee on National Legislation to $200.00. In other respects the budget was the same as last year. They suggested that the same members be continued for 1969 as had served in 1968. They also stated that any suggestions for new Trustees would be gratefully received.

The Nominating Committee presented their report, which was approved with appreciation.

As our representative on the Yearly Meeting's Executive Committee, the Meeting approved of reappointing Ernest Groden.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens January 10, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. First Month 12, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Property and Business. The Tenth Query was read and considered.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel, the Joint Social Order Committee, the Peace Committee and the Property Committee.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting for organization, and that they had appointed the same officers as last year. The Finance Committee will consist of James J. Winder, Frederick W. Popp and Ernest Gooden. The Meeting approved this report.

A letter from the Miles White Beneficial Society was read, which announced that a scholarship in the amount of $750.00 was offered for the school year 1969-1970 to a resident member of Baltimore Yearly Meeting to go to the college or university of his or her choice. The qualifications governing the award of the scholarship will be the character, scholastic standing and apparent ability of the applicant to benefit by further school work. The need of the applicant will be an important consideration. Applications must be filed by April 1, 1969. The Meeting expressed its appreciation of this announcement.

A letter from the Friends General Conference was read, expressing their appreciation for our help in the past, and their hope that we would continue to make contributions toward their work. They are currently undergoing a thorough evaluation of their program, and this evaluation will be reported upon in the spring issue of the Friends General Conference Quarterly. They expressed the hope that this Meeting would include in our budget a contribution for the Meeting House Fund, and will consider investing surplus and trust funds in Friends Meeting House Fund, Inc. by purchasing mortgage pool notes. They listed the meetings which have been given assistance in 1968, and offered to send us their audited financial statement on request. By the close of 1968 they will have close to $300,000 cut on loan to Meetings all across the United States.

We were advised that the marriage of our member, Alice E. Winder to Kerry C. Smith had taken place on December 20, 1968. The Meeting joined in good wishes for the young couple.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet, as way opens on February 9, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Second Month 9, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on silent worship. The First Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved with one correction.

The Joint Social Order Committee reported a meeting held.

There was no report on the Peace Committee.

The Meeting was advised of the meeting of the All-Virginia Friends Conference to be held at Massanetta Springs Conference Center, about 4-5 miles east of Harrisonburg off Route 33, March 22-23, 1969. The conference will begin with lunch on Saturday, and end after lunch on Sunday. The cost will be $8.00 per person, children under six half price. The main emphasis will be on crime and the treatment of the offender in Virginia.

A letter was received from Baltimore Yearly Meeting enclosing three separate items: a form to be filled in and returned regarding membership changes during the past year, summaries of workshops on preparing the state of the Meeting reports, and copies of a report from the Chairman of the Indian Affairs Committee.

The Meeting was informed of the fact that it is time for the Committee of Ministry and Counsel to prepare the report on the state of the Meeting. However as there were no members of the Committee of Ministry and Counsel present at Monthly Meeting, it was decided to bring this matter up at the next Monthly Meeting, in order that the report may be prepared in time to send it to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

There were no Friends at Monthly Meeting who were able to attend the Quarterly Meeting at Adelphi Meeting House on February 15, and the Clerk was authorized to try to secure attenders to represent this meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens on March 9, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. 3rd Month 9, 1969.

The selection from the Discipline on Civic Relations was read.
The 11th Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was decided that copies of the reports of the two discussion groups that were held at Adelphi Meeting on Fall Committee Day, November 23, 1968 be given to John L. Keddy and Josephine T. Howard, to aid them in arranging the preparation of the report on the State of the Meeting.

There were no reports from the Joint Social Order Committee, the Peace Committee, the Overseers and the Property Committee.

A report on the meeting of the Yearly Meeting Executive Committee was given by Ernest Gooden. They are concerned with the boundaries of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Baltimore Yearly Meeting which may need revising. The Clerk of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting has been approached, and the boundaries will be investigated and plans for study made.

The Spring Committee Day will be held at Sandy Spring Friends School on March 29, 1969.

Yearly Meeting will be held this year at Westminster, Maryland, on August 1-6.

A letter from Abby Hadley concerning some changes in holding the Junior Yearly Meeting was read to the Meeting.

A letter from the Friends Journal to the Friends Journal Associates was read, thanking us for our support during the past year, reporting on the uses to which contributions have been put, asking for further support, and inviting us to attend the annual dinner meeting of the Associates, the Board of Managers and the Friends Publishing Corporation on March 29.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, the same was adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet as way opens April 13, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., Fourth Month 13, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read. open

The Joint Social Order Committee reported that a meeting had been held which was a summation of the of the series held by the Social Order Committee on Washington as it is. A speaker from the Committee of Community Services was present and spoke, invoking a strong discussion on what Friends can do in Washington. Various types of volunteer programs in the Washington area were suggested. The vote for Washington was mentioned. Another was work with the Adams-Morgan and Shaw areas. It was suggested that outlying meetings might be asked to help.

No reports were given by the Peace Committee, the Property Committee or the Overseers.

Josephine Howard reported that she had attended the Indian Committee at the Spring Committee Day. They are planning a picnic. They also have plans for a centennial.

Ernest Gooden reported that he had attended the Trustee's Meeting for Camp Catoctin at the Spring Committee Day. Later in the day was a meeting of the Executive Committee. The Camp is faced with expenses for repairs and expenditures.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel was reminded that at the May Monthly Meeting we shall need the final draft of the Report on the State of the Meeting, in order that it may be sent to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as usual May 14, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Fifth Month 11th, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations, Scriptures and Recreation. The 6th Query was read and discussed.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Report on the State of the Meeting was read and approved. This Report will be forwarded to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

As Representatives to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting the following Friends were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard
John L. Keddy

The Trustees reported that they had held a called meeting to consider the need to replace our Assistant Treasurer, J. Austin Stone, who is no longer able to serve. After some discussion, they had appointed Mildred Keddy to be Assistant Treasurer. The Monthly Meeting approved of this appointment.

The Property Committee reported that there is need to have some painting done at Woodlawn. The Meeting approved of having this taken care of.

It was reported that an Adult Education Group had visited Woodlawn. The Fairfax Historical Association wishes to identify and mark old places in the County. It was suggested that Alexandria Monthly Meeting should prepare a brochure giving information on Woodlawn, which might be given to people interested in its history. Suggestions for such a brochure will be welcomed.

Josephine Howard reported on the meeting of the Executives on Indian Affairs which she had just attended.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet as way opens June 8, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., Sixth Month 8, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation. This was followed by the 12th Query.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all our representatives had been in attendance at Hopewell Quarterly Meeting. Reports on the meeting were given by representatives and others.

The meeting was informed of the death of J. Austin Stone, one of our most valued members, and our Assistant Treasurer, on May 17, 1969.

There were no reports from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel, the Joint Peace Committee, the Joint Social Order Committee and the Social Service Committee.

The Overseers reported that they were awarding the $50.00 fund for Camps and Conferences to Rachel and Rebecca Winder, in order to help them to attend Camp Catoctin.

Mildred Keddy, who is serving as our Assistant Treasurer, reported that she has received the records kept by J. Austin Stone. We have been advised by the Union Trust Company that the officer now in charge of our account with them is Richard Swift.

Ernest Gooden was reappointed to serve as our Trustee for Camp Catoctin, for the next year.

As our representatives to Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the following were named:

Josephine T. Howard
Anne E. Winder

Harriet R. Sutton
Rachel L. Winder

Bertha S. Buckman
Rebecca M. Winder.

As representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting the following were named:

Jean S. Winder
James J. Winder
Josephine T. Howard

Ernest Gooden advised that the Executive Committee was desirous of finding ways to improve The Interchange. He distributed Questionnaires dealing with the purpose and functions of The Interchange, which he asked to have filled out and returned to him promptly.

The Meeting decided to adjourn for the three summer months, as for the past several years, with the understanding that, should any need for action arise, the Clerk would call a special meeting.

After a period of silence, the Meeting adjourned, to meet, as way opens, on October 12, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C., Tenth Month 12, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. This was followed by the reading and discussion of the Third Query.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all of our representatives to Yearly Meeting had been in attendance. Reports on the Yearly Meeting were given by some of the representatives.

All of our representatives to Goose Creek Quarterly Meeting were reported to have been in attendance. A report of the proceedings of the Quarterly Meeting was given.

The Meeting was informed that the parents of Nancy Lynn Ward, had asked that she be enrolled as a member of the Monthly Meeting. The meeting was highly gratified to receive this new member, and the Clerk was asked to write to Leonard B. and Mary S. Ward expressing our pleasure in welcoming her.

The meeting was informed that the Fall Committee Day would be held at Adelphi Meeting House on November 8, 1969.

The meeting heard with sorrow of the death of Edna L. Stone on August 9, 1969.

There was a report on the discussion of the Interchange which had been held, and at which it was decided that no great changes would be made in it at this time.

It was reported that the Trustees of Camp Catoctin had met and had found the Camp affairs to be in good condition.

It was reported that the house at Sandy Spring for the Yearly Meeting quarters has actually been started. The site is felt to be a choice one.

The meeting was informed that Friends are taking part in the broadcasts on Faith and Life which are being planned by the Council of Churches of Greater Washington, and that the Friends' broadcasts will take place during the week of October 12, 1969.

Due to the November 15 Mobilization in Washington, the Potomac Quarterly Meeting date has been changed to November 22, to avoid conflict.

A letter from the Friends Council on Education was received, expressing appreciation for our past contributions, and trusting we will continue to budget for them, as they have provided more programs, assisted with more seminars and reached more schools than ever before in their history.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting Treasurer informed me that the quote assigned to Alexandria Monthly Meeting for the calendar year 1970 is $2400.00.
A letter from Alice S. Koenig, Chairman of the Education Committee of the Yearly Meeting states that at this past Yearly Meeting it was decided to give full responsibility for the disbursement of all scholarship funds. Each Monthly Meeting is asked to appoint one or two corresponding members to represent it on this Committee. It was suggested that if we have representatives on the Fair Hill Fund, we continue them as representative members of the Yearly Meeting Education Committee. As this meeting has Josephine T. Howard who is already a member of the Fair Hill Committee, the meeting approved of continuing her on the new Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Monthly Meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned, to meet as way opens, on November 9, 1969.

Clerk.
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Eleventh Month 9, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline was on Religious Fellowship. The 7th Query was read and discussed.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

We were given some reports of the Fall Committee Day, which was held at Adelphi Meeting House on November 8. Josephine T. Howard told us of the meeting of the Indian Committee, and Ernest Goeden spoke of the Executive Committee. We were also told of the Yearly Meeting building at Sandy Spring and its progress, and were given a report on Friends House.

