we stand today in the midst of widespread materialism—a little handful of men and women called to be herald of the 'peaceable Gospel.' Around us even the churches seem to share in the false imperialism of the age. Is not the reproach of their silence laid upon us, that we, in their default, may once again bear practical testimony to the spiritual simplicity of the Kingdom of God, and the higher possibilities of human life?"

John Wilhelm Rowntree

"I am certainly a thorough Friend, and have inexpressible unity with the principle, but I also see room for real improvement amongst us; may it take place! I want less of money, less judging others, less tattling, less dependence upon external appearance. I want to see the fruit of the Spirit in all things, more devotion of heart, more spirit of prayer, more real cultivation of mind, more enlargement of heart towards all; more tenderness toward delinquents, and above all more of the rest, peace and liberty of the children of God."

Elizabeth Fry
Centering Down...

"The Quakers are not only forever done with ways of violence and external compulsion, but they are pledged as well to the formation of a new spirit in human lives. They see no ground for the expectation of right conditions of life until gentleness and tenderness, kindness and sympathy, love and a cooperative spirit, are formed within the heart. 'To labor for the perfect redemption from the spirit of oppression is the great business of the whole family of Christ in this world.' Woolman has here stated the heart of the matter. He saw with his sensitized soul that genuine Quaker service involves taking the way of the Cross very seriously. . . ."

—Rufus Jones

...And Witnessing

ERNEST BROMLEY, a Cincinnati Friend, continues to witness to the whole truth of the Quaker Peace Testimony by refusing to cooperate with the Internal Revenue Service and by steadfastly proclaiming that payment of taxes to support a budget that spends billions for military purposes is wrong. And he continues to feel the weight of the cross he is bearing.

The IRS moved to seize his and Marion Bromley's home (see FJ3/1 for details) on January 31. On February 10 Ernest began distributing leaflets outside the Federal Office Building in downtown Cincinnati. The leaflets simply and clearly stated the facts as the Bromleys and others saw them, and clearly and simply pointed out that more than half of the 1976 federal budget will be spent for war or war-related purposes. On March 5 he was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct and obstructing official business. While being transported to jail he received a two-inch cut on his head which officials could not explain. These charges were subsequently dismissed.

In this entire process Ernest Bromley has refused to recognize any authority of the IRS or the courts over himself. While he was in jail he fasted totally. When he is physically able, he intends to resume his witness.

The Executive Committee of Friends General Conference, meeting in Cincinnati the weekend of March 8-9, adopted a minute expressing general agreement that the arrest and charges are unjustified and supporting “these acts of conscience by Ernest Bromley and others that issue from leadings of the Spirit. Individual members of the Committee were encouraged to take specific actions in support of Ernest Bromley and Peacemakers.” These actions could include messages to the District Director of IRS and the Regional Commissioner of IRS, Federal Office Building, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.
The First Word

Does Simplicity Mean Simple Living?

ONE OF the basic Quaker testimonies is "simplicity." It goes along, we learned in First-day school, with community, equality and harmony in the Quaker creed of human behavior. But what does it really mean?

In 17th century England, Quakers (and many other reformist religious groups) were reacting against the excesses of the day—the licentiousness of the Court, the wealth of the Church, and "pagan" merrymaking of the Maypole dances and rather dionysian revels. Where was God? Surely if all this outward richness and worldly excitement were stripped away, the soul could more easily come into contact with its Maker, Redeemer and Friend—the Inward Christ which was before the world.

So Friends dressed simply, in gray or black, and did not celebrate the riotous holidays of their fellow English folk. They worshipped without music, without incense, without colored windows, without the changing vestments of the seasons, believing that every day was the Lord's. Anna Brinton once told me the story that children at Barnesville school in this country in the 1800's had classes on Christmas Day, the day being distinguished from all others only by the presence of a red apple on the children's breakfast plates! Quaker men of Philadelphia (and London) were said to have their expensive suits made of the finest cloth by the best tailors—but without lapels, of course. . . . What we today might call the "celebration of life" was notably absent from their outward lives—though to what richness grew within, many have testified.

In short, Quakers of the past believed in simplicity in order to bring them closer to God. This purpose for a simple life is as valid now as it was then, but today, we submit, there is another reason to be added, a compelling need to preserve and steward the world's resources and share fairly with other human beings.

In this issue several writers address themselves to that necessity. As you will see, answers to practical questions about simplicity in a complex world are far from simple.

For example, when we urge the "simple life" upon Friends, aren't we too concerned with being "effective"? And how can we be effective by recycling jars, wearing used clothing, eating vegetarian meals if the rest of the U.S. population is still in a throw-away mood? Aren't we a drop in the United States and Western world's pail?

It could be answered that we're not only concretely saving resources, tiny though they may be, but we're showing others around us that we can do so completely joyfully. "Hey, look what I found on the street! This perfectly reusable (whatever)!" The laughter and excitement are real, partly poking fun at our seriousness in recycling everything. "Look what I found in the Free Store!" Gales of laughter as I demonstrate that the beautiful purple cotton shirt "practically" fits me. We never did need cosmetics or hair spray. Our faces really can shine from within.

But that's not enough. Use less ourselves, have fun doing so . . . and then what? What can happen is that we are fired gradually with the need to bring this concern to those in high places, to throw out (light) weight against the habits of the world. Quakers have never been afraid to speak to kings (or senators). Today other religious groups are also being challenged from within by their members who, like us, realize what necessity is. We will be surprised, when we begin to act, how many there are who are with us. We can illumine our own sect and become part of the Movement—against hunger, for population limitation, for careful stewardship of metals, trees, coal, oil, gas, food. . . .

Yes, simplicity does mean simple living for Quakers of today. And we can be part of the wave of the future.

CYNTHIA ARVIO

Last fall Cynthia Arvio, whose comments appear in this space, moved into one of the houses in the Life Center here in Philadelphia as part of the process of simplifying and centering her own life. One day she called the Journal office. One thing led to another and she agreed to help prepare an issue on simplicity. After some months, many discussions and a great deal of work by Cynthia, all of which were complicated by editorial "advice," this issue is the result. We are glad she called.
Toward Transformation

by Scott Tucker

By “paradise” I mean nothing but the world practical.

—Paul Goodman

I recall a meeting where an acquaintance and I discussed Quakers, their faith and witness. “The trouble with Quakers,” he said, “is that they don’t believe in necessary evils.” There is much truth in that statement, and Friends have often seemed to be troublesome when actually they were only trying to be perfect. That is, they were trying to live their faith and, in the process, to be practical, not expedient. “Not as if we had attained, either were already perfect: but we follow after . . .”

In a lecture on “Industrial Implications of Christian Equality” given at the 1948 Woodbrookes Conference of Quaker Employers, Reginald Smith advised that “we must not be afraid of being utopian,” adding, “We must be intensely practical. . . .” Nearly 30 years have passed today, according to a recent Pendle Hill pamphlet, “Simplicity: A Rich Quaker’s View” by George Peck, “the large majority of Friends have family incomes of $15,000 or more or individual incomes of $8,000 or more; we are in the top 20% in income in the richest country the world has ever seen.” Indeed, Americans, Ivan Illich says, are the “less than 10% of the human race [that] consumes more than 50% of the world’s resources and produces 90% of the physical pollution which threatens to extinguish the biosphere.” These are statistics. Statistics rarely influence people to change their way of life, yet if war and ecocide are to end, each of us must do precisely that. To those who would say we are all implicated in a cannibalistic economy, and it is merely a matter of degree how implicated each person is, the answer must be that degree matters greatly; and for every person to alter his/her life by even one degree would mean a significant transformation.

But what to do and where to begin to change a situation in which worker and owner alike are prisoners of a system which rules everyone and belongs to no one? How do we find the enemy when he is us? How do we get each other off each other’s backs?

Charity is not enough; organizing relief is not enough, fine as this work is. One can give charity and relief and remain on a person’s back. Who would dare suggest that the desperate reject the charity of the rich? Yet nothing must obscure the fact—of which the poor are aware—that such charity is nothing like the widow’s mite. To have more than enough while others starve is theft.

Jesus said, “It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the Kingdom of God.” This is true primarily because wealth obscures the Holy Light. Ah, but how rich is “rich”? Jesus is not here to spell it out in dollars and cents, but his words stand. So we must begin by asking if we take those words seriously?

If we do, must we not recognize, as he did, that subsistence as a way of life frees us from outside encumbrances and provides space in which we may truly begin to live, both inwardly and outwardly?

And the basic unit in which that life must be lived is not individual, nor family, nor class, party or state. It is community, one in which all organization proceeds from the bottom up, all decisions are made by all, for all, and where each life is valued as a precious, indeed sacred, possession by all.

Howard Brinton wrote: “If we consider Catholicism, Protestantism, and Quakerism as three distinct forms of Christianity, then it could be said that Catholicism is based on the feudal form of society out of which it first grew. Protestantism is congenial to capitalism, and Quakerism to what I might call communitarianism.” In building community, can we advocate peace if we profit from exploitation? “In a world based on violence,” A. J. Muste wrote, “one must be a revolutionary before one can be a pacifist; in such a world the non-revolutionary pacifist is a contradiction in terms, a monstrosity.” Resistance and Reconciliation must be practised together.

