

A Meeting of the Finance Committee was held 3rd month, 5th, 1940 at the home of Margaret T. Carey, with the following members present:

Donald B. Van Hollen

Lindley E. Parker

Margaret T. Carey

Jesse A. Stanfield

Alfred Townsend

Lillian M. Ely

and the Yearly Meeting Treasurer, who was requested to be present.

This year we felt that it was unwise to send a Yearly Meeting letter, asking for money to Baltimore Monthly Meeting members, as this would mean that two sources were soliciting the same people for the same thing at the same time. Baltimore Monthly Meeting had approved our Budget for the three funds: The United Budget, Evangelism and Current Expenses. We have \$2,000 more to raise on all three items, still.

It was at the Yearly Meeting in 1938 that Baltimore Monthly Meeting had reduced its pledge to the United Budget by \$500 (from 2,000 to \$1,500). This fact was again stated to Yearly Meeting in 1939 and to the Permanent Board in a special Meeting in 1940.

After much discussion of the foregoing, because of the ruling of the Permanent Board that such an appeal be made this year, the Finance Committee decided that the Yearly Meeting Treasurer should send the letter which he had prepared. This letter makes a special appeal for raising of sufficient money from Baltimore Monthly Meeting and other Meetings of the Yearly Meeting, to attain the \$4,000 goal of the Yearly Meeting for the United Budget.

The Chairman reported that ten or twelve persons had been written notes of appreciation of their interest; some were giving for the first time, some were new members and some were attenders who were contributing to our Budget.

He also stated that Alfred Townsend will be glad to work out Charts showing our financial goal and our standing in relation to that goal.

Next came a discussion relating to the sending of a letter to Monthly Meeting members, reminding them that we still have \$1,600 to raise for Evangelism and Current Expenses. Two members of the Committee are working to get a complete list of names of members of the Meeting. We want the Monthly Meeting to appoint a Committee to annually go over this list and add new names or take off deceased members' names, before the Recorder gives a statistical report to the Yearly Meeting.

When the list is completed, a small Committee will go over it for names of persons who have neither pledged nor given anything this year. Such persons as seem likely prospects will be visited. The Committee will have a memorandum of the amount of the Budget, how much is in sight and how much more is needed, in order to explain the finances of the Meeting intelligently.

The Meeting was adjourned.

Lillian M. Ely
Secretary pro tem.