Some interesting and genuine letters written by Anne, Rachel and Rebecca Winder were read. Anne gave us a report on Yearly Meeting, telling of her appreciation of the new system of having alternative programs, so that one had a chance to decide what to do. Rachel told us of her three weeks at Camp Catactin and what they did there. She thanked the Meeting for helping her to attend. She also gave a report on Yearly Meeting. Rebecca gave us her impressions of Yearly Meeting and Camp Catactin. The Meeting was impressed by these worth-while reports and felt that they added greatly to the interest of the Monthly Meeting.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting earlier in the evening but were not ready to give a report.

The Property Committee had no report.

There was a report from the Camp Catactin Committee, which had had a good meeting. They are in need of raising additional funds. They have a new system for next year which will charge $37.00 for the first week, and $101.00 for three weeks. They ask that we encourage more families to send their children. Barry McRae will serve again next year.

A report was given on the meeting for worship which was held in the Libby apartment, due to the inability of Frederick Libby to attend meeting in the meeting house. Nine people attended, and reported a good meeting was held.

The meeting was advised of the death of our old friend, Mary Stevens. Tribute was paid to her spirituality.

As representatives to Potomac Quarterly Meeting to be held in Washington, November 16, 1969, the following were appointed.

John L. Keddy
Ernest Goeden
Bertha S. Buckman.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, December 14, 1969.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. Twelfth Month 14th, 1969.

The reading from the Discipline on Human Relations and Vocations and Voluntary Service and the 9th Query were read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports on the Quarterly Meeting held at Washington, D.C. were given. John Keddy reported on the panel presentation on Varieties of Small Group Experience, which was given in connection with the Ministry and Counsel session. There were also reports on the business session in the afternoon.

There were no reports from Ministry and Counsel, the Peace Committee, The Joint Social Order Committee, and the Social Service Committee.

The Trustees reported that they had held their annual budget meeting, and had prepared a budget similar to the one for 1969, except for $150.00 increase to the Yearly Meeting. This budget was approved by the meeting.

The Trustees also reported that Myra Lewis Lank and Mary S. Ward had been asked to serve as Trustees, and had consented to do so. The meeting approved of these appointments.

The Trustees also recommended that $1,000.00 from the 1969 surplus be sent to the Yearly Meeting as a contribution towards the Yearly Meeting Office which is being constructed at Sandy Spring, Maryland. The meeting approved of making this contribution.

Jean Minder presented the report of the Nominating Committee. This report was approved by the meeting.

The Property Committee presented its report for the year. This report showed a balance on hand at the beginning of the year of $86.87, expenses during the year of $659.04, and a balance on hand at the end of the year of $287.83. The meeting approved this report. The Property Committee also reported that they were still trying to find a surveyor to survey the Woodlawn property and to locate one peg on the back line which seems to be missing. They report that the electrical heating at Woodlawn seems to be quite successful.

The meeting was informed that Don Whitley has been selected by the Yearly Meeting to replace Abby Hadley as Assistant Secretary. He will be available in September, 1970.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, on January 31, 1970.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Florida Avenue Meeting House, Washington, D.C. First Month 11th 1970.

The reading from the Discipline was on Property and Business. The Tenth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

There was no report from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel.

The Social Service Committee presented their report for the year 1969. The Meeting approved this report.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting and had reappointed as officers those who had served last year.

The Property Committee reported that they have been approached by the Historical Preservation Committee of Fairfax County. This Committee is setting up historical districts in the County, and the Woodlawn Meeting House, the Woodlawn Plantation and the Old Mill are in one grouping.

Several letters were read to the Meeting, one from Abby Hadley asking for suggestions with regard to her services, one from the Friends World Committee, expressing their need for additional funds, which was referred to the Trustees, and one from the Yearly Meeting regarding the need for intervisitation.

The Meeting was very pleased to received a letter from Elois Rogers, requesting membership in this Meeting. She asked whether we objected to dual membership. The meeting felt that dual membership was no hindrance, as we have many Friends who have dual membership, and instructed the Clerk to write a welcoming letter to Elois Rogers. Christine and Horace Buckman and John and Mildred Keddy were asked to call and welcome her, and it was hoped that all Friends who were at Woodlawn next month would give her a personal welcome.

Some time was spent in going over the list of members which was found among Austin Stone's papers, and which he had used in sending notices regarding meeting dues. It was felt that this list should be revised before sending out notices for this year.

The suggestion was made that we hold Monthly Meeting at Woodlawn after the meeting there, and this suggestion met with general approval and will be tried out immediately.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, at Woodlawn Meeting House on February 1, 1970, at 1:15 p.m.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Second Month 1, 1970.

The reading from the Discipline was on Silent Worship and Ministry.
The First Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last Meeting were read.

A letter from the Committee of Ministry and Counsel of Adelphi Meeting was read, asking that our Committee of Ministry and Counsel appoint one of its members to report at Quarterly Meeting on our use of the Queries. This letter was handed to John L. Keddy, with the request that he take care of it. The report, whether oral or written, was not to exceed three minutes.

The Property Committee reported that they had received a request from Virginia O'Callaghan, who, in turn had been referred to us by Anthony Gould, that her husband, 1st Lt. Brian J. O'Callaghan, who had died as the results of wounds received in Viet Nam might be buried in the Cemetery at Woodlawn. After consulting with the widow, Horace Buckman granted her the privilege of having her husband buried in the Woodlawn Cemetery. The Monthly Meeting, on hearing the report, approved the action.

There was a unanimous expression of welcome to Elois Rogers, who has just joined this meeting.

A report from the Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of Baltimore Yearly Meeting was given regarding our request for membership on the Stewardship and Finance Committee. We were also in receipt of a letter from the Nominating Committee of the Yearly Meeting asking for our suggestions regarding members of our meeting to serve on the various Yearly Meeting Committees. The Monthly Meeting directed that we inform the Nominating Committee of our desire to have James J. Winder be appointed to serve on the Stewardship and Finance Committee.

The Monthly Meeting approved of holding Monthly Meeting at Woodlawn, and suggested that we hold the next meeting there. It was requested that announcement be made at the close of the Meeting for Worship, inviting attenders to stay to Monthly Meeting.

There was much discussion regarding the renovation of the cushions on the seats at Woodlawn, and it was suggested that we buy foam rubber and cover as many as possible. Mildred Keddy offered to look into the matter.

The Clerk was asked to try to find Friends to represent this meeting at the Adelphi Quarterly Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned, after a period of silence, to meet as usual on March 1, 1970, at 1:15 P.M. At Woodlawn Meeting House, Virginia.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Third Month 1, 1970.

The reading from the Discipline was on Civic Relations. The Eleventh Query was read and considered.

A letter from Doris Brown was read, which stated that she had been asked by the Quarterly Meeting which met at Adelphi Meeting on February 21, 1970 to write to the meetings which had no representatives present at the Quarterly Meeting, and express disappointment at their absence. They decided that at the next Quarterly Meeting session they would not have a roll call of representatives by name, but rather a roll call of Monthly Meetings. They hoped each Meeting would be represented.

It was pointed out that under this system it would not be necessary for a Monthly Meeting to appoint specific individuals to attend, but that they should make every effort to have someone in attendance.

We had as visitors to our Monthly Meeting Charles Preston and C. Edward Behre, who had been asked to speak to us of the need for financial help in purchasing the Decatur Street property to be used as a Friends Center. It was pointed out that the Friends Meeting of Washington is really a national meeting, and needs new facilities. We are urged to invest in a utilitarian function.

The Property Committee advised us of a gift of a truck load of top soil from John William Hughes. The Meeting expressed great appreciation for this gift, and asked the Clerk to write and thank him for his thoughtfulness.

Anne Winder gave us an excellent report from the Peace Committee.

The Social Service Committee presented its annual report. The Meeting approved this report with appreciation.

There was much discussion of the need for new cushions for the seats, and after hearing several reports of firms who do such work and their estimates, it was decided to refer the matter to James J. Winder and Horace Buckman, to proceed as seems advisable.

A letter which had been prepared by Mildred Keddy, designed to be sent out to our membership regarding Meeting dues for this year, was read to the Meeting. There was a feeling that - since the Yearly Meeting Quota has been increased so substantially - this letter might be strengthened.

A report on Camp Catoctin was given us. They have decided that they will
start charging $1.00 per person per night from now on, regardless of membership.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet as way opens, April 5, 1970, at Woodlawn, Virginia.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship.
The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

We were happy to have had with us Robert L. Smith, Headmaster of the
Sidwell Friends School and two members of the Board of Trustees, Ellis T. Williams,
Chairman, and Lindsley H. Noble, Treasurer. They had asked to be allowed to
address the Monthly Meeting, and we enjoyed hearing what they had to tell us
about the School. Afterward, Robert L. Smith offered to answer any questions,
and several were asked. They said that they seek more Friends for teachers, and
more Friends students.

We had several reports on Committee Day. The Camp Trustees reported
that they are getting back on their feet, and that they have decided to re-open
their savings account. We were also advised of the Yearly Meeting's new
Associate Secretary, Don Whitley.

The discussion of the proposed plan for quarterly meetings which was carried
on on Committee showed that most of the geographical sections are satisfied as
they are and do not desire any change.

The matter of securing new cushions for Woodlawn was discussed, and it was
decided to leave it in the hands of the same committee who had been appointed
last month, James J. Winder and Horace Buckman.

The Sewing Group expressed its thanks for the $60.00 which had been given
to them by this Meeting.

It was announced that May 9 will be Camp Day, and that they would appreciate
any help possible.

There was some discussion of attempting to improve the building at Woodlawn,
if the necessary help can be secured.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period
of silence, we adjourned, to meet, as soon opens, May 3, 1970.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn, Virginia, Fifth Month 3, 1970.

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations. The 6th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was requested that the name of Mildred Keddy be added to the committee to arrange for new cushions for the benches at Woodlawn. The meeting approved of this addition.

The Report on the State of the Meeting was read by John L. Keddy. The meeting approved of this Report and directed that it be sent to Hopewell Quarterly Meeting.

The Trustees reported that they had met and had discussed the request of the Friends Meeting of Washington that we contribute towards the purchase of the Decatur Place property. It was decided to contribute $2,500.00 for this purpose. The meeting approved.

The Trustees also discussed the note of the Sidwell Friends School. It was decided that James J. Winder and Ernest Gooden meet with the Trustees of the School and discuss the matter. They plan to ask them to make some payments on the principal, and also to raise the interest on the note to 6%. The suggestion was that they ask for payments of $2,000 a year and 6% interest. The meeting approved.

Lucy Buckman told the meeting of the appreciation of the Sewing Group for the contribution of $60.00 given to them, and told something of the work of the Quaker Clothing Relief.

A letter from Alfred Steffenrod, Editor of the Friends Journal, was read which thanked the meeting for its contribution, which is very useful, and is an encouraging token of the support and interest of Alexandria Friends.