Neither knowledge nor love alone will save us. Friends can look to the work of Murray Bookchin, who proposes a decentralized technology in harmony with nature; to Paul Goodman’s work, especially a classic on community planning like Communias; to the Catholic Worker movement; and to their own Light. John Woolman was correct: “Wealth is attended with power, by which bargains and proceedings contrary to universal righteousness are supported . . . Oh, that we who declare against wars, and acknowledge our trust to be in God only, may walk in the Light . . . and try whether the seeds of war have any nourishment in these, our possessions . . .”

“Do not conform yourselves to the fashion of this world; be transformed by the renewing of your minds.” Why should Friends settle for anything less than the transformation of the world? This is what early Friends meant by “the War of the Lamb.” In George Fox’s time thousands of Friends went to prison and 500 died there. How many Friends today are willing to take risks of similar magnitude? “In the long run,” Edwin Cady wrote, “worldly success would prove far more dangerous to Quakerism than the worst of its worldly persecutions.” If, like Fox, we are to know the Truth “experimentally,” we must take risks.

If political power grows out of the barrel of a gun—a point on which all the great powers agree—then it is not for Friends to “seize Power,” but to “bear Witness”: to be magnanimous, compassionate—and practical. To be a prophetic community, not an assimilated sect; not to hide their Light under a bushel, but to be examples for a worldwide society of friends.

John Woolman had a vision of a mass of “human beings in as great misery as they could be” and realized that “I
was mixed in with them, and henceforth I might not consider myself as a distinct or separate being." Tragically, the unity of all life has achieved a "pragmatic" status only at the point of nuclear and ecological Apocalypse.

Friends, bear Witness! Transform everyday life. Blake, a compassionate man, wrote:

Pity would be no more
If we did not make somebody poor;
And Mercy no more could be
If all were as happy as we.

Friends and the Need to
De-Develop the United States

by William H. Moyer

FRIENDS' CONCERNS have included the end of wars, lasting peace, the end of poverty, a stop to political oppression, help to minorities, curbing or halting the militarism of the U.S., and bringing an end to all sorts of human sufferings. There seems to be a direct relationship between these problems and the high levels of material production, consumption and waste in America.

The modern era of maximum and massive production and consumption is near the end of its brief appearance in human history. America's GNP will drop drastically in the coming decades. If we retain our ideology of maximum consumption within a reality of scarcity, people will most likely panic and, out of fear, support an increasingly dictatorial government. To prevent a "1984" ten years from now, we Americans must voluntarily reduce our desire for high levels of material consumption as well as our actual levels.

To make any headway on many important Friends' concerns, therefore, there must be a drastic reduction (perhaps up to 80 or 90%) of United States production and consumption and waste of material resources—that is, a de-developed America.

Friends can help achieve new goals and values for a de-developed nation and show that, far from being a disaster, they will lead to a more real, more human life for all of us: Great reductions in the GNP, production for use not profit, planning to replace market forces, cooperation rather than competition, massive redistribution, humaneness to replace materialism, and a questioning of our private enterprise and market economy. Small is good, "less is more." We must change our basis for status and happiness from materialism to peoplistism.

Some Friends' programs for working toward a de-developed United States might include self-education, simplified lifestyles, working for a moratorium on atomic energy production, opposition to support of dictatorships, support of strong environmental protection, working for maximum income laws, more involvement in social action programs and campaigns.

Above or perhaps in and through all of this, Friends can focus on happiness and enjoyment through peoplistism, not materialism, and self-actualization, not accumulation. We need to emphasize our relationships with others, to develop support communities, to make our own music and entertainment, to deal directly with our own emotions, to enjoy our sensuality and sexuality, to exercise, and to meditate and allow the spirit of God to enter and to fill us.
Commentary on Simplicity

by W. Donnell Boardman

Here are what I consider the important questions about simplicity:

1. Do we espouse our economic system as an expression of love of neighbor as of self?
2. Do we find comfort and inner peace from the list of investments held in our name?
3. Are we satisfied that it is the divine right of America to live at the expense of the rest of the world?
4. Is it fitting that another should gamble in our name and such gambling be approved as investment counseling?
5. Is it proper to accept recessive taxation, privileged tax advantages, discriminatory residential real estate practices, inequitable tariff and trade agreements of the earth's resources, all as a rich man's unquestioned blessing?
6. Is the Inner Light fed by fuel from the multinational oil interests of the Western World, buttressed by U.S. "enlightened self-interest" and defended by our armed might?

Reflections on a Weekend

by Joe Carter

I spent three memorable days on January 25, 26 and 27 in our nation's capital. Two important events overlapped, the annual meeting of Friends Committee on National Legislation and The Assembly to Save the Peace Agreement. . . . The most thought-provoking speech I heard was by Congressman George Brown at the F.C.N.L. Saturday evening session. A very consistent supporter of the objectives of F.C.N.L., he made a very startling prediction in the course of his remarks, namely that within not 30, but five years' time we would see the economic collapse of the Western world. But the interesting thing is that he did not view this as a bad development. He said the worst thing that could happen to the world would be for every nation to try to reach the American level of consumption by creating an industrial society with advanced technology. Ecologically it would ruin our planet in short order. A reversal of growth is imperative in population as well as in consumption of material resources. Some new type of society more in harmony with nature and based on a non-exploitative system of production and distribution to meet the needs of people everywhere, rather than to produce great wealth for a small class of owners, will arise from the shambles. This is the hope for the future, and people of goodwill and of vision will be needed to lead it.

Number 19 of London Yearly Meeting's Queries reads as follows:

Simplicity
Are you concerned that man's increasing power over nature should not be used irresponsibly but with reverence for life and with a sense of the splendour of God's continuing creation?

And Number 20:
Are you working toward the removal of social injustices? . . . Do you take a living interest . . . promote the welfare of those in need and a just distribution of the resources of the world?

These are hard questions if considered and answered in depth. Yet who of us has not considered, during the past decade, the passing of heaven and earth not as still unthinkable, but as a looming possibility? And which of us has not been rudely awakened to the depth and breadth of our society's erosion and perversion of truth, and love, and integrity, and pondered our own complicity? I for one have had . . . to review the hard lesson of the parable of the unjust steward, verse by agonizing verse.

Check List on Simple Living

Food: Vegetarian diet, unprocessed foods, low sugar, grow your own, etc.
Clothing: recycle, buy from thrift store, wear "revolutionary lifestyle" clothes which need no ironing, etc.
Shelter: share houses, fix old houses, keep heat low, no gadgets, etc.
Transportation: live near work, use bus, train, trolley, subway or bike or walk
Education: self-education, not for degrees; public library, study groups, alternative schools for kids, practical courses like carpentry and home repair, macro-analysis seminars
Jobs: those which do not aid war, do not make or sell processed foods or gadgets, those which give a sense of fulfillment and the true use of our capabilities, those which leave some time free for social change work and being with other people
Money: live off subsistence income or tithe a percentage to social change work or Friends concerns (these should be the same thing!)
Leisure: enjoy each other, enjoy nature, make up our own games and sing our own songs.
The Land Trust Movement

by Gladys Lindes and Cynthia Arvio

There's been a stirring among Friends and others in the last few years which challenges the basic concept of private ownership of land, advocating placing more and more of it in stewardship so that it will never be bought or sold again. It's not a new concept but it's one that has become hidden under people's assumptions in the last few centuries that just about everything could be used for profit.

The American Indians didn't understand that idea: the land which nourishes us all, they believed, belongs to the Great Spirit and can be used but never owned. Psalm 24 of the Hebrew Bible proclaimed: "The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world and those who dwell therein. For it was he who founded it upon the seas and planted it firm upon the waters beneath."

The first privately owned land came into existence when earlier, nomadic tribes first settled down and began to farm. Even then, land belonged to the tribe, not to individuals. But gradually, the powerful established their "rights" over lands, including the people who worked them. The breakup of such feudal societies was followed by a growing individualism until in the 18th century John Locke wrote about private property as the land one man could farm by himself. These individualistic ideas were exported into the Americas, to the astonishment and discomfiture of the native Indians, and have persisted, until today we see speculators buying up farmland from people who have used it for centuries, cutting the trees, bulldozing the ridges and gulleys into a plain, and building rows of housing for new "owners." And we see land in cities with broken buildings and crumbling old walls in vacant yards because the "owners" think it's not worth trying to make a profit on it. Speculators are often given zoning variances while environmental groups who try to preserve the natural beauty and value of the land fight a losing battle.

"The land trust as an organization, and as a social movement, stems from three sets of concerns: environmental, economic, and social (writes David McCauley, a member of a land trust in Vermont). Environmentally, the trust encourages intelligent land use and discourages environmental damage. It effects these goals through land use planning and prevention of profit maximization on land. Economically, the trust seeks to reduce speculation and ease access to land. It effects this through prohibiting the sale of its land and through creative financing of its leases.
Socially, the trust seeks to create spaces where alternative economic units and lifestyles can grow. It contributes to this by providing lower cost land and by cooperating with small, “alternative-oriented groups (e.g., a low-cost housing group).”