The Friends General Conference had sent us a letter of information regarding the Ocean Grove Conference, and this was read to the meeting.

A letter from The Fellowship of Reconciliation was read. This letter called attention to the life and work of Frederick J. Libby, as exemplified in the National Council for Prevention of War, and told in the just published book TO END WAR.

The meeting was reminded of the Hopewell Quarterly Meeting, and expressed the hope that this meeting would be well represented there.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, June 7, 1970.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Sixth Month 7, 1970.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation. The 12th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

We were pleased to have a visit from Robert Gronewald, Clerk of the Friends Meeting of Washington, who spoke to us concerning the property at 2121 Decatur Place. He reported that this is a 13-room house, and that the Friends Meeting of Washington has entered into a six-months sales contract. They have collected $147,000.00, $28,000.00 in loans. Robert Gronewald passed out copies of the report of the Committee on Program and Uses of 2121 Decatur Place. His real purpose in coming was to ask us to appoint two of our members to serve on the permanent Committee for the Friends Center. There was much discussion, but it was finally decided to take no action at this time, but to consider the matter more fully. We asked that other meetings which will be represented on this Committee are not to delay on account of our action.

Reports were given on the Quarterly Meeting held at Hopewell.

The Trustees reported that they had received a letter from the Trustees of the Friends School, stating that they had decided to repay the loan which this Meeting had made them in the past.

Application blanks for Catoctin Camp were distributed. James J. Winder gave us a report on the Camp. He said that June 13th will be work weekend at Catoctin, and that they would welcome any helpers. The camp will open the weekend of July 4.

The Committee to secure new cushions for Woodlawn Meeting House reported that a Leesburg firm will be consulted.

There were no reports from the Property Committee, the Joint Peace Committee and the Social Order Committee.

As representatives to Yearly Meeting the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard
Anne Winder
Rebecca Winder

Bertha S. Buckman
Rachel Winder

It was decided that, as in past Summers, the Monthly Meeting should be closed, with the understanding that, should any urgent matter come up, the Clerk will call a special meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, on October 4, 1970.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Third Month 7, 1971.

The reading from the Discipline was on Civic Relations. The 11th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Nominating Committee presented the names of those appointed to replace Ernest Gooden:
- On Ministry and Counsel Committee: Hannah Thompson
- On Overseers Committee: Myra Lank
- On Property Committee: Leonard Ward.

There was discussion of the new cushions to be obtained for the Meeting House, and the Property Committee was directed to go ahead and secure these at this time.

The Meeting decided that the name of Josephine T. Howard should be forwarded to the Yearly Meeting with the suggestion that she be reappointed to serve on the Indian Committee.

It was reported that the next Yearly Meeting Committee Day would be April 3, 1971.

James J. Winder, a member of the Finance and Stewardship Committee of the Yearly Meeting, reported for the Yearly Meeting Fund Association that the Yearly Meeting needs cash. The Hospitalization and finance for three Yearly Meeting employees will require from $600.00 to $800.00 a year more than in the past. The Yearly Meeting wants to retire the $8,000.00 due on the Yearly Meeting Office Building, and are hoping for contributions for this.

Josephine T. Howard gave a report on the work of the Indian Affairs Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet as way opens April 4, 1971.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Va., 4th Month 4th, 1971.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The meeting was pleased to have a visit from Victor Kaufmann, who reported that he had heard of the possibility of using the Woodlawn Meeting House for DMZ purposes two evenings a week. He spoke of the fact that there is a complete change in the attitude of GIs when they learn what the military really is. They gain an awareness of themselves.

There should be a Friends Oversight Committee to be on hand, open the building and see that the place is closed up. There should be a joint effort, but in the final analysis the program would be a GI program and not a Quaker program. If things get out of hand, things could be closed up. The GIs have their own funding. No drugs would be allowed. He suggests that we approve of setting this up. There should be at least two men who are Friends at each meeting.

It was decided to turn this over to a joint committee of Woodlawn and Washington Meetings and the DMZ. Horace Buckman and James Winder were named to represent Woodlawn.

The names of some others who would be interested in helping were mentioned. They included Harley Gross, Ruth Oviatt, Raoul Kulberg, Lynn Moore, Paul Dominovich, Victor Kaufmann, Paul Stickney.

It was decided to get this committee appointed and try to get things started, with the understanding that we might try it out for a month and see how it works.

As our representative on the Executive Committee of the Yearly Meeting, James Winder was appointed to replace Ernest Godden.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel was reminded that the report on the state of the Meeting should be brought to the next Monthly Meeting.

There were no committee reports to come before the Monthly Meeting.

We were advised that the Yearly Meeting Building Fund is anxious to reduce their debt. It was suggested that if each Monthly Meeting in the Yearly Meeting would pay $200.00 before the next Yearly Meeting it would reduce the debt to $4,000.00. The Meeting approved of sending this $200.00 to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer.
It was reported that the Yearly Meeting wants a complete mailing list of families once a year.

The Quaker Clothing Relief thanked the Meeting for the $60.00 contribution sent them this year. A letter from the A.F.S.C. in Philadelphia was read, which thanked the committee for the large amount of clothing sent them, which they said was always of the highest quality.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, May 2, 1971.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Sixth Month 6, 1971.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation. The 12th Query was read and considered. Kent Larrabee, who was visiting the Meeting, spoke to the Query.

Reports of the Quarterly Meeting, which had been held at Hopewell, were given.

There were no reports from committees.

As a replacement for Ernest Gooden, Horace Buckman was named to be one of the Trustees.

A report was given of the use of the Meeting House by the DMZ. At the first meeting held, Victor Kaufmann, Lloyd Swift, Kenneth Locke and his wife, and ten G.I.'s came. It was decided that since most of the G.Is are off on Sunday, the meetings should be held only once a week, on Wednesday. They are getting out a mimeographed pamphlet describing what they are doing here.

A letter from Mary Stocking was read, which said that Mary was planning to return to this part of the country and would be at the Wheaton Nursing Home.

It was reported that the Members Need Fund is available. The Overseers shall have discretion to use it during the summer, should need arise.

The Clerk was directed to send to Yearly Meeting the names of those members who would be able to attend as representatives.

The Meeting expressed to Kent Larrabee its appreciation for his presence and his participation in the business of the Meeting.

It was decided that, as in past years, the Monthly Meeting would adjourn for the summer months. Should any urgent business arise the Clerk is authorized to call a special meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned to meet, as way opens on October 3, 1971

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Tenth Month 3, 1971.

The reading from the discipline was on Principles and Application.

The Third Query was read and considered.

Reports on Baltimore Yearly Meeting were given by those in attendance. Anne Winder gave an unusually fine report on the work of the Young Friends at Yearly Meeting. She reported that in their first session they had appointed an Epistle Committee. They appointed Kathy Newman as Clerk. They discussed the involvement of Young Friends in the Yearly Meeting. They decided to start attending the regular business sessions. They prepared a minute to be circulated, and Anne Winder read this minute to us. She also reported that they have paid a visit to Fishertown. This report was greatly appreciated by the Meeting.

Reports on the last Quarterly Meeting which was held at Goose Creek Meeting were given. Those attending had been much interested in the report which Robert Pidgeon gave on Yearly Meeting. This had been his first yearly meeting, and his report on what had impressed his especially was of great interest.

Elois Rogers reported regarding the Retreat to be held at the Brethren Service Center at New Windsor, Maryland on October 8, 9 and 10. This Retreat is an attempt to meet the need for an in-depth discussion of our faith, our ministry and our worship within our local meetings and the Yearly Meeting.

James Winder reported on the Stewardship and Finance Fund Raising. It was felt that meetings should give as much to the Yearly Meeting as they give to local projects.

There was a discussion of the DMC meetings here at the Meeting House. The meeting wanted to know what their plans for the future are, and whether they expect to pay the expenses of heating during the winter or whether we should assume these costs. The Meeting felt that we should be sure that some Friends are present at all these meetings.

A letter from the Friends Council on Education was read, which told of the work they have done during the last year. It told of the two new subcommittees, one to explore the possibilities of greater cooperation and exchange among Quaker educational institutions, and the other, and the most important of all their committees, on the nourishment of the religious life of the young people in our schools and colleges. In order that they do not have to curtail their programs for the year to come, they stressed the need for additional funds.
We received a letter from the Prison Visitation Service to War Objectors, which asked for financial assistance.

A letter from Arnold Vaught asked us to appoint one of our members to serve on the Executive Committee of Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting. The meeting suggested the name of James J. Winder, and he will be asked whether he will be able to serve.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet as way opens on November 7, 1971.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn, Virginia, Eleventh Month 7th, 1971.

The reading from the Discipline was on Religious Fellowship. The Seventh Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A letter from the Chairman of the Stewardship and Finance Committee was read, informing us that our Yearly Meeting quota for the coming year will be $2,500.00.

It was announced that Jean Winder has accepted appointment as our representative on the Executive Committee of Potomac Half-yearly Meeting.

The meeting was very appreciative of her acceptance of the appointment.

A letter from Arnold Vaught was read. This letter told us that the Executive Committee of the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting will meet at Bethesda at 10:00 A.M. on November 21, 1971 to discuss the possible program and procedure for the spring session, to be held in Winchester on May 21, 1972. They will also decide what should be done about the reports on the State of the Meeting, and will consider any invitations from monthly meetings in the Washington area for holding the autumn session on November 19, 1972.

He enclosed programs for the session to be held at Bethesda, which were to be made available to interested members of the monthly meeting.

There being no further business to come before the monthly meeting, after a period of silence the monthly meeting was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, December 5, 1971.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Twelfth Month 5th, 1971.

The reading from the Discipline was on Human Relations. The 9th Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Reports were given on the Half-yearly Meeting held at Bethesda, Md. on November 21, 1971. It is planned that the next Half-yearly Meeting will be held at Center Meeting, Winchester, Virginia, May 21, 1972. Langley Hill Meeting will entertain the Half-yearly Meeting next fall.

The Nominating Committee presented its report for the coming year. The Meeting approved this report.

A letter of appreciation was read from Vernon C. Merrifield, Jr., thanking the Meeting for the use of Woodlawn Meeting House by the G. I. Movement of Fort Belvoir for the past six months. As the Movement has come to an end at this time, they will not need the Meeting House any longer.

The report of the Property Committee was presented. This showed expenses of $181.35, as follows:

- Electricity $64.16
- Window shades $23.14
- Repair roof $64.00
- Supplies $7.25
- Maintenance of Grounds $322.50

In addition, $390.00 was spent for seat cushions. The Meeting approved this report.

The Meeting was informed that the Members Need Fund of $120.00 had been awarded to Beth Abell. This was approved.

After some discussion, Christine Buckman was asked to prepare a sheet giving information about this Meeting House, to be given out to visitors.


There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet, as way opens, January 2, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, First Month 2, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Property and Business.
The Tenth Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
James J. Winder presented the report of the Social Service Committee for the year ending December 31, 1971. This report was as follows:

Balance on hand 1/1/71 1.29

Receipts:

| Monthly Meeting | 110.00 |
| Woodlawn Contributions | 81.10 |
| **Total** | **221.10** |

Disbursements:

| Kenya TB Hospital | 25.00 |
| Friendship House | 25.00 |
| United Church Women - Camp Program | 25.00 |
| Friendsville Academy | 40.00 |
| Hopkins Settlement House | 50.00 |
| Baltimore Yearly Meeting - Indian Affairs Comm. for Baltimore Cultural Center | 50.00 |
| **Total Disbursements** | **215.00** |

Balance on hand 12/31/71 $6.39

The report was approved by the Monthly Meeting, with appreciation.

The Trustees reported that they had held two meetings, one to consider the budget for 1972, and one to organize. They presented a budget similar to that of 1971, but $510.00 higher, due to increases to AFSC, Pendle Hill, Friends General Conference and Social Service, and an increase of $100.00 in our Yearly Meeting Assessment. They have appointed the same officers as last year. The Meeting approved this report.

It was decided to contribute $250.00 to the Yearly Meeting Building Fund.

We had an interesting report on Camp Catoctin.

It was announced that Ethel Wilkinson had send us a contribution of $100.00, which will be placed in the graveyard fund.

The Meeting was advised of the death of our member, Mary Stocking on December 5, 1971. After some discussion it was decided to plant a pink dogwood tree in the Meeting House grounds in her memory.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet as way opens February 6, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Second Month 6, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Silent Worship and Ministry. The First Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Meeting was advised that a letter of appreciation had been received from Beth Abell for the $120.00 sent her, representing the Members Need Fund.

Ministry and Oversight Committee reported that John Keddy has asked to be relieved of the Chairmanship of the Committee, although he is willing to continue to be a member. It was decided to ask Christine Buckman to convene the committee and have a new Chairman appointed.

A letter was received from the Yearly Meeting stating that they feel it is time to give consideration to the desirability of preparing for the discussion, and the eventual adoption of a statement of our faith and practice. Accordingly, the Executive Committee has directed that a workshop-study group be convened prior to Spring Committee Day to discuss the need for a new Discipline. The suggested time is Saturday, March 11, 1972, from 11:00 to 1:00, at Stony Run Meeting House, 5116 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md. The Snow Date to be March 12.

We are asked to appoint one or two members to attend, prepared to comment on three areas:

1. The attitude of this Meeting with regard to the preparation of a draft Discipline.

2. Willingness themselves, as members, to serve on a Discipline Committee.

3. Suggestions to the Yearly Meeting of the names of two Friends who would undertake this service for the Monthly Meeting.

The Meeting heard with approval the article written by Christine Buckman for a leaflet to be printed and distributed to visitors regarding this meeting. Since a picture of the meeting house on the front would be desirable, it was decided to ask Mary Ward if she would be willing to make a sketch.

A letter from the Miles White Beneficial Society was read. They are announcing that they will be receiving applications for a $1,000.00 scholarship for the school year 1972-73 to a resident member of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, to go to the college or university of his or her choice. These applications must be filed by April 1, 1972.
A letter from the committee charged with the responsibility of preparing an exhibit for the 300th Anniversary of Yearly Meeting was read. They have two primary areas to develop. There will be a large map showing all the past and present meetings which over the centuries have been a part of Baltimore Yearly Meeting. They ask anyone in this meeting who may be able to provide information in writing about our or other meetings which once existed in our area. Perhaps some printed information is available. They want such information in the next few weeks.

Secondly they want to have an interesting exhibit of artifacts, including such items as early clothing, Journals, farm tools, ancient minutes, pictures of contemporary and abandoned Meeting Houses and any additional items which Friends may have and may feel to be of general interest. These items should be carefully marked for identification, and will be stored in the former Book Room and New Chapel, where these items will be safe. They should be brought to Yearly Meeting by a member of the Meeting and returned in the same way. They would like to have all information sent to Oscar E. Bonny, Homewood Friends Meeting.

We were pleased to have Don Whitley with us, and to hear a short talk by him.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, March 5, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meetinghouse, Woodlawn, Virginia Third Month 5, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Civic Relations.
The Eleventh Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Ellis Williams, Clerk of Baltimore Yearly Meeting was in attendance, and spoke briefly on Yearly Meeting matters. He reported that the building at Sandy Spring has now been paid for. He spoke of the new Discipline which is being planned. He discussed the program for the 300th Yearly Meeting this summer. The discussion there will be an outgrowth of the St. Louis Conference and they plan to have all four groups that were involved in this conference represented at Yearly Meeting.

The Committee of Ministry and Counsel reported that they had held a meeting and had appointed Christine Buckman to act as Chairman.

The Executive Sub-committee of the Yearly Meeting has directed that a workshop-study group be convened prior to Spring Committee Day, on Saturday, March 11, at Stony Run Meeting House. Horace and Christine Buckman will try to attend to represent this Meeting.

It was reported that the leaflet to be printed and distributed to visitors of this Meeting House is being worked on.

The report on the State of the Meeting was discussed, and will be prepared and fifty copies made for distribution at the Half-yearly Meeting to be held in May at Center Meeting in Winchester.

Letters of appreciation for our contributions have been received from the American Friends Service Committee, Pendle Hill, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Friends Council on Education.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens, April 2, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Second Month 2, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A report on the Workshop-Study Group held in Baltimore on March 11, 1972 was given by Christine Buckman. Representatives of sixteen Monthly Meetings met at Stony Run Meeting House the afternoon of March 11, 1972 to discuss the re-writing of the Book of Discipline of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting. Harry Scott acted as chairman. It was agreed that since the two Baltimore Yearly Meetings had combined a new Discipline was needed. A decision was reached to begin with the Queries and the Business portions. The Monthly Meetings will be asked to work on the Queries, and the Yearly Meeting Committees will be asked to take up the Business Section.

There was some discussion of the report on the Baltimore meeting. It was felt that we might discuss the Queries in Monthly Meeting, in accordance with the plan of the Workshop-Study Group. It was suggested that we discuss one Query each month. The thought was expressed that we should try to strengthen ourselves, and not look to John Keedy for guidance, and that such discussion would help us. It was felt that it would be a good idea to obtain a copy of the new New York Yearly Meeting Discipline, for comparison with our own.

The report on the State of the Meeting was read by Christine Buckman, and was approved by the Meeting. The Executive Committee of Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting has decided not to have the State of the Meeting reports read at the May session. Instead they are asking each Monthly Meeting to have at least 50 copies of its report duplicated and available at 10:00 A.M. on Sunday, May 21, at Center Meetinghouse, Winchester, Va. These will be given out to any who wish them. They also request that someone from each Meeting be prepared to present one item from their Meeting's report which they think is the most significant. This person should also be prepared to answer questions about the report and help in the discussion of ways we can deepen the spiritual life of individuals and of Meetings. The Monthly Meeting felt that we should speak of the use of our meeting house by the G. I. Movement of Fort Belvoir, which seems to be a significant item.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet as way opens May 7, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fifth Month 7, 1972

The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations, Scriptures and Recreation. The Sixth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that fifty copies of the Report on the State of the Meeting have been prepared and will be taken to the Half-Yearly Meeting at Winchester, Virginia, for distribution.

It has been ascertained that several copies of the New York Yearly Meeting Book of Discipline are in the Library of the Friends Meeting of Washington, so that we will be able to secure one in our study of the Queries.

A letter from the Friends General Conference was read. This letter asked that we encourage people of all ages to attend the General Conference at Ithace, New York this Summer, and that the Meeting try to make financial aid available to those members and attenders who want to attend the Conference, but need assistance to do so. The Conference does have some scholarship and Work-grant aid, and enclosed application blanks for these.

It was reported that the loan which this Meeting made to the National Council for Prevention of War over thirty years ago is now about to be paid, and that although we may not receive the full amount, we shall receive more than we had expected to receive.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting was read, stating that they regret to advise that the Committee on Exhibits for the 300th anniversary of the Yearly Meeting has been laid down, as they were unable to find individuals who were willing to take responsibility for specific assignments, and under these conditions it would be difficult or impossible to accomplish much in this area.

There was considerable discussion caused by the accidental death of a member of Langley Hill Monthly Meeting. There had been some talk of her being buried at Woodlawn, but it was dropped. However, the Meeting felt that we should prepare to meet such situations, and that there should be some consideration by the Property Committee or some other group as to what should be done if any sudden need arise in future.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens, June 4, 1972.

Clerk
6-4-1972

At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia Sixth Month 4th, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation.
The 12th Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
A report on the Half-yearly Meeting held at Winchester, Virginia was given by the attenders from this meeting.
We were given an account of the Catoctin Week of fun and work, to be held from June 30 - July 9. This will be to get the camp in shape for this summer, and all who can are asked to come and help.

A letter from Heather MacNamara was read asking if this meeting could give her financial assistance, either a grant or a loan, to help her to spend a year's study in philosophy and classics at Athens, Greece this coming year. She has been awarded a stipend by College Year in Athens, but will need additional financial support. She states that she is financially independent from her parents, and has been financing her own education by full and part time jobs, scholarships and social security benefits. After some discussion it was decided to write her and ask how much financial aid she requires. We are not able to offer loans, but we might be able to help.

There was some discussion of the need for more information on the cemetery and what space is available. Horace Buckman has a plat, and copies should be made for other members of the Cemetery Committee.

It was decided to award the $50.00 on the Budget for Camps and Conferences to Molly Ward, who is taking her children to the Conference at Ithaca, New York.

An additional appropriation of $500.00 was awarded to the Property Committee for the care of the meeting property. There is need to buy a power mower.

It was decided to adjourn for the summer months, as has been done for the past several years, with the understanding that, should need arise, the Clerk is authorized to call a special meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned for the summer, to meet, as way opens October 1, 1972.

Clerk
At a special called meeting of Alexandria Monthly Meeting, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia Seventh Month 2, 1972.

Our member, John L. Keddy having died on Sixth Month 11, 1972, it was felt by the Ministry and Council Committee that a memorial minute for him should be prepared, approved by this Meeting and Friends Meeting of Washington, and by the Potomac Half-yearly Meeting, and forwarded to Baltimore Yearly Meeting this year. Accordingly a memorial minute was prepared by Christine Buckman, Chairman of the Committee of Ministry and Council. This minute was read to this special called monthly meeting, which approved the minute, and directed that it be forwarded.

As representative to Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the following were appointed:

Josephine T. Howard
Bertha S. Buckman
Rachel Winder
Anne Winder
Alice W. Smith

There was much discussion of the graveyard plot.