The land trust is not just an idea but an actuality in a number of places today. In Israel the Jewish National Fund holds vast acreages, leases parcels of it to users for 99 years, and has effectively taken it out of the profit-market. In this country attempts were made to do the same for land farmed by poor blacks in the South. In the 60’s Robert Swann founded the International Independence Institute, which has published The Community Land Trust: A Guide to a New Model for Land Tenure in America (available from the Institute’s office at West Road, Box 183, Ashby, Mass. 02431 for about $3.50).

In the early 1970’s several land trusts were formed in New England, especially Maine and Vermont. As an example, in 1972 a group in Maine formed a non-profit corporation which has the right to hold land. 28 acres were contributed as a beginning. The corporate charter states that the land is to be held in stewardship for all mankind present and future and to be used with consideration for the environment. The use rights of people presently living on the land will be protected, but there will be no rights of inheritance. The use of land can pass from parents to children only if one of the offspring is actually living on and working the land, and then only as a decision of the land trust board of directors.

In Vermont, examples are the Sam Ely Land Trust, the Vermont Community Land Trust and the Abnaki Regional Land Trust. The last-named, incorporated in December, 1973, is placing 48 acres (five leaseholds) into trust. Friends are active in its membership of forty to fifty members. (Address: Windmill Hill, Putney, Vermont 05346.)

In the spring of 1972 a weekend conference on the idea of a land trust was held at Haddonfield Meeting in New Jersey, sponsored by a group of three individuals. Two years later, in February of 1974, another such conference, also in Haddonfield, was sponsored by a Working Group on Economic Responsibility under the Meeting for Social Concerns of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. As an offshoot of this conference (but not organizationally connected), meetings were held in Philadelphia in the summer and fall.

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**Requiem to a country stream**

Two decades flash by—a floodwater
Rushing through the penstocks of memory.
Here, here I once had cast a surplus-store lure
And crammed the heady air into my
Locomotived lungs. Now I stand a
Pall bearer, under the Freeway signs,
To my old Walden.

Where is the soft play of sun, the
Dappled willow flash, marching cattails
In these doomed waters?
Did you know your day of execution,
Little one?

From my obscene perch of steelmen’s
Haste and ingenuity—maddened by
Filigree of rivets and awesome arch,
I fly wildly over your dance macabre
Of slurried virus—the oils of a
Billion bitter germs.

What was your crime, little haven?
Were you another solution deemed as
Ultimate—begging for another Nuremberg?
Good-bye, lost paradise.
Join your thousand thousand brothers
In their toxic flows to death.
Bridges are for the living, and
We have many more to build.
of 1974, bringing together a core of about 40 interested people from all over the Delaware Valley area. Out of those meetings has grown a parent organization, the Delaware Valley Regional Land Policy Association, which hopes to spawn a land-holding corporation to be called the Delaware Valley Regional Land Trust, as well as one or two community development organizations. (An area-wide third annual land trust conference will be held May 30-June 1, 7:30 p.m. Friday through Sunday afternoon, Haddonfield Friends Meeting, Haddonfield, N.J. Accommodations, simple food and lodging provided at conference site. Cost: $10-20 according to needs. For information contact Tani S. Martenat, 4820 Warrington Ave., Phila. 19143 SA7-7643 or SA9-6142).

The proposed statement of purpose of the DVRLT includes: “to acquire land in the Delaware Valley (which, for the present, we are defining as an area consisting of 9 counties—Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Bucks, as well as Philadelphia, in Pennsylvania, and Gloucester, Camden, Burlington and Mercer in New Jersey) and free it from the concepts of private property, to hold such land in perpetuity not as public or as private property, but in trusteeship to be used for the benefit of all future and present generations, as well as the protection of the use rights of its current residents; to set guidelines for land use that are consistent with sound ecological principles and with economically just distribution....”

That last phrase is important. Will this concept of land tenure simply freeze the enclaves of the rich with their century-old trees and hunting preserves, or will it radically alter the pattern of land use in the Delaware Valley? The latter is hoped for. The movement is a new one and does not claim to have all the answers, but it is assumed that the long-range planning help of professionals will become available. As David McCauley writes: “The land trust is a concrete effort at service to the community at large with emphasis on improving the situations of low-income people. Easing access to land and providing planning help are examples of such services.”

The goal is the donation of land, not the purchase by land trust associations. As more socially responsible people become aware of the existence of land trusts, it is hoped that at the point of sale between a buyer and a seller, land can be placed in the trust. Many Quakers are becoming interested: some have even thought of the possibility of suggesting that Friends place their land holdings into trust arrangements. In this way the Society could again become the cutting edge of a new economic life.

Today Friends are being asked to consider simplifying our lives in order to begin moving away from the exploitation of our fellow human beings. But a Friend might ask, how can simplifying my individual life really change society? Doesn’t something more need to be done? The answer is: yes, a great deal more needs to be done. We need to work toward changes in the basic institutions of our society, away from socio-economic forms based on self-interest and the profit motive toward forms which truly reflect the two great commandments of Jesus: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind and strength—and your neighbor as yourself. The land trust movement is one important means of doing this.

I worry about things. What I mean is that I worry about things that most people don’t worry about. Course I worry about the things that most people worry about too, but that doesn’t worry me so much. It’s the other things.

For example, lately I’ve been worrying about artificial flowers. Each time I find myself in the presence of artificial flowers a rotten feeling passes over me. Sometimes I get angry, sometimes depressed, but it’s always worse than just being annoyed. And afterwards I worry: I worry about why I have such symptoms. It is always worse if I have been seduced into touching or smelling the artificial flowers. Also, it seems to depend on where they are. In a public place or in the home of casual acquaintances I can usually rise above my symptoms, but when they are in the home of close friends—or in the meeting house—I truly suffer. Sometimes I have talked about my problem hoping to find that others suffer similarly. But the most sympathetic response that I have had on such occasions is an “I don’t like them either,” and even this is never said with any real passion.

Fortunately, I have just today come to realize that my violent symptoms are a consequence of the perfectly nor-
nal feelings of revulsion that people have toward anything that is evil. Yes, today I have discovered that there is an absolute evilness about artificial flowers that apparently escapes most people. Naturally, I wanted immediately to share this insight with others.

It is really very simple. The evilness of artificial flowers is that they constitute a green lie: their sole purpose is to deceive the observer. They are supposed to make me feel good inside; they are supposed to reach out and touch that part of me that is responsive to life itself. You see, we may like books, skis, and our hi-fi sets, but it is not the same "like" that we feel toward flowers, puppies, and friends. Living things simply touch us in a different way. And when a dead plastic thing has seduced me—has given me the pleasure that I should feel only from live things—then I have been deceived and wrongfully used.

Ah, come on now! What's all this seduction nonsense? Flowers are beautiful; pictures of flowers are beautiful; and today's artificial flowers are beautiful. Admittedly, there is a question of quality: some artificial flowers look fake. Also, some people carelessly spoil the illusion by putting them in places where their living counterparts couldn't possibly grow. But these are matters of education, of taste. Suppose that the green lie, as you put it, is so masterfully executed, and so carefully placed, that you can enjoy it without ever discovering the deception. What harm is done then? After all, the end would then justify the means, wouldn't it?

Hold on! Please. Don't confuse me with your reasonable words. After all, as I said before, I have only just begun to understand the evilness of the green lie, and perhaps I am explaining it awkwardly. But let me continue, for I am just about finished.

I must make clear that I am not speaking against the use of living things as an inspiration for art. My symptoms do not occur when I look at a marble statue of the human form or at a painting of a basket of flowers. Indeed, I can even enjoy the old-fashioned floral arrangements made with silk and wire, or those of porcelain. For in such stylistic renditions of flowers there was obviously no attempt to deceive: they were what they appeared to be. But now, with modern materials and misguided motives, our craftsmen—using partially opened buds, less-than-perfect leaves, etc.—can deceive us visually. And soon, perhaps, they will add the smell and an improved feel. What if the green lie becomes so perfect that one has to cut a flower and wait to see if it wilt?

Finally, what of the people who propagate the green lie? Why do they do it? Surely they cannot enjoy their "plants" the way I enjoy my plants. They have no occasion to feel the soil, to notice a new shoot, to look for the hoped-for bud, or to worry about a yellow leaf. And they can hardly enjoy them as they would other finely crafted inanimate articles if at the same time they expect visitors to enjoy them as living things; this would strain anyone's double-think capacity. Thus, I am left with the thought that their enjoyment centers on the illusion that they create: they believe that the green lie shows their love of nature. Unhappily, what it more probably shows is a household in which the look of living plants is more important than the life. The ironic part of all this is that the green-lie propagators would likely be just as upset as I about another form of artificial life. For suppose—and it's not hard to suppose—that it were possible today to buy a battery-warmed, taxidermist-quality facsimile of a puppy or kitten. Not a Walt-Disney-like stylised version, but one that really looks and feels real. And one capable of hi-fi puppy or kitten noises when cuddled. . . . Who could tolerate such a creature in the arms of his favorite two-year old? Or, sigh, would the fur lie be just as acceptable as the green lie?

TO: FRIENDS MEETINGS and others concerned with the wise and prudent use of the nation's natural resources.

Dear Friends:

As you are probably aware, the energy crisis of last winter has caused an abrupt change in national energy policy opening the prospect of vast strip mining of coal in Montana and adjoining states. The members of the Montana Program Committee of the American Friends Service Committee are concerned about several aspects of this development:

— the impending destruction of fragile semi-arid ecology,
— the diversion and consumption of scarce water resources,
— the disruption of valued agricultural production which may, in the long run, be more important than immediate energy production, and
— dangerous increases in air pollution levels from planned mine-mouth coal conversion plants.

In view of these unpleasant prospects, we recognize greatly increased need to generate energy from other renewable and non-polluting resources. We believe that the development and implementation of such alternate energy systems is consistent with Friends' testimony of simplicity and Friends' understanding of earthy stewardship. Therefore, we hope that you will join with us in considering the need for legislation to provide:

— Federal and state tax incentives encouraging home owners and companies to develop and implement alternate energy technologies,
— Federal funds for increased alternate energy research, and
— Government funds for the publication and distribution of the results of alternate energy research.

Wendy Visscher, for the Committee

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Global Justice and the Simple Living Movement

by Phyllis B. Taylor

MATTHEW 25:24-28: 40 states, "Come, Oh blessed of my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for when I was hungry you gave me to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink. . . . Then the righteous will answer Him, Lord, When did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or give you drink? . . . And the King will answer them, 'Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.'" In Isaiah 3:13-15 it is written, "It is you who have devoured the vineyard, the spoil of the poor is in your house. What do you mean by crushing my people, by grinding the face of the poor? says the Lord of Hosts."

These two themes—one challenging us to service and the other challenging the very structures of our society—run through the Simple Living Workshops that are now being run by the Churchmouse Collective which is part of the Movement for a New Society. The Churchmouse Collective is made up of Christians who are committed to trying to follow God's will in bringing about a more just global society. One way of doing that, we feel, is by running Simple Living Workshops and by training people to be Simple Living Organizers. (Anyone interested in a Workshop or in becoming a Simple Living Organizer should contact us at 4719 Cedar Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. 19143.)

A recent Workshop we ran was held in Indiana. It brought together six nuns, two priests, some Quakers, some students, a former executive who is a humanist, a person working in prisons and a teacher aide. Some of the Workshops are for religiously oriented people and some are secular but all of them maintain the positive tension between service and structural change. Workshops are now being planned on the West Coast, Arizona, Minnesota, Indiana, Georgia, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. We hope to be able to offer workshops wherever people want them by building a National Simple Living Network of people committed to global justice and trained as organizers.

More and more people are looking at the photographs of starving people and asking why. Are we in the U.S. somehow responsible? Why is it that so many people in the world are hungry and so many people in the U.S. are worrying about being too heavy? How is the fertilizer situation affecting the food crisis and how is that tied up with our lifestyle?

The Simple Living Workshops are set up to begin answering these questions. We generally begin them Friday evening with introductions and an attempt to find out what people's experiences and interests are. During the next two days we share experiences with simplifying our life styles. In the process we play, cook non-meat meals, worship or celebrate and study together. The Workshops are educational, supportive and experiential . . . and joyful. For we experience the truth of this song, even as we sing it together:

"Tis a gift to be simple
Tis a gift to be free
Tis a gift to come down
Where we ought to be.

And when we find ourselves in a place just right
We will be in the Valley of love and delight.

When true simplicity is gained
To bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.
To turn and to turn will be our delight.
Til by turning, turning we come 'round right."

The Light of Altered Stars

The stars are changed tonight.
The Dipper's rim no longer points the Pole.
The axis around which the heavens bend
Is gone and we must look for other stars
To lead us toward our goal;
Or, lost in God, let other goals be ours,
Discovered in the light of altered stars.

MORTON D. PROUTY, JR.
Part I

A Decentralist Approach to the World Food Crisis

by Ed Lazar

How can concerned people respond to the increasing food crisis? At this point most public attention has been given to centralized governmental responses, such responses were the focus of the November 1974 Rome food conference. While UN and governmental responses are important for the most immediate food needs, it is also important for people to continue to develop non-governmental decentralist intermediate and long-range responses.

The food crisis is that an estimated 460 million people face starvation this year. Last year at least 100,000 people died of hunger in the Sahel and 50-100,000 people died in the Bangladesh famine. Approximately one half of the world’s population is undernourished, and children under five are in the greatest danger of starvation. These figures don’t begin to tell the story of the effects of hunger on those who survive. For example children’s brain development, 80% of which takes place in the first two years of life, is affected by hunger with effects which cannot be corrected by a later adequate diet. And some 50 million people in India are blind or partially blind due to malnutrition.

This hunger crisis did not occur overnight and is not due solely to any one grain deal or rise in oil prices, but is due to a host of converging causes which include misplaced national priorities and economic systems which remove resources from local people, as well as weather changes, increased population, and several wars.

I feel defensive in even beginning to discuss decentralist approaches to the food crisis since the crisis looms so large and decentralist approaches appear so small. Nevertheless I am convinced that decentralist approaches are the basis of any possible lasting solution to the present crisis, and that, cumulatively, many small changes can have national and international effects. There are three areas I will refer to: consumption patterns, land use, and cooperative assistance or aid.

A decentralist approach begins with the individual and the groups he or she is part of: family, work, church, and living and political communities. For most readers of this article the most immediate possible response to the food situation is to make a shift in one’s eating pattern away from meat and towards a grain and vegetable based diet.

Frances Moore Lappe decisively illustrates in her book, *Diet For A Small Planet*, that there is simply not enough land or water to sustain a meat based diet for the present population of the world. As the population increases, as it will even with successful population control, the shortage of land and water will be even greater. A meat and milk centered diet requires approximately three and one-half acres of land per person while a plant protein diet requires approximately one-fifth of an acre; and with our present population there is estimated to be only one acre of food-producing land available per person.

In our country cattle once foraged on plains’ grasses and were producers of protein which otherwise would not have been available. With the shift to a large-scale livestock industry, cattle are now fed grain-rich diets. Cattle have become protein consumers and compressors rather than producers as it requires 8-10 pounds of grain to produce a pound of beef. During the period of enormous surplus grain harvests in the US this process of feeding some 78% of our annual grain harvest to animals did not get much attention; but now with the spiraling cost of bread and grain for the consumer and the world-wide grain shortage it is time to evaluate our use of grain in relation to meat production.

At present North Americans consume an estimated 1850 pounds of grain per year, most of it indirectly through meat products, while people in South Asia consume an estimated 400 pounds of grain directly. Since 1940, the US population has more than doubled its meat consumption from 50 pounds a year per person to 115 pounds a year per person. There was a time when meat was considered something special and not assumed to be the central part of each meal. In other words, our present level of meat consumption is not an inherent part of our culture.

Changing individual patterns of consumption to include less meat or no meat in the diet can cumulatively have significant results. It is estimated that if we North Americans can decrease the meat we eat by 10% it will free up some 12 million tons of grain or enough to feed 60 million people.

Our present meat consumption example has been followed by other developed and developing countries. West Germany, England, Japan and other industrialized nations have increased their meat and grain imports and now also have to shift to a new model of consumption.

It should be noted that, if and when we decrease meat consumption, we cannot assume that more grain will then go to hungry people. Critics of “kitchen ecology” are quite correct on this point. The important element is that such a change in our food consumption pattern will also signify a new attitude towards overall consumption and use. We must be about changing ourselves as we work to change the attitudes, institutions, and systems which have contributed to the present food crisis.
Translating a concern about the use of grain into action means a personal commitment by each of us to examine her or his present diet and make appropriate changes in a meatless direction. I do not suggest instant total vegetarianism for most people but rather the beginning of a process of change towards a meatless diet starting with what one is actually able and prepared to do. For many people this may mean having two or three specific meatless days per week or week-day meatless suppers, or meat only on Sundays. My own suggestion for people who are not already vegetarian is to plan for meatless meals each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday—a midweek vegetarian diet which allows room to experiment with a new eating pattern. A commitment to change one’s diet may work better if the commitment is made with other people in a group at work or school or in one’s house or church.

When I refer to a meatless diet I refer to one which includes dairy products and eggs, with fish optional. I also refer to a diet which is interesting and which opens up people’s food horizons to new food combinations of grains, legumes, vegetables, and fruits. One of the most positive features of the book (and film) Diet For A Small Planet is that it makes a vegetarian diet attractive as well as humane in present world terms. I feel that it is important to avoid the holier-than-thou aspect of some advocates of vegetarianism. Do what feels right and possible given your own situation but do consider the implications of your diet.

Personal changes can begin to be translated institutionally. Concerned workers and students can suggest, or work for, or campaign for (whichever is appropriate) an alternate meatless meal plan in workplace and school cafeterias and dining rooms; it’s hard to be consistently vegetarian when eating out unless alternate meals are part of the daily menu. Many people have spoken to restaurant owners about union lettuce and now can suggest meatless menu items. Alternative restaurants such as the new Common Stock restaurant in Waltham, Massachusetts can be education centers for a new diet and can help relate diet changes to the larger world food issue.

The food cooperatives that are springing up everywhere in this country are very decentralist in nature and have enormous potential for changing consumption and agriculture patterns as well as saving consumers money and being a training ground in cooperative work. I hope that each food coop can have an active nutrition committee to help with community nutrition education.