Elois Rogers spoke of the destruction caused by Hurricane Agnes in parts of Alexandria. It was decided to contribute $25.00 to the Salvation Army to be used in their relief work with the sufferers.

Mary Ward thanked the Meeting for helping her attend the Friends General Conference at Ithaca, New York, and reported that it had been a pleasant and profitable experience.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet as way opens on Sunday, October 1, 1972 at Woodlawn Meeting House.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Tenth Month 1, 1972.

The reading from the discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Charles Harker, a member of Adelphi Meeting and a member of the Board of Quaker House, gave us an interesting talk on the work Quaker House is doing. He told of the need by Quaker House for additional funds for the remainder of this year. After New Year some extra funds will be available, but at present they are in need of help. After this talk there was a question hour and an interesting discussion took place.

Reports on Yearly Meeting were given by representatives and others.

James J. Winder reported on Catoctin Week. He said the attendance was small, but a great deal of work got done. He also told us of the four-week session at Camp Catoctin this summer, which was one of the best ever held there. There were more applicants than could be accommodated.

Mary Ward presented pictures of Woodlawn Meeting House which she had made, one of which was selected to be used on the front of the folder on this Meeting which is being prepared. The Meeting expressed much appreciation for the work that Mary Ward has done.

There being no other business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, on November 6, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, 11th Month 7th, 1972.

The reading from the Discipline was on Religious Fellowship. The Seventh Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was decided that, beginning in January, we would consider the First Query, and would continue to consider them in numerical sequence throughout the year, and thereby attempt to fulfill the request of the Yearly Meeting that each monthly meeting prepare a set of questions or queries expressive of our deepest religious convictions as they relate to the guidance of our lives and of our meetings.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting. They asked whether the meeting should contribute $500.00 to Quaker House at this time. The meeting approved of doing so.

A letter was read from Marvin Fair, who asked that this meeting appoint a representative to the Executive Committee of the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting. The meeting asked Jean Winder to continue to serve on this Committee. Programs of the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting which will be held in Washington on November 19 were circulated. The Langley Hill Meeting will be hosts.

There was much discussion of the need for a sign to show the way to Woodlawn Meeting House. It was suggested that we contact the Highway Department to see if we could get it put on the right of way. It was also suggested that perhaps the Historical Society could get a sign for us. The Meeting asked that these possibilities be investigated.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens on December 3, 1972.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, First Month 7, 1973.

The reading from the Discipline was on Silent Worship and Ministry. The First Query was read and considered. The First Query from the Book of Discipline of New York Yearly Meeting was read and considered also. After much discussion it was decided that the First Query of Baltimore Yearly Meeting is quite good, but that receptivity should be stressed.

With regard to putting up a sign showing the way to Woodlawn Meeting House, it was reported that we have not been forbidden to put up a sign, although it is not according to law. We have been told that all churches do it, and unless someone complains, the signs are never taken down. The Meeting therefore decided to go ahead and put up a sign.

We were informed that an article on Woodlawn and this Meeting House is about to be put out.

The Meeting was informed of the death of Lewis Meriam, one of our members.

A letter from the Miles White Beneficial Society was read. This letter asks that we call attention to the offer of a scholarship in the amount of $1,200.00 for the school year of 1973-74 offered to a resident member of Baltimore Yearly Meeting to go to the college or university of his or her choice. The qualifications governing the award will be the character, previous scholastic standing and apparent ability of the applicant to benefit by further school work. The need of an applicant is a very important qualification. Only applications filed by April 1, 1973 will be considered.

The Trustees reported that they had held their annual meeting to consider the budget. The budget which they submitted shown an increase of $300.00 over last year. The Meeting approved this budget.

It was reported that the Meeting has received $500.00 from the estate of Mary Stocking.

The report of the Building and Grounds Committee for 1972 was given. This report shows as follows:

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This report was approved.
The report of the Social Service Committee was presented, as follows:

Balance on hand January 1, 1972  $3.39
Received from Monthly Meeting  240.00
Contributions  265.00
Disbursements  270.00

Balance on hand  $5.00

The Meeting approved this report.

We were advised of the conference on Simplicity to be held March 9, 1973. We were told that the Nominating Committee will present its report at the next meeting.

The suggestion was made that we consider revising some of our committees, combining the work of some and eliminating others. This will be considered in more detail in the future.

There being no further business to be considered, after a period of silence the meeting was concluded to meet as way opens on February 4, 1973.

Clerk

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship.

The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Nominating Committee submitted its report. This was approved with appreciation. They are considering the possibility of combining the Committees of Ministry and the Overseers. This matter will be brought up at a later date.

It was reported that 18 x 24-inch signs, showing the way to the Meeting House, have been put up. These will be tried out, and if they are accepted, we can put more information on them.

We were given a short talk on William Penn House by one of our visitors.

There being no further business to be considered, after a period of silence the meeting adjourned, to meet as way opens March 4, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Third Month 11th, 1973.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting to organize, and had reappointed the same officers as last year. They have asked Mary S. Ward to act as Assistant Treasurer of the Monthly Meeting, and she has consented to serve. The Meeting approved the report of the Trustees, with appreciation. The Nominating Committee presented its report in full. This report was approved by the Meeting with appreciation for their good work.

There was discussion of the Half-Yearly Meeting, which will be held at Goose Creek Meeting House on May 20th. As this is one of our smaller meetings today, and that they plan to have the luncheon catered, we were asked by one of our members whether we should not offer to contribute to the cost, since Alexandria Monthly Meeting is unable to entertain the Half-Yearly Meeting, and we could assist in this way. We would be willing to use all or part of the $75.00 budgeted for Half-Yearly Meeting and Travel, and we decided to ask Jean Winders to advise them of our offer to help with the cost of serving the lunch.

Concern was expressed that our member, Dorothy Davidson, has not been with us for several months, and it was felt that we should get in touch with her.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet as way opens April 1, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fourth Month 1, 1973.

The reading from the discipline was on Sincerity and Simplicity.

The Fourth Query was read and considered.

A report on Dorothy Davidson, who has been unable to attend recently because of arthritis, was given. She hopes to be able to attend soon, and she sent greetings to all at Monthly Meeting.

The Meeting received a certificate of membership for Arthur M. and Marie Cowden and their son Matthew, from Lester Bowles, Clerk of the Monthly Meeting of Augusta, Georgia. Their infant son, Mark, was also made a member. The Meeting expressed pleasure in welcoming these new members, and asked Mary and Leonard Ward to welcome them into the Meeting.

James Winder suggested that this meeting might offer to contribute toward the cost of the luncheon to be served at the Half-Yearly Meeting at Goose Creek Meeting House on May 20, 1973. There was general approval of giving any amount up to $75.00, and Jean Winder was asked to speak to Ann Parsons and find out whether this would meet with the approval of Goose Creek Monthly Meeting.

A letter was received from Arnold Vaught, reminding us that the Report on the State of the Meeting will be due at Half-Yearly Meeting on May 20, 1973. As of last year, they are requesting that 50 copies of this report be taken to the Half-Yearly Meeting for distribution, and that one person from this meeting come prepared to discuss the most outstanding item of general interest in the report. The report is being prepared, and will be presented for approval at our next monthly meeting.

James J. Winder gave us an interesting report of the proceedings at Committee Day, March 31. It was definitely decided that Yearly Meeting shall continue to be held at Westminster, and not moved to Sandy Spring, as has been suggested, there being a strong feeling that it would be unwise to hold too many things in one place. It was also decided that the Chairman of the Yearly Meeting Executive Committee should be appointed by the old Committee, and not to postpone this appointment until after the new Committee is appointed.

The Meeting was told that Leonard and Mary Ward have given a highchair to the Woodlawn Meeting. The Meeting expressed its appreciation of this needed gift.
There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we were adjourned, to meet, as way opens, May 6, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fifth Month 6, 1973

The reading from the Discipline was on Moderation. The Fifth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A report of the Executive Committee of the Yearly Meeting on the Queries was given. After some discussion the Monthly Meeting approved of keeping the Fifth Query as it is now.

Mary and Leonard Ward, who had been appointed at the last meeting to welcome the Cowden family into the Meeting had been unable to serve, and as a new committee the Meeting named Carolyn De Wilde and Horace and Christine Buckman. It was reported that all arrangements for the lunch to be served at Goose Creek Half-Yearly Meeting had been taken care of, and they had no need for a contribution from this Meeting.

The Report on the State of the Meeting which had been prepared was read and approved. We were advised that the Half-yearly Meeting wanted fifty copies for distribution, and James Winder offered to have these copies made. The Half-yearly Meeting requested that someone be appointed to discuss one item of the report, and Horace Buckman was asked to do this.

James J. Winder gave a report on Camp Catoctin. He told us that they are in bad shape there. New equipment is much needed. The young people of the Yearly Meeting are trying to raise funds for this purpose.

It was reported that last year's appropriation for School Scholarships had not been used. We were informed that the Mary Walcott-Lucy Foster Educational Fund of the Friends Meeting of Washington was in need of funds to meet the requests for help, and the Monthly Meeting, after some discussion, decided to send this $600.00 appropriation to them at this time.

We were told that the Yearly Meeting is trying to sell all remaining copies of Bliss Forbush's book A HISTORY OF BALTIMORE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS. We decided to purchase 6 copies of this book and 6 copies of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting's Book of Discipline, and give a copy of each to any new members.

There being no further business to come before the Monthly Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, June 3, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn, Virginia, Sixth Month third, 1973:

The Overseers reported that they had held a meeting, and suggested that the $800.00 for Education and the $120.00 from the Members Need Fund be given to Carolyn B. DeWilde and her son for this year. The Meeting approved.

The Meeting approved of adjourning the Monthly Meeting for the summer months, as has been done for several years, with the understanding that, should need arise, a special meeting will be called.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens on October 6, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Tenth Month 7, 1973:

The reading from the Discipline was on Property and Business. The Tenth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was reported that all of our representatives to Yearly Meeting had been in attendance. Reports on Yearly Meeting were given by the representatives and others.

A letter from Herbert Brown was read. This letter stated that Alexandria's assessment for 1974 was $2,500.00.

A letter from James Hunter was read. This told of the growing concern that Baltimore Yearly Meeting give serious attention to geriatric problems and retirement planning within the Yearly Meeting membership. A committee is to be appointed to work on these matters, and each monthly meeting is asked to approve a representative to serve on this committee.

A letter from the Friends Committee on National Legislation, expressing appreciation for our increased contribution and telling of their increasing needs, was read to the monthly Meeting.

It was announced that the final payment on the Frederick Libby loan has been received.

It was announced that a gift of $50.00 has been received from Dorothy Branson White, as a memorial to her mother, Ellen M. Branson. Appreciation was expressed for this contribution.