In our country, one of the “richest” in the world, there are estimated to be at least 10 million hungry malnourished people. People on fixed incomes, the elderly, people on welfare, and minority groups such as Native Americans have been the hardest hit by inflation and unemployment, with many now hungry. A decentralist approach includes addressing the living situation including the nutrition needs of the poorest in our country. Indeed if we cannot solve our own distribution and hunger problems, what example does the US have to offer elsewhere?

It is often harder for people with limited economic means to change diet patterns than it is for relatively affluent middle class people. Middle class people often have more time and money to shop and cook experimentally, and don’t have to worry about being hungry if something doesn’t work. Thus in moving to a meatless diet emphasis, care must be taken to enable such a diet to be available to people with limited economic means—through subsidies of protein rich foods which are alternatives to meat and through increased nutrition education.

With people’s diet being such a key element of health it is important that a National Health Plan guarantee that we eat all and have access to a nutritious diet in America. Such a national commitment is an important complement to the decentralist program outlined here.

To be continued
Resources

PERIODICALS

*Simple Living*, a newsletter put out by the Simple Living Project of the AFSC, 2160 Lake Street, San Fran., Calif. 94121. (Contributions)

*Macroanalysis Newsletter*, put out by the Philadelphia Macro-analysis Collective, 4719 Cedar Street, Phila., Pa. 19143 (Contributions)

*Simple Living Newsletter*, put out by the Churchmouse Collective, 4719 Cedar Street, Phila., Pa. 19143 (Contributions)

PAMPHLETS


*Organizing Macro-Analysis Seminars.* By the Philadelphia Macro-analysis Collective (see above). $1.00. Reviewed in this issue.

BOOKS

*Gandhi—All Men are Brothers,* World Without War Council, N.Y., 1972, $1.95. An excellent collection of Gandhi’s most important writings on non-violence, economics, etc.


George Lakey, *Strategy for a Living Revolution,* Freeman, 1973, $2.95. Lakey describes perhaps more than anyone else in this country has yet dared to do, how to bring about non-violent revolutionary change in the U.S.—this includes living the revolution and living simply.

Frances Moore Lappé, *Diet for a Small Planet,* Ballentine, 1973, $1.25. A rationale for and how to do it for healthy, tasty, and high protein meatless cooking, including recipes.

Dennis L. Meadows, et al, *The Limits to Growth,* Signet, 1972, $1.25. Shows that continuing our mass-production/mass-consumption society will end in ecological disaster and therefore we need to radically de-develop our society and simplify our lives.

E. F. Schumacher, *Small is Beautiful: A Study of Economics as if People Mattered,* Harper, 1973, $3.75. An excellent book which challenges the basic values upon which our present economic system is based and presents an alternative where people rather than things or profit receive priority. Two of the chapters have also been reprinted separately—An Economics of Permanence and Buddhist Economics are available from Friends Bookstore for 25 cents.


Whither the Energy of Friends?

by Donald Patterson

even though Friends value serenity and seek to practice its discipline, times come in the life of a Meeting when anxiety overrules. Such a moment surprised me recently at meeting.

As we were visiting together after the conclusion of meeting for worship, one member asked me a question related to research I am conducting on the social impact of coal development in Montana and adjoining states. Barely had I a chance to utter a preliminary answer than others, hearing the questions, offered their opinions. I was fairly well blown backward by the emotional energy.

Coal development is a big issue in Montana right now. Many people fear that the expected population influx will destroy the quality of community which persists in the sparsely populated state (in spite of its large size), that the future of the state’s agricultural industry will be destroyed because water resources will have been preempted by coal related industry, that fragile range land will be despoiled by strip miners and finally that the “Big Sky” will be fouled by pollution from massive coal burning generators and gasification plants.

The causes of anxiety are real; people are not suffering from illusions. Construction of the first generating plants is already causing disruption of traditional lifestyles in the area surrounding. Municipal water supplies are strained to capacity, sewage systems are beyond capacity, housing is practically not available, schools are going into double session, drug use is increasing, as is rowdiness and the volume of al-
A Look at Africa: Lifestyles of the Future?

by David Roberts

SIMPLICITY has been a Quaker ideal for some time. Of course some Friends live more according to their beliefs than others, but this is all very relative. At any rate the American culture grinds along on its materialistic way toward everything in abundance. Now many are asking themselves how long can this go on; surely our resources can’t last forever. A world of scarcity may force future generations to adhere to our testimony on simplicity whether they want to or not.

The way of life here in rural Liberia is fairly basic. It is not cluttered with the gadgets and conveniences of the modernized world, but is tied directly to those resources that are necessary to sustain life. People are quite independent here in that they take care of their family’s needs with little or no contact with a complex commercial economic system. They live simply not because of a testimony but because they don’t have access to the resources that we take for granted; but they live simply just the same, and many of them happily so. If we were to do likewise could we be as happy?

David Roberts, a member of Friendship Meeting in Greensboro, N.C., is teaching in Liberia.

Before coming to Africa I believed in simplicity as much as anybody else, but I still found myself using up just as many resources as the next person in my community. That can all be blamed on ignorance and the lack of will power. First of all I simply didn’t know how to get by without many things; furthermore, since those things were so readily available it would have been very difficult to deny myself the right of ownership. Thus my life was a hundred times as cluttered as those who are now my neighbors.

Now it has become apparent that meat comes from animals, not from the butcher department of the local supermarket; there is nothing that a butcher does that I couldn’t do myself. Vegetables come from gardens, not from grocery stores; I can grow vegetables as well as pay someone else to do it for me. Houses are for the purpose of keeping out the rain and cold; it is not necessary to have a mansion with a manicured lawn. Women around here wear only a lappa, two yards of cotton material which is easily wrapped around and tucked in. Very few places in this country have running water, but people aren’t thirsty and they stay very clean; actually the bucket bath has become somewhat of a pleasurable experience in itself. Electricity is a luxury. Clothes can be washed without a machine. Rice does not require refrigeration; in fact, what do you need a refrigerator for? Having been a Boy Scout I was pleased to find housewives cooking over the open flame—this method works so well that even the food served in the school cafeterias is prepared this way.

Now you are probably saying that this is an extreme example and that one cannot ask everybody to live that way—that would not be fair. Well, it is a fact that most people in the world (Africa, Asia, India, and Latin America, for example) do live quite simply. It is very few indeed who are able to enjoy the conveniences which Americans take for granted—that is not fair.

You might also say that we need these conveniences in order to remain efficient in our work and maintain our high productivity. But look at what productivity has done for us in terms of pollution, too many cars, wastage of valuable resources, and the general deterioration of the environment. Can productivity be more important than life itself?

It is time we decided what we want the future to bring. If we wait too long the decision will be made for us.

“hb on special $1.50” translates: hard back on special sale for $1.50 per copy.” Thus true to principle is this collection of pieces from the unique parent publication in which they first appeared, and which still sells in New York’s poorest slums for “a penny a copy.” A friend who couldn’t know I’d agreed to review this volume sent me a copy of CW for December 1974, and there it is—just above the beautiful, seasonal woodcut by Friend Fritz Eichenberg—Price 1¢.

If the book itself is a bargain, the contents are nothing short of a treasure. In the CW’s first issue, dated May 1933, Dorothy Day’s message was “to those sitting on park benches,” “huddling in shelters,” “walking the streets in the all but futile search for work,” “who think there is no hope for the future, no recognition of their plight.” To these she cries, “It’s time there was a Catholic paper printed for the unemployed.” Timely—after 41 years. Over the years covered by the pieces in this selection—which ends with a December 1966 essay by Thomas Merton, Albert Camus and the Church, (and in which one can read QUAKER every time Merton says CATHOLIC)—CW’s goal was and continues to be to declare that “the Catholic Church has a social program.”

Peter Maurin, with Dorothy Day co-founder of CW, first used the phrase “gentle personalism” in one of his oft-quoted “Easy Essays.” In “Feeding the Poor,” he points out:

In the first centuries of Christianity the hungry were fed at a personal sacrifice...

the pagans used to say about the Christians

“See how they love one another.”

In our own day the poor are no longer fed, clothed and sheltered at a personal sacrifice but at the expense of the taxpayers...

the pagans say about the Christians

“See how they pass the buck.”

THE GENERAL aim of the Catholic Worker Movement is to realize in the individual and in society the expressed and implied teachings of Christ. It must, therefore, begin with an analysis of our present society to determine whether we already have an order that meets with the requirements of justice and charity of Christ.

The society in which we live and which is generally called capitalist (because of its method of producing wealth) and bourgeois (because of the prevalent mentality) is not in accord with justice and charity—

In Economics—because the guiding principle is production for profit and because production determines needs. A just order would provide the necessities of life for all, and needs would determine what would be produced. From each according to her/his ability, to each according to her/his needs. Today we have a non-producing class which is maintained by the labor of others with the consequence that the laborer is systematically robbed of that wealth which s/he produces over and above what is needed for her/his bare maintenance.

In Psychology—because capitalist society fails to take in the whole nature of a human being but rather regards him or her as an economic factor in production... an item in the expense sheet of the employer. Profit determines what type of work s/he shall do. Hence, the deadly routine of assembly lines and the whole mode of factory production. In a just order the question will be whether a certain type of work is in accord with human values, not whether it will bring a profit to the exploiters of labor.

In Morals—because capitalism is maintained by class war. Since the aim of the capitalist employer is to obtain labor as cheaply as possible and the aim of labor is to sell itself as dearly as possible and buy the products produced as cheaply as possible, there is an inevitable conflict which can only be overcome when the capitalist ceases to exist as a class. When there is but one class the members perform different functions but there is no longer an employer-wage-earner relationship.

To Achieve This Society We Advocate:

A complete rejection of the present social order and a non-violent revolution to establish an order more in accord with Christian values. This can only be done by direct action since political means have failed as a method for bringing about this
As a movement, the Catholic Worker has clung to two principles: (1) a literal acceptance of the New Testament as a practical guide to social action; and (2) the belief that one must accept the obligation of doing something personally, immediately, about the ills that plague society. Direct service to the abandoned poor in inner city slums has been perhaps the most visible manifestation of the spirit of the CW, and houses of hospitality are still being founded in various sections of the country. The belief in “personalism” has resulted in opposition to war, another point where Friends are “one in the spirit” with CW. During World War II, CW sponsored the Association of Catholic Conscientious Objectors, the only group in the country under which Catholic CO’s could do alternative service under Catholic auspices. Currently, the Catholic Peace Fellowship, directly inspired by the CW, is the most active of Catholic peace societies.

Deep, continuing interest in economic justice has also characterized the CW movement from its beginning. Beyond support for workers in specific labor disputes, beyond aid to victims of the system needing immediate and personal help, criticism has been leveled at capitalism itself as practiced in today’s world. In September, 1960, a check for $3,579.39, representing interest on money paid to CW when its Chrystie Street property was taken to make way for a subway extension, was returned to the City of New York. The accompanying letter said simply, “This money is not ours. We do not believe in the profit system, and so we cannot take profit or interest on our money.” (Read the entire letter beginning on pg. 204.

Our Position

society. Therefore we advocate a personalism which takes on ourselves responsibility for changing conditions to the extent that we are able to do so... We feel that what anyone possesses beyond basic needs does not belong to him or her but rather to the poor who are without it.

We believe in a withdrawal from the capitalist system so far as each one is able to do so. Toward this end we favor the establishment of a decentralized Distributist economy... as was society during certain periods that preceded the rise of national states.

We believe in worker-ownership of the means of production and distribution, as distinguished from nationalization. This is accomplished by decentralized co-operatives and the elimination of a distinct employer class. It is revolution from below and not (as political revolutions are) from above. It calls for widespread and universal ownership by all persons of property as a stepping stone to a communism that will be in accord with the Christian teaching of detachment from material goods and which, when realized, will express itself in common ownership.

We believe in the complete equality of all men and women under God. Racism in any form is blasphemy against God who created all humankind in the Divine image and who offers redemption to all. Each person comes to God freely or not at all and it is not the function of any human or institution to force the Faith on anyone. Persecution of any people is therefore a serious sin and denial of free will.

We believe further that the revolution that is to be pursued in ourselves and in society must be pacifist. We believe that Christ went beyond natural ethics and the Old Dispensation in this matter of force and war and taught non-violence as a way of life. So that when we fight tyranny and injustice we must do so by spiritual weapons and by non-cooperation.

We believe that success, as the world determines it, is not the criterion by which a movement should be judged. We must be prepared and ready to face seeming failure. The most important thing is that we adhere to these values which transcend time and for which we will be asked a personal accounting, not as to whether they succeeded (though we should hope that they do) but as to whether we remained true to them even though the whole world go otherwise.

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So, dear Friends, what of Him who “comes as One who is poor?” Do we, in our comfortable homes and substantial Meeting Houses, even remember that indeed He did so come? Do we understand what it is to have no place to lay our heads? The CW continues to ask the question, and attempts to provide some answer for those who know from bitter experience what it means to be poor. Can we learn from them about NOT “passing the buck”—maybe not even to the AFSC?

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Reviews of Books


It's hard to keep straight all of the recently contrived terms that describe special aspects of consumption (is it consumerism or the consumer economy that we should watch out for?) and conservation (which begat ecotage and maybe sabology, and isn't there something called pollution?). It's even harder to remember which contrivance connects with what new book about greedy people and the environment. So when I encountered yet another such permutation in this title my enthusiasm knew bounds, but I elected to read and review The Contrasumers because I like what Albert Fritsch (Ph.D. in chemistry, and Jesuit priest) is doing as a codirector of the Center for Science in the Public Interest in Washington, D.C.

After reading The Contrasumers I reluctantly conclude that the word needed to be coined. Whether the book needs to be read depends largely on the prior level of one's consciousness. For those who are already aware of the immorality and futility of maintaining current levels of material consumption, have gained a quantitative feeling for the problems, and have made some headway towards a personal solution, it is perhaps marginally useful. For most of us lesser mortals I'm sure it would be extremely valuable, and I wish I could confidently say will rather than would, but I fear that it won't be read by those who need it most. Which is equally true of the Bible, I guess, and an equally poor reason for not promoting it.

Albert Fritsch's purpose, as he states in the preface, is to point out that the United States can and must change its mature destiny to one that is global and social in character and qualitative rather than quantitative in scope, and to show how this can be done without producing major disruptions in our economy. Why he adds the constraint about economic disruption is unclear, since nearly everything he goes on to say accents the need for thorough revision of our economic system. The necessary changes can be brought about through contrasumption, which he defines as the philosophy of curtailing material consumption by directly curtailing our material growth ethic. He convincingly argues that the present need for contrasumption in America is greater than the need for contraception in poorer countries that have higher birth rates but much lower per capita consumption. This valid and important point is variously expressed throughout the book, yet nowhere is it even hinted that an ultimate need might exist for some form of universal birth control regardless of how much we Americans cut back on our consumption.

The book quite properly concentrates on energy consumption, which is a good index of overall consumption levels as well as a major contributor to pollution and resource depletion. It contains statistics galore, much background on the oil crisis and other symptoms of our foundering consumer economy, a penetrating analysis of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment at Stockholm in 1972, and many suggestions for individual and corporate conservation strategies. In the back is a "lifestyle index" with tabulations that enable one to figure one's personal energy expenditures much as a dieter counts calories, compare them with typical expenditures in other countries, then determine where and how much to cut back.

The Contrasumers reads easily, and is larded throughout with many special bits of insight that I felt justified my additional exposure to some already familiar material. If widely bought it will be widely read and might help make good things happen.

C. J. SWET


The Manual Organizing Macro-analysis Seminars is a product of many hours of life-experience. Its purpose can best be explained by quoting the statement on page iv:

"This manual is intended to be a guide for organizing and conducting 'macro-analysis seminars.' Macro-analysis seminars are democratically-run study groups that attempt to increase the participants' awareness of the ecological, political, economic, and social forces that are shaping our global society. They are designed for people who are concerned about the environmental deterioration and the injustice and oppression that exist all around us, and to help people do something about it.

It is our hope that the macro-analysis process will lead to an increased understanding—and that the increased understanding will lead to collective action for social change."

This is the kind of publication that is usually read by someone who has already had personal contact with folks in the movement from which the writing springs—in this case, the Macro-analysis Movement. If this is not the case, the reader of this manual may find the best procedure to move ahead, after reading the first two brief chapters, to Chapter VI and the remainder of the pamphlet. A person who is in substantial agreement with the above-stated purpose will probably find her/himself becoming more and more excited by the process which the pages reflect, a process churning with vitality, a process that enables a group of people to gain understanding of the current political-social-economic crisis and—more important—to grow in the ability to interact and cooperate in bringing about change toward the better human condition for which we all yearn.

Chapters III, IV, and V constitute the "heart" of the instructional material that a person or persons bent on organizing a macro-analysis seminar will want to study. These chapters give detailed information about the content, suggested processes, and reading materials that have been found valuable by many groups who have undertaken "standard" twenty-four-week (preferably) or twelve-week seminars. (A "week" consists of one three-hour group session plus two or three hours of independent study and occasional meetings of two or three members to plan the next all-group session; a "seminar" usually consists of from eight to twelve persons.)
What will be new to most first-time readers and participants is the variety of group-process experiences by which a seminar functions. The reader of these chapters finds continuing reference to such concepts as facilitator, brainstorming, vision gallery, excitement sharing, web charts, and others. S/he comes to realize that a macro-analysis seminar is indeed a democratic process, one in which leadership responsibilities are shared and in which growth in group cooperation takes place.

Gladys Meyer Linde


This book poses the fundamental question “Can modern societies, characterized by population increase, by advanced technologies, and by a growth-oriented, man-centered culture, adapt to the constraints of the environment in such a way as to ensure not simply survival but a decent life for future generations?” The authors show how ecological change must come about through fundamental changes in both our economic and political philosophies. The book consists of an introduction, followed by three chapters on the biological, economic, and political dimensions of the crisis, and an epilogue. Chapter One shows the global scale of our ecological crisis. Chapter Two dramatizes how strongly tied we are to the Protestant Ethic of growth and competition. Though many now subscribe to the necessity of zero population growth it is doubtful if many recognize the equal necessity of a steady-state economy. It is in the third chapter on the political process that the reader is likely to frown with frustration over the seemingly impossible task of effecting change. Surette paints a gloomy picture indeed of the way that industry has so completely taken over the very regulatory groups that are supposed to improve the environment. Their unwritten role is that of handing out crumbs to the environmentally concerned while continuing to maintain the status quo. Because the industrial segment is so strongly organized, has such strong economic incentives to resist change, and can pour fortunes into political lobbying the citizen is relatively helpless in his fight against pollution.