With regard to the application for membership which had been received from Patricia Coulliette, the committee which had been appointed to call on her, consisting of Elois Rogers and Christine Buckman, gave favorable reports. Christine Buckman, who was away, sent in a written report, stating that she approved of accepting Patricia Coulliette into membership.

Elois Rogers reported that Patricia was a seeker, and that she approved of taking her into membership. We have also received a letter from Paul and Patricia Coulliette asking that their son, Jacques Paul Coulliette be taken into membership. The Meeting approved of both requests, and appointed Jean Winder and Mary Ward as a committee to welcome them into the Meeting.

The Meeting approved of awarding the $75.00 for Half-yearly Meeting and Travel Expenses to Rachel Winder.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens November 4, 1973.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, First Month Second, 1973.

The reading from the Discipline was on Peace and Cooperation. The Twelfth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

With regard to the growing concern that Baltimore Yearly Meeting give serious attention to geriatric problems and retirement planning within the Yearly Meeting membership, and the request that each monthly meeting approve a representative to serve on the committee to work on these matters, the appointment of Jean Winder has been approved and forwarded.

James J. Winder reported that he and Bertha Buckman had been asked to meet with Faith Libby and James Finucane with regard to laying down the National Council for Prevention of War. The National Council has given to this Meeting nearly all the funds they have received from legacies. It is their hope that the Meeting will approve of their spending sufficient funds from the small sum they still have to preserve the records of the National Council for Prevention of War permanently, and store them in the Peace Section in the Swarthmore Library. Any funds not needed for this purpose will be sent to Alexandria Monthly Meeting. The Meeting approved of this action.

Mary Ward reported that she and Jean Winder had welcomed Patricia Coulliette and her son, Jacques Paul Coulliette into the meeting.

Reports on Committee Day were given by Josephine Horard and James Winder. The meetings were again urged to send in reports on the Queries. Only a few meetings have responded.

The resignation of Dan Whitley from his position was reported.

A report on the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting, held at Adelphi Meeting, was given.

Letters from Adelphi Meeting, Baltimore Monthly Meeting and Langley Hill Monthly Meeting were read, all of which were concerned with the moral leadership of our country.

A letter from Pendle Hill was read, which asked for wider Meeting support.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting Peace Committee asked that this Meeting appoint a meeting member whom the Peace Committee can contact when there is need to take urgent action.
A letter was received from the Fairfax County Historical Society asking whether they might hold their January meeting in this Meeting House. They would like to have someone speak briefly on the Meeting House and Friends. Horace Buckman was asked to take charge of this matter.

The annual report of William Penn House was read.

It was announced that the Trustees would hold their annual meeting at the Meeting House on January 6, 1974, after lunch.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens, January 6, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia First Month sixth, 1974.

The reading from the Discipline was on Silent Worship and Ministry. The First Query was read.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A letter from Evelyn Bradshaw, Secretary-Treasurer of the All Virginia Friends Conference, was read, which asked that we:

1. Name a correspondent who is interested in more communication among Friends in Virginia

2. Make a modest contribution of $5.00 for 1974 to help defray costs of correspondence and of resource leaders for the 1974 conference, which she hopes some of us will want to attend.

3. Suggest topics and/or resource leaders for future conference meetings.

The meeting authorized sending her $5.00, as requested.

A letter was received from Lois Vaught, requesting that the Report on the State of the Meeting be prepared and sent to the Yearly Meeting office by March 15, 1974.

The Executive Committee of the Half-year Meeting reported that the next meeting will be held at Hopewell Meeting House in May. They request that 50 copies of the Report on the State of the Meeting be prepared, as of last year. They request that a member of each meeting be appointed to talk for five minutes on some current problem. This might be on something from the Report on the State of the Meeting Report. The name of this person is to be sent to Doris Brown in advance. They suggest that Meeting for Worship be held at 10:00 A.M. and the forenoon session at 11:00, and ask our opinion.

The Meeting discussed what problem should be spoken of. It was suggested that oral participation in meetings might be appropriate.

Horace Buckman presented the financial statement for 1973. This statement showed:

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This report was approved.
The report of the Trustees was given by James J. Winder. They had met and prepared a budget of $9,645.00 for 1974. The same officers were continued. The meeting approved this report.

The Nominating Committee presented its report, except for appointments to the Joint Peace Committee, which will lie open until we see what are the results in Florida Avenue. This report was approved.

The Social Service Report was presented by James J. Winder. This report was approved. A letter from Carolyn DeWilde was read, thanking the meeting for their help.

It was suggested that during Monthly Meetings provision should be made for classes for the small children. The meeting approved of this suggestion, and Christine Buckman will try to find helpers who will conduct such classes.

The Yearly Meeting is still requesting that all meetings send in reports on the Queries. It was suggested that at the next Monthly Meeting we discuss the Queries. The meeting approved.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, February 3, 1974.

Clerk
of the meeting. It was felt that some kind of a chain should be organized to keep in touch by telephone. The meeting approved of this, and plans will be made to carry this out.

The meeting then had a further discussion of the Queries, and a short statement of our views on the subject was read to the meeting, which directed that it be sent to the Yearly Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens April 7, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Second Month 3, 1974.

The reading from the Discipline was on Prayer and Divine Relationship. The Second Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

James J. Winder suggested that the Meeting give an additional $200.00 to Carolyn DeWilde toward payment of her son’s tuition. The Meeting approved.

Three letters were read to the Meeting: one telling of the meeting to be held at Goose Creek Meeting House on January 20, 1974 by peace committees, one from the Maryland Friends Counsel, and one from the National Highways Safety Division of Virginia asking that we observe National Highway Safety Sunday on February 21.

The report on the Spiritual State of the Meeting was read by Christine Buckman. This report was approved and is to be sent to the Yearly Meeting Office at Sandy Spring before March 15, 1974. Fifty copies are to be sent to the Half-yearly Meeting at Hopewell, in May.

It was reported that no conclusion had been reached regarding classes for the children while Monthly Meetings are being held.

A report was given on the meeting of the Fairfax Historical Society which was held here on January 21, 1974. This was reported to have been a good meeting which aroused much interest.

There was much discussion of the Queries. Many interesting remarks were made, but no definite conclusions were reached. This matter will be taken up again at the next meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens March 3, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Third Month third, 1974.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Application. The Third Query was read and considered. Quite a discussion took place, as it was felt that the Query and the Advices did not agree.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

It was a great privilege to have Evelyn Bradshaw with us. She spoke about the All Virginia Friends Conference which will be held this year. The arrangements have not been completed as yet. They are seeking to find another meeting place, where cheaper accommodations may be obtained. Three places are being considered.

James J. Winder gave a report on Camp Catoctin and its needs.

A letter from Guilford College was read, which informed us of a concern of importance to Young Friends. Guilford is again offering aid to qualified students who wish to attend Guilford. They offer to match any amount up to $500.00 that our Monthly Meeting will offer to any of our students. They will match grants for more than one student from a meeting.

A letter was received from the Friends General Conference, saying that they hoped many of our members were including the 1974 Ithaca General Conference of Friends in their summer and vacation plans. They would like to encourage car pooling, and hope each meeting will work out an effective system to help the car pool. Copies of the advance program will soon be mailed.

It was reported that several people have shown interest in this meeting. Adeline Galusha, a non-Friend, who has no car, is living west of Alexandria, and has telephoned to ask whether we have a bus to carry people to Woodlawn, or whether we could find someone to bring her. At present, no one who attends Woodlawn lives near her.

Arthur and Mary Jordan and their three children, Friends from Pennsylvania, are coming to Washington, and hope to find a home South of Alexandria, convenient to Arthur's work. At the time they called, they had not been able to locate a suitable home.

Edward and Mennie Smith, who have recently moved into Fairfax County, have been invited to transfer their membership here, and are considering the matter.

Due to the great amount of sickness this winter, and the fact that several of our members have been ill without the Meeting having knowledge of it, we feel concerned that we should keep in closer touch with the members
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fourth Month 7, 1974.

The reading from the Discipline was on Sincerity and Simplicity.

The Fourth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

Evelyn Bradshaw, who was present, reported that she had visited Adaline Galusha, who is located not far from Langley Hills Meeting. She reported that the All Virginia Friends Conference will be held at Camp Tapawingo, Manassas, Virginia, the second weekend in October.

James J. Winder gave a report on Camp Catoctin and its needs. They are in urgent need of funds, but after discussion it was decided that, since we have already sent them our yearly contribution, we will decide at a later date whether to make an additional contribution.

We were given a report on the Executive Committee Meeting of the Yearly Meeting, which considered the Yearly Meeting Budget. They are planning a major revision of the allocation to Monthly Meetings. Some objection has been raised to using income from sources other than individual contributions in determining the allocation, so they will try to use membership only. It is expected that there will have to be an increase in the budget next year.

A report on the Peace Committee Meeting at Goose Creek Meeting House last month was read.

There was a discussion of how best to keep in touch with our members, so we may know of their needs. This will be brought up again at our next meeting.

It was reported that we have lost the services of Jesse Duvall, who has taken care of the building and grounds at Woodlawn for many years, and is now too old to continue. It will be necessary, though difficult to find a replacement.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet, as way opens May 5, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fifth Month fifth, 1974.

The reading from the Discipline was on Moderation.

The Fifth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and considered.

It was reported that Adeline Galusha has started attending Langley Hills Meeting.

A letter from Herbert Brown was read. This letter enclosed a tentative budget for 1975. Also enclosed was a form for a survey of information on Membership and Finance for 1973, which the Stewardship and Finance Committee of the Yearly Meeting asks that the Monthly Meeting fill out and return. James J. Winder volunteered to fill out and return this Survey of Information.

Letters of appreciation for our annual contributions were received from:

The Friends General Conference, enclosing their annual report
Herbert M. Hadley for the Friends World Committee
James Lenhart for the Friends Journal
Thomas S. Brown for the Friends Council on Education

A letter from Jeanne S. Newman reported that the questionnaire which went out with the Interchange had met with a favorable response, but more participation is desired. She enclosed an extra supply of forms, and urged that members and attenders of our meeting be asked to respond if they have not already done so.

A letter from the Baltimore Yearly Meeting Peace Committee enclosed the minutes of their Committee meeting at Adelphi last month.

There was discussion of the program of the Half-Yearly Meeting to be held at Hopewell Meeting House on Sunday, May 19, 1974. It was decided that Horace D. Buckman would speak at the Symposium on Monthly Meeting Needs and Problems.

There was further discussion on how best to keep in touch with our members and their needs. It was suggested that Elois Rogers and Christine Buckman meet and set up some chain arrangement by which we may keep in touch with our members by telephone.

It was reported that the Trustees had held a meeting at which they had approved of giving $900.00 to John H. Dewilde toward his education.