But the problem goes far beyond pollution. “If we go beyond pollution to seek an understanding of the environmental situation, we find...an inner logic in man’s relationship to his environment...At some point in his evolution...man has presumed that his well-being is best served by orienting himself in an exploitive rather than in a harmonious manner to his environment.” “When more than ever before take from the commons, when they take without regard to the technique of taking, and when they take without regard to the ecological condition of the commons then prosperity for all leads to tragedy for all.”

The epilogue ties together the three parts of the ecological crisis. The authors suggest no solutions; worse yet, they even question if there is an answer. Yet the book makes one thing clear: to effect change in the economic and political traditions that have contributed to our crisis, it is imperative we join forces with others of like mind, be it Common Cause, League of Women Voters, or Planned Parenthood, so as to be a more effective force against the status quo.

The book is highly readable. The selection of suggested readings is excellent.

Allen W. Stokes

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Principles and Vegetarians

OF THE several inspiring articles on Albert Schweitzer (FJ 2/1) I was most interested in the one by Douglas Steere, which gave us new and valuable insight into Dr. Schweitzer's character.

We have become familiar with Schweitzer's great ethical principle of "Reverence for Life" and how he practiced it in his noble life, an inspiration to the entire world for all time to come.

Therefore, to me how disappointing it is to learn that the good doctor, after being a long time vegetarian, reverted to the eating of meat in the later decades of his life. This was a clear violation of his principle "Reverence for Life," although I am sure he did not do it thoughtlessly.

Dr. S. says, "To the man who is truly ethical all life is sacred, including that which from the human point of view seems lower in the scale. ... If he has been touched by the ethic of Reverence for Life, he injures and destroys life only under a necessity, which he cannot avoid, and never from thoughtlessness."

Apparently, he must have felt it was a matter of necessity that animals and birds should be killed in order to furnish him with meat to eat to maintain his health. He was wrong. The human species is not carnivorous by nature and physiology, but frugivorous, and therefore it is a crime against Nature and Nature's God to eat a carnivorous diet. It is ethically, aesthetically, hygienically, and economically wrong.

In this respect Tolstoy and Gandhi were superior to Schweitzer.

ROBERT HECKERT

Sexist Logos

I CANNOT use the convenient renewal envelope without some comment on the picture so prominently displayed on it, and in smaller form, on the FJ masthead.

From the woodcut, I learn that adult Quakers, at least the reading portion, are men. Little boys are bigger than little girls and keep them focused on the proper concerns with a protective and restraining hand on their tender little shoulders. Little boys wear serious hats like the adult males, while little girls' bonnets have a charming, light-hearted and child-like upward tilt. Are we to assume that Quaker girls do not really ever grow up? Or are the Quaker women in the Meeting House kitchen making coffee while the men concern themselves with important issues—achieving equality for women perhaps?

HARRIET MURPHY
Dalton, PA

Uncontrollable Infernos

I PREDICT that both President Ford and Henry Kissinger will live to regret the airing of their shared opinion that under certain circumstances our government would resort to military force in order to solve (?) the oil crisis.

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If it were possible I would end this dangerous discussion before another word is said.

Recent history is livid with examples of loose talk leading to outright threat, threat to "calculated risk,"—and, when the bluff is called—to bloodshed "by accident" which quickly avalanches into an uncontrollable inferno.

Ironically any military action in the Mid-east today would find American soldiers face to face with an American-trained enemy armed with American-made weapons. How foolish can we be?

FLOYD SCHMIDT
Kirkland, WA

Negative Economic Views

I see Friend Howard Kershner is still spreading his negative, onesided, ideological economic views (FJ 1/1 p. 22, 2/15 p. 119) such as "All government intervention in the economic activities of the people lessens the total of human satisfaction" and "We can never solve the problem of poverty and undernourishment by redistributing goods already here."

What many people concerned for "social justice," such as John Michener (FJ 10/15/74) are concerned about is to bring the tax, employment, and subsidy activities of government (and industry) closer to Jesus' ideal of "to each according to his need," and to expand the good of the public rather than the power and wealth of the self-centered and power hungry. It is a difficult and complex task, but Kershner's negatives give us no help on how to implement Jesus' ideals in economic affairs, and he tries to block us off from one avenue of effort.

Friends occasionally need to be reminded that Friend Kershner was for many years a paid publicist for the "Christian Economics Foundation," supported considerably by the Pew family of Sun Oil Company (Roy, Apostles of Discord, 1952). It was, of course, to their advantage to aid in spreading views opposed to the redistribution of THEIR profits and wealth.

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Tribute to a Friend

Written Wednesday dawn, January 22, 1975

When I was a child—(maybe not quite so young, but about fourth grade or so), my father let us in on a big treat by joining the Friends’ Meeting in Alapocas, Wilmington, Delaware. (little did I know how big a treat having been associated with Friends would become in my later life.) At that time, though, the big treat was . . . going to visit the Marises. Oh how I loved that occasion—we four children would literally dance around in anticipation.

The Marises lived in a fascinating house—with its old grandfather clock and mantel clock that went ticky-tacky, and books that smelled good, a cute vany winding stairway that we could go exploring in, and a bright little kitchen with always a cookie can filled with treats and a tea kettle simmering. There were wide windows with plants, a tiny backyard with lots of birds, Robert’s enthralling (but scary) old fashioned dentistry equipment, and better yet—that little white shelf to the left of the living room entrance that contained their small collection of toys. The toys were not wind-up, turn-on, Mattel’s—Modern—Marathon—Match-types, but instead a few simple mazes, puzzles made with wooden blocks. Yet they were fascinating to us, and part of the enjoyment was the knowledge that each time we went, they would be there, in that same place, with all the pieces, and they would not break and would not change . . . if you could remember how it was done—that ball would always fit through that hole in that particular way.

For better or for worse, Robert and Ruth Maris were intimately associated with Quakerism in my mind from the beginning of my experience with it, as I would sit in that silent meeting and watch them walk in and sit down— invariably with a smile or wink in my direction. Before I even knew his name—he was the Quaker man, and Ruth—the Quaker lady. The association was a good one, of warm sunlight and interesting “story-messages” at Meeting, of peace and gentle conversation at home. Of apples and horses, since they were two of the few adults who didn’t think my adoration of horses was silly, but would particularly take care to ask me about them and show me pictures of old meetinghouses with stables . . . until the day I excitedly told Ruth that it was not horses anymore; it was the Beatles now.

All this was accepted with loving understanding, which I later came to know as a way they approached life, and which I could count on them to strive for. Throughout the many times we had differences, even when very far away from them in actions, I always knew somehow within me, that there were Robert and Ruth, and their doors would always be open to me if I needed honestly to talk. Certainly I could count on an ear for listening, a cup of tea, and a truthful atmosphere of good will. Robert was extremely well-read, and could come up with a quote, a poem or story for every situation. (Or recommend a book to read.) These always have helped, I think, because talking with him, and seeing things through his eyes—I would glimpse a sense of the Universal. He always carried with him an Overview of the world, seeing problems as humankind’s rather than one person’s, yet sensing the spirituality of each individual case. How rare this attitude, one I took for granted as a child. How easy it is to get bogged down in our own little self-centered rat-race and lose this caring, this concern . . . this loving of the world and its creatures.

My father, especially, knew Robert in a way I perhaps will never understand, but I know he benefited immeasurably from the experience. They used to have long, as Ruth put it, “telephone visits,” especially after the Marises had moved from Wilmington, and I know they mutually looked forward to these visits. Although I have only known Robert since he was past middle age (as I am just-turned 21), and I know he grew up in far different times, I hope that as I grow older there will still be room for this kind of caring, this kind of respect, and the kind of simple life-
Robert H. Maris died January 21, 1975 in the Chester County Hospital, West Chester, Pa., in his 85th year following a heavy stroke. Robert lived most of his life in Wilmington, Del., where he was born. Through the application from his parents he became a member of Wilmington Monthly Meeting of Friends near the age of five. The certificate of removal for Robert and wife Ruth came to West Chester Monthly Meeting in May 1973.

He was graduated in 1908 from Westtown School; after a three-year course at the Dental School of the University of Pennsylvania, he began the practice of dentistry in Wilmington in 1912. For sixty years he followed this profession and retired to live in West Chester in 1972.

Two outstanding experiences were a part of his feeling for the Friends peace testimony; in the first World War he and his wife, Katharine Spear, worked with the AFSC in France. In World War II he and his second wife, Ruth Outland, traveled to the United States helping with the dental needs of the conscientious objectors and also other service in the camps as way opened.