It was announced that Arthur Cowden is willing to serve as a representative on the Yearly Meeting Peace Committee.

We were informed that Janice Greene has been employed as Associate
Secretary of the Yearly Meeting to replace Dan Whitley, who has resigned.

There being no further business to come before the Monthly Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned to meet, as way opens, June 2, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Sixth Month 2, 1974.

The Sixth Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
Reports were given on the proceedings of the Half-yearly Meeting, held at Hopewell, Virginia on May 19, 1974.

A letter was read from Jesse B. Yaukey, Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting, informing us that according to their records our share of the unsold copies of the History of Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends, written by Bliss Forbush to commemorate our 300th Anniversary was sixteen copies, at $3.00 each, or a total of $48.00. The Meeting authorized the payment of this $48.00.

A letter from Pendle Hill expressed their gratitude for our contribution.

There was some discussion of the need to keep in closer touch with our members. The suggestion was made that a chain cooperation be tried. Each Friend would make one telephone call and receive one. The matter was left for Christine Buckman and Elois Rogers to work out.

A letter was read from Hopkins House, in Alexandria, expressing their appreciation for our contribution to them. The meeting decided that we would continue to contribute to this organization.

We were advised that Woodlawn Mansion will celebrate Freedom of Religion Day on July 14th. They have asked for exhibits of the founding of this Meeting House. They have also invited the meeting members to come to the Mansion on the first Sunday of August to see the exhibit.

It was decided that we would adjourn for the summer months, as we have been doing, with the understanding that if any important matter during the summer, a special meeting will be called.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence, it was adjourned, to meet, as way opens October 6, 1974.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Tenth Month 6, 1974.

The meeting discussed the newest weapon system proposal of the Department of Defense, the B-1 bomber, which promises to be the most expensive weapon system ever built. Friends are discussing this throughout the country, and we have received three letters from other meetings opposing this weapon, two from the Northern Half Yearly Meeting of Friends, which consists of meetings in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Illinois, and one from the A.F.S.C. This proposal will be decided in 1976. The meeting decided to give these letters to the Peace Committee.

We received a report of the Yearly Meeting Social Order Committee.

Letters were received from Janice Greene, the new Associate Secretary of the Yearly Meeting, regarding a change in the format of the Interchange, so that it will become a more readable and modern publication from the Yearly Meeting to its members and attendees, and from meeting to meeting.

There is much concern regarding the Friends' situation in Korea, where religious, social and political freedom have been virtually destroyed since the imposition of the 1972 Constitution and some presidential decrees issued since January, 1974. There is need for communications of support and contributions.

Copies of a preliminary draft of proposed Yearly Meeting Queries, as considered at the recent Yearly Meeting session, have been received and distributed.

At Yearly Meeting in 1974, a concern for Native Americans was expressed. One program was specifically recommended - a program initiated by Nebraska Yearly Meeting, for a Friend-in-Washington in 1975, on native American issues, associated with the Friends Committee on National Legislation. The Yearly Meeting urged that monthly meetings support this program financially, with a goal for the yearly meeting of $1,000.

A letter from the A.F.S.C. urged that the meeting support universal and unconditional amnesty by writing to President Ford and to our Senators and Congressmen.

We were advised that our Yearly Meeting quota for 1975 will be $2,500.

We were advised that the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting will be held at Florida Avenue Meeting House on Sunday, November 17, 1974. Copies of the program were sent to us for distribution.
The meeting was told that Frederick W. Popp has just celebrated his 72nd birthday. The meeting asked that a card be sent him from the meeting with our good wishes.

The need to keep in closer touch with our members is still being discussed. The meeting was advised of the death of Dorothy Davidson's sister.

There was discussion as to whether or not we should entertain the Half-Yearly Meeting at Woodlawn. It was felt that we could not do this until we had water on the premises.

We also discussed the need of a place to hold classes for children. It has been suggested that we might use one side of the meeting house; also that we might fix two rooms in the old horseshed; and also the possibility of building two rooms in a new building.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens November 3, 1974.

Bertiea S. Buckman
Clerk

addition to existing bldg.
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fourth Month 6, 1975.

There was a reading from the Discipline on Prayer and Divine Relationship.
The Fourth Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
The death of Arthur W. Hummel, Sr. on March 10, 1975 was announced.
Members of this meeting and the Friends Meeting of Washington have been preparing a minute on Arthur W. Hummel, Sr., and the suggested minute was read to the meeting, which approved adopting it, with one minor change.
The meeting was reminded that we have been asked to appoint one of our members to speak for five minutes at the Half-Yearly Meeting which will be held at Goose Creek Meeting House on May 18, 1975, on the subject of our most urgent current concern. It was decided to bring this up at our next monthly meeting, when people’s plans would be more definite.
James Winder told us that he had delivered a plant to Dorothy Davidson from the meeting, and that she had been most appreciative.
Christine and Horace Buckman reported that they had attended Committee Day at Baltimore.

Horace Buckman reported that he had gotten in touch with the Engineer at Fort Belvoir, with regard to using their water and sewage, and had been told to write to the Commanding General. He reported that there is water within 73 feet of the Meeting House, if we can get permission to use it. There is a new Commanding Officer coming in at Fort Belvoir, which may or may not make a difference. We would, of course, pay the expense of obtaining the water. It was decided that the next thing to do is to telephone Fort Belvoir again.

James J. Winder said that we should have a sign saying "No potted plants in the graveyard". The meeting approved.

We received application blanks for Camp Catoctin, which we were told is nearly full and anyone wishing to go should apply immediately.
We received 50 copies of the Report on the State of the Meeting, to be taken to the Half-Yearly Meeting at Goose Creek.

Arthur Cowden presented preliminary plans for improving the Meeting House.

After a period of silence, the meeting adjourned, to meet, as way opens, May 4, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Fifth Month 4, 1975.

The reading from the Discipline was on Moderation. The Fifth Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The meeting was reminded that we had to appoint one of our members to speak for five minutes at the Half Years Meeting which will meet at Goose Creek Meeting House on May 18, 1975, the subject to be our most urgent current concern. After much discussion Bertha Buckman was asked to speak.

The meeting felt that the speaker should choose the subject.

Letters received from the American Friends Service Committee, the Friends Committee on National Legislation and the Friends World Committee for Consultation were read.

With regard to the improvement of the Meeting House, Horace Buckman reported that he had received a letter from Fort Belvoir, which said that when feasible they would arrange a meeting to give consideration to our request to use their water and sewer lines. Horace said that when the meeting decides what it wants, the committee will go ahead with the plans. No final decision has yet been made.

In response to the request of the F.C.N.L. that we appoint someone from the meeting to act as a contact with them, Patricia Coullette has expressed her willingness to serve in that capacity. The Meeting expressed its appreciation.

The meeting was advised of the death of Evelyn R. Popp, one of our members, on April 3, 1975.

Horace and Christine Buckman reported that they had attended the meeting of the Virginia Friends Conference held in Richmond, Va. last month, and gave a brief report. Evelyn Bradshaw gave us a report on what this group desires from Friends to have an influence, to sit on boards, and to speak up for what Friends believe.

We were pleased to have Janice Greene with us. She brought with her some material for the Religious Education Committee. We shall look forward to seeing her again.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet, as way opens, June 1, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Sixth Month 1, 1975:
The reading from the Discipline was on Family Relations and Scriptures.
The Sixth Query was read.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.
Reports were given on the Half-Yearly Meeting held at Goose Creek Meetinghouse, Lincoln, Virginia on May 18, 1975.
It was decided to appoint representatives to Yearly Meeting at the July Monthly Meeting.
A letter of appreciation from Hopkins House was read.
A letter from the Yearly Meeting told us of the proposed budget for 1976, and advised that there will be an increase in the allotment next year.
The meeting was advised that the Friends who are working on Religious Education wish to obtain several publications, and that Marshall Sutton has suggested that they subscribe to the Pendle Hill Bulletins. The meeting approved of the use of funds for these purposes.

It was reported that the books now in the meeting house have been catalogued by Colletta Crews. The meeting approved of sending her a note of thanks for her work.

It was decided that Horace Buckman, Arthur Cowden and James Winder will meet to make plans for alterations to the meeting house, and will get the floor plans drawn, so that we can find where we are going and get permits, etc.
We were told that Mollie Ward, Kevin and Nancy will represent this meeting at the Conference at Berea, Kentucky. The meeting approved of granting $120.00 towards their expenses.

It was decided that Monthly Meeting should be held in July this year, in order to hear the report on the building and take any action necessary. We wish to have as little delay as possible in going ahead with the work.

There being no other business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence, we adjourned, to meet, as way opens, July 6, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn, Virginia, Seventh Month 6th, 1975.

The reading from the Discipline was on Religious Fellowship. The Seventh Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A letter from Mary S. Ward was read, thanking the Meeting for the scholarship which will help make it possible for Kevin, Nancy and herself to attend the Friends General Conference at Berea. The Meeting felt very happy that we should be so well represented at the Conference.

A letter from Carolyn DeWilde was read, which told us that John DeWilde has had a very successful year at Gunston Hall. He received the award for Outstanding History Student, and brought home a final report card full of A's and B's. Carolyn expressed her gratitude for his opportunity to attend this school, and would like very much for John to continue there next year and gain additional help for his particular problems. The Meeting approved of granting him the scholarship for next year.

The following members were appointed to be representatives to Baltimore Yearly Meeting this summer:

Josephine T. Howard
Mary S. Ward
James J. and Jean Winder.

The Meeting was given a report on the meeting house building, and was shown a plan of what is proposed to be done. We were glad to learn that we have permission to get water from the Camp. We were told that the first step will be to get a contractor to put in the water line. Much discussion regarding the plans for building was carried on.

After consideration, it was decided that no useful purpose would be served by meeting in September.

There being no further business to transact at this time, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens, October 5, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Va. Tenth Month 5, 1975:

The reading from the Discipline was on Property and Business.
The Tenth Query was read and considered.
The minutes of the last meeting were read.

A report on Baltimore Yearly Meeting was given by Josephine T. Howard and others.

A report on the Friends General Conference at Berea, Kentucky, was given by Molly Ward. We greatly appreciated this excellent report. There were twice as many registrants as had been expected, causing many problems which were met with cheer and a friendly spirit. Friends from 37 states attended.

We regretted that the Virginia Friends Conference was in session at the time of this Monthly Meeting, and that none of us were able to be there. The Meeting approved our sending them a contribution of $25.00.

It was reported that Marie Cowden has been appointed Chairman of the Religious Education Committee.

The Committee of Ministry and Oversight reported that they had granted $873.00 to Marie Cowden for her first seminar this year. They have also granted $500.00 to Rebecca Winder who is attending Earlham College.

We were reminded that it is time to appoint our Trustee to Camp Catoctin, and the Meeting appointed James J. Winder.

Horace Buckman reported on the work which is being started here at the Meeting House. They have received final approval from Fort Belvoir on their request for water and sewer lines. Work on these will be started as soon as they find a satisfactory plumber.

Jean Winder sent word that the Half-Yearly Meeting was in need of money to pay the expenses of a speaker for the November meeting, and asked whether the Meeting would contribute the $75.00 allotted in the budget for Half-Yearly Meeting and Travel Expense. The Meeting agreed to give them this sum.

A letter from the Chairman of the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee was read. This letter asked that when vacancies arise, due to death, removal or resignation, the Chairman be notified, so that names to fill any vacancies be provided on each Committee Day.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet, as way opens, November 2, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Eleventh Month 2nd, 1975:

The first Provisional Query of Baltimore Yearly Meeting was read and discussed.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Meeting was advised that the Mount Vernon Social Center, a private organization which wants to take people from mental institutions and help them to adjust, has requested the use of the meeting house five days a week. It is felt that they will want more equipment than we are able to supply, so it is doubtful that we can assist them. We will tell them what we can do, and see if they are satisfied.

A letter from George School was read, which asked that we place the publications which they will send us where members of the Meeting can see them. They also enclosed pamphlets about scholarship aid, for parents of our 8th and 9th graders.

We are advised that the name of the Executive Committee of the Yearly Meeting will be changed to the Monthly Meeting Representatives Committee. This new committee will consist of the Chairmen of Committees and a representative from each meeting. An alternate for each representative should also be appointed.

We were given a very fine report on the Conference at Berea by Molly Ward.

Marie Cowden, Chairman of the Religious Education Committee, gave a report on what the Committee wished to give the children. The meeting was very appreciative of this report.

Jean Winder reported that the Half-Yearly Meeting would not require the $75.00 which we offered them.

The Building Committee reported that they hope they have found a satisfactory plumber. He has made an offer of $3,600.00 for fixtures, which seems very reasonable. Light and heat are the two big items in the work to be done. This report was followed by considerable discussion.

We were advised that Molly Ward has contributed a William Penn Kit to the new library.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned, to meet as way opens December 7, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Twelfth Month 7, 1975:

Section 1, B. of the Provisional Queries was read. The minutes of the last meeting were read.

James J. Winder gave a report on the Half-Yearly Meeting at Bethesda last month. The next meeting will be held at Winchester next spring.

The holly tree given to Woodlawn Meeting by Anthony Gould has been planted.

Evelyn Bradshaw gave a report on the Virginia Friends Conference held last month.

The meeting was informed of the death of our member, D. Waldo Brown, on October 11, 1975.

The Building Committee reported that plans for the building here at Woodlawn had been sent to Fairfax. The Committee was told that plans must be done by a regular architect. A registered architect went to Fairfax and was told that we did not exist. Horace Buckman talked to the Inspection Dept. in Fairfax. They said we must have a special use permit. This will take time. There must be thirty days' advertising when applying for permit. The plat shows we are in Fort Belvoir.

We have to have a new survey here. A surveyor in Springfield has made a survey, but has not filled it in. When survey is obtained we will have to get a registered architect to make plans. The Building Committee is at a standstill and will have to play along.

The Religious Education Committee has had no meeting. Expect to have one this month.

Our member, Dorothy Davidson, has moved to the following address:

Dorothy Davidson
Cheyenne Mountain Nursing Center
835 Tenderfoot Road
Colorado Springs, Colorado 80906

Kate Forman and T. R. James have requested that they be married at this meeting house on January 1, 1976. The meeting approved.

The Nominating Committee gave its report, which was approved.

Arthur Cowden suggested that we start holding meetings at Woodlawn twice a month. Perhaps committees might meet on the 1st and 3rd Sundays.

It was announced that the Trustees would meet on Saturday, December 13, at 2:30 o'clock.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens January 4, 1976.

Clerk
The regular Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends was held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Eleventh Month 3, 1974.

In the absence of the regular clerk Horace Buckman presided. The eleventh query was read from the Discipline. Since it concerns civic relations it seemed particularly appropriate just now with elections coming up next week.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected.

The chairman of Ministry and Oversight reported some members of the committee had been examining books looking for some that would be helpful in carrying out the committee's responsibility to minister to those bereaved. Also new members have asked for books more fully explaining Quakerism. The committee was instructed to continue its search for books that would answer to both needs. It was suggested the committee chairman write to the Friends Book Store in Philadelphia and request lists of available books and pamphlets. She was also instructed to call Edith Leeds, who would be able, to recommend pertinent material.

Social Service committee chairman reported he had sent a check for $25.00 to Jesse Yaukey for the Native American Friend-in-Washington program. Evelyn Bradshaw explained that the "Friend-in Washington" would have lobbying privileges and could be a big help to the Indians.

Property committee said a new roof had been put on the Meeting House porch which was beginning to leak. The grass-cutting boy has been released from service.

Under old business the question of whether we could entertain Half-Yearly Meeting was brought up and tabled.

The housing of our newly developing First Day School was discussed. The property committee was instructed to investigate the possibilities of getting water and sewer services and some idea of the cost of additional building.

Evelyn Bradshaw gave a comprehensive report of the All Virginia Friends Conference held October 12 and 13 near Manassas, More than 70 people attended, important business
was accomplished, all were pleased with the success of the session and they hope to expand by bringing in other Friends groups.

Discussion of the Preliminary Draft of Proposed Queries was carried over to the next meeting.

The need for a religious education committee was discussed and the nominating committee was instructed to submit names for such a committee. The number was left to the discretion of the nominating committee.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned following a period of silence, to meet, as way opens, Twelfth Month first, 1974.

Respectfully submitted,

Horace D. Buckman, presiding clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, First Month 5th, 1975:

The first query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Trustees reported that they had held a meeting, and had prepared a budget of $11,745.00 for 1975. This budget is the same as that of 1974 except for an increase in the amount allotted to education. The meeting approved this budget. The Trustees also reported that the trustees who had served in 1974 had been reappointed for 1975. The Meeting approved this report.

A letter from Ellis Williams, Chairman of the Yearly Meeting's Ministry and Council Sub-Committee on Queries, requested that suggestions and comments on Queries 1 and 2 should be received by the Committee by January 15, and on Queries 3 and 4 should be received by March 5, in order that they may be properly considered.

A letter from the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee was read. This letter asked that the Monthly Meeting suggest the names of members who are interested and willing to serve on committees. The following names were approved:

- Indian Committee: Josephine T. Howard
- Peace Committee: Arthur Cowden
- Executive Committee: James J. Winder

The Friends General Conference writes that this is their 75th year, and they enclose an outline which shows what they have done to strengthen the Society of Friends. They would deeply appreciate financial support. They also remind us that the Meeting House Fund's operation depends on our support.

A letter was received from the Friends World Committee for Consultation, which expressed its thanks to every member of meetings whose current budget includes a contribution to them.

Letters were received from the Friends Committee on National Legislation, Pendle Hill, Quaker Work at the United Nations, The American Friends Service Committee, Middle Atlantic Region, all of which requested additional financial aid for 1975.

Reports were given on the Half-Yearly Meeting held in November.

James J. Winder gave an interesting report of Fall Committee Day, and the actions taken there.
The report of the Social Service Committee was given for 1974, as follows:

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This report was approved by the Meeting.

The Property Committee reported for the year 1974. They are still considering the several possibilities with regard to supplying extra space for classrooms and for storage. Also they are trying to get water here, and intend to ask the Baptist Church whether they have tapped the sewer belonging to Belvoir. If so, we might be able to do the same. It was encouraging to find that Arthur Cowden is anxious to get in on the building plans.

The Nominating Committee presented its report, which is complete except for the Peace Committee, which is joint with Friends Meeting of Washington. The Meeting approved this report and expressed its appreciation for the work the Committee has done. After some discussion it was decided to add the name of Arthur Cowden to the Nominating Committee, and the name of Patricia Coulliette to the Religious Education Committee, for terms expiring in 1977.

The Committee of Ministry and Oversight reported that they are still continuing to work on the problem of keeping in closer touch with our members. They plan a round robin telephone scheme. They also want to get more members to stay to Monthly Meeting.

A letter of appreciation from Carolyn DeWilde was read, thanking the Meeting for their continued interest and support in John's education. She reports that he is making real progress.

The Yearly Meeting again requests that all meetings send in reports on the Queries. It was suggested that at the next Monthly Meeting we discuss the queries. The Meeting approved.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, after a period of silence we adjourned to meet, as way opens February 2, 1975.

Clerk
At Alexandria Monthly Meeting of Friends, held at Woodlawn Meeting House, Woodlawn, Virginia, Third Month Second, 1975.

The reading from the Discipline was on Principles and Applications. The Third Query was read and considered.

The minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Report on the State of the Meeting was read and approved. A copy of this Report is to be sent to the Yearly Meeting Office by March 10, 1975. Fifty copies of the report are to be taken to the Spring Session of the Potomac Half-Yearly Meeting, which will be held at Goose Creek Meeting House, Lincoln, Virginia, on May 18, 1975, beginning with the Meeting for Worship at 10:00 A.M. At 11:00 there will be a presentation by each Monthly Meeting of its most urgent current concern, which may or may not have been mentioned in the Report on the State of the Meeting. Five minutes will be allotted for each report. The name of the member making this report must be reported in advance to the Clerk, Doris E. Brown.

A letter from the Friends Committee on National Legislation was read. This letter expressed appreciation for our recent contribution. They said that such contributions show interest and commitment to their goals among Friends, and give them great encouragement. They also asked that we name a member of our Meeting to serve as a liaison, or Meeting contact.

Evelyn Bradshaw, who was present, spoke of the Virginia Friends Conference. They desire to have a more representative body. They are not trying to replace the Yearly Meeting, but want an organization in the State of Virginia. They plan to meet in Richmond, Virginia on April 26, 1975.

There was discussion of the needs of our members, and it was decided to send a card from the Meeting to Dorothy Davidson, who has been ill. James Winder offered to take her some flowers from the Meeting.

It was felt that we should not conduct committee meetings by telephone except in cases of necessity.

We were advised that a Social Concerns Workshop will be held at the Sandy Spring Community House on Saturday, April 5, 1975, at 9:30 A.M.

Horace Buckman reported for the Property Committee that he had checked with the Baptist Church and found that Fort Belvoir does supply water and sewage for them. He will contact the Post Engineer at Belvoir and see whether we can obtain this from them.

A letter of appreciation from Pendle Hill was read, which thanked us for our contribution to them.
James Winder gave us a report on Spring Committee Day. He also reported on Camp Catoctin.

A letter of appreciation from Marie Cowden was read, thanking the Meeting for helping with her tuition.

There being no further business to come before the Meeting, after a period of silence it was adjourned, to meet as way opens on April 6, 1975.

Clerk