Survivors other than his wife, Ruth, are a daughter, Faith Burlingame, three granddaughters, a great-grandson, and a great-granddaughter.
Lines Written after Re-reading Browning's "Andrea del Sarto"

Del Sarto, Sir (Andrea, if I may make so bold):
Between your lines I sense your ills of mind and heart.
They are like mine, like ours, we who aim but fail to reach.
I share your weakness, that evening's drear time
When lovely Lucrezia tried your flagging spirit
And your art, your aim, your reach, your grasp.
I quote some of your golden words (and to them add my gilt):

I do what many dream of all their lives
—Dream? strive to do, and agonise to do,
And fail in doing. I could count twenty such...

There burns a truer light in them than goes on to prompt
This low-pulsed forthright craftsman's hand of mine.
Their works drop groundward, but themselves, I know,
Reach many a time a heaven that's shut to me...

Ah, but a man's reach should exceed his grasp,
Or what's a Heaven for?

Andrea, Sir: We make mistakes.
(Forgive us, Lord.)
You, called the "faultless painter," put gold and green on canvas.
Some there are (like me), who have a less lively art.
We put what skill we have on paper.
Words. Type. Ink.
Our names are writ in water. We try.
We err. Remembrance fails.
Craftsmen we try to be, reaching "that heaven might replenish us."
Friends, like your Lucrezia, remind us of shortcomings.
That's heaven: The friendliness of friends, the prod they give.
Incentives come from the soul's self.
(Your words again, Andrea.)

This must suffice me here. What would one have?
In heaven, perhaps, new chances,
one more chance—
Love, we are in God's hand.

ALFRED STEFFERUD

Announcements

Births

STUCKLEN—On February 13, LOWELL MICHAEL STUCKLEN, to Robert A. and Deborah S. Stucklen of Montrose, CO.
The father is a member of Birmingham Monthly Meeting, West Chester, PA.

Marriages

DRISCOll-PETTIT—On February 1, 1975, in a combined Catholic-Society of Friends ceremony, DEBORAH ARDEN PETTIT and MICHAEL WALTER DRISCOll.
Deborah and her parents are members of the Woodstown (NJ) Meeting.
**Deaths**

**Brookman**—On January 29, 1975, LAURA LOU BROOKMAN, an active and valuable member of Wrightstown (PA) Meeting.

**Christian**—On December 27, 1974, THOMAS L. CHRISTIAN, a member of Plymouth Meeting. He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Jones Christian; a step-son, A. Victor Ohlson; and four grandchildren.

**Fraser**—On January 25, 1975, GLADYS SPICER FRASER, a member of Croton Valley Meeting, Mt. Kisco, NY.

**Parry**—On January 28, 1975, ELIZABETH ELY PARRY, aged 84. She was a member of Plymouth Meeting. She is survived by three children, Edith Parry Rinehart, Edward Parry and Lawrence Parry, and by seven grandchildren.

**Polk**—On January 26, 1975, ALAN M. POLK, a valued and active member of Mickleton (NJ) Meeting.

**Tuckerman**—On December 28, 1974, EDWIN TUCKERMAN, a member of Plymouth Meeting. He is survived by his wife, Eleanor of Plymouth Meeting, PA.

26-27 and 4/3-4—Garden Days, Friends Hospital, Roosevelt Boulevard at Adams Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19124.

**May**


16-18—Quaker Writers Conference, Guilford College, Greensboro, N.C.

23-26—Friends Conference on Religion and Psychology, Annual Meeting, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.

**June**

5-8—Third Believers’ Church conference, Pepperdine University, Malibu, California. Theme will be “Restitution, Dissent and Renewal.” For more information write Richard T. Hughes, Conference Coordinator, Believers’ Church Conference, Division of Religion, Pepperdine University, Malibu, CA 90265.

20-22—Weekend Seminar on the work of the Quaker U.N. office, and the “Future of the U.N.: the U.S. and the U.N.” at Quaker Hill Conference Center. 10 Quaker Hill Drive, Richmond, IN 47374. Speakers will be QUNO staff and QUN Committee members. Inquiries to Jack Kirk at Quaker Hill Conference Center.

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MOORESTOWN—Main St. at Chester Ave. Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Oct. through May (except Dec. and March). Meeting for worship 9:30 a.m. June through Sept. and 11 a.m. Visitors welcome.
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MULTILLA—First-day School, 10 a.m.; meeting for worship, 11 a.m. Main St., Mullica Hill, NJ.
NEW BRUNSWICK—Meeting for worship and First-day School, 11 a.m. Quaker House, 33 Rensen Ave. Phone: 463-9271.
PLAINFIELD—Meeting for worship and First-day School 10:30 a.m. Watchung Ave. at E. Third St., 1415-7786. Open Monday through Friday 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
PRINCETON—Meeting for worship, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Summer, 9:30 only. Oct. through May, 11 a.m. Quaker near Mercer St. 871-7824.
QUAKERTOWN—Meeting for worship and First-day School, 10:30 a.m. Clerk, Richard S. Wetherell, P.O. Box 5, Flemington, N.J. 08822. Phone 1-201-782-0256.
RANCOCAS—First-day School, 10 a.m., meeting for worship, 11 a.m.
REDWOOD—Meeting, 9:30 only for worship and First-day School at 11:30 a.m. 224 Highwood Ave.
SEAVILLE—Meeting for worship, 11 a.m. Main Shore Road, Route 9, Cape May County. Visitors welcome.

New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE—Meeting and First-day School, 10:30 a.m., 615 Girard Blvd., N.E. Seely Chandler, clerk. Phone 265-0569.
GALLUP—Sunday, 10 a.m., worship at 1715 Helena Dr. Chuck Dison, convener. 863-6967 or 669-6752.
SANTA FE—Meeting Sundays, 11 a.m., Olive Rush Studio, 630 Canyon Road, Santa Fe. Miriam Stohler, clerk.

New York

ALBANY—Worship and First-day School, 11 a.m. 727 Madison Ave. Phone 465-5004.
ALFRED—Meeting for worship, 9:30 a.m. at The Rhea, 103 N. West St., Alfred and Saysle Sts.
AUBURN—Unprogrammed Meeting, 1 p.m., 7th day worship. By appointment only. Auburn Prison, 136 State St., Auburn 3-3921. Requests must be processed through Phyllis Rantaneu, Coordinator, 21 N. Main St., Moravia, NY 13118. (315) 947-9540.
BUFFALO—Meeting and First-day School, 11 a.m., 72 N. Parade. Phone TX 6-8645.
CHAPPAGA—Quaker Road (Route 120). Meeting for worship and First-day School 10:30 a.m. Phone: 914-238-9031.
CLINTON—Meeting, Sundays, 10:30 a.m., Kirkland Art Center, On-The-Park. UL 2-2945.
CORNWALL—Meeting, 11 a.m. at 815 Girard Blvd., NE. Phone: 914-238-9031.
ELMIRA—10:30 a.m. Sundays, 155 West 6th Street. Phone 877-733-7572.
GRAHAMSVILLE—Greenfield & Neversink. Worship, 10 a.m. Sundays at Meeting House.
HAMPTON—Meeting for worship Sunday, 10 a.m. Chapel House, Colgate Univ.
Hudson—Meeting for worship, 10 a.m. Located between 1426 and 1428 Main St., Margarita G. Moeschl, clerk. 518-943-4165.
ITHACA—10 a.m., worship. First-day School, nursery: Anabel Taylor Hall, Sept.-May. 236-4214.
LONG ISLAND (Queens, Nassau, Suffolk Counties) — Unprogrammed Meetings for Worship, 11 a.m. First Days, unless otherwise noted.
FARMINGDALE—BETHPAGE—Meeting House Rd., opposite Bethpage State Park Clubhouse.
FLUSHING—137-16 Northern Blvd. Discussion group 10 a.m. First-day School 11 a.m. Phone: 718-380-5864. Open house 1 p.m. 1st and 3rd First Days, except 1st, 5th, 6th, and 12th Monthly.
HUNTINGTON—LLOYD HARBOR—Friends World College, Flower Lane. (516) 425-3672.
JERICHO—Old Parish Tpk. off Rte. 108 near intersection with 25A.
LOCUST VALLEY—MATINEECK—Duck Pond and Piping Rock Rd.
MARITIME—North Rd., at Shelter Rock Rd. First-day School 9:45 a.m.
ST. JAMES—CONSCIENCE BAY—W. of 50 Acre Rd. near Moriches Rd. First-day School 9:45 a.m.
SOUTHAMPTON—EASTERN LI—Administration Bldg., Southampton College, 1st and 3rd First-days.
Ohio

CINCINNATI—Clifton Friends Meeting, Westley Foundation Building, 2717 Clifton Ave. Meeting for worship 10 a.m. Phone: 861-2829.

CINCINNATI—Community Meeting (United) FGC & FUM—Unprogrammed worship, 10 a.m. Phone: 455-1951, (513) 861-4355. Wilhelmena Branson, clerk. (513) 221-8699.

CLEVELAND—Meeting for worship and First-day School, 11 a.m., 10916 Magnolia Dr. 701-2209.

CLEVELAND—Community Meeting, unprogrammed, Sunday evening. Call Judy Brutz 321-7456 or Elaine DeVoll 732-8865.

DELAWARE—at O.W.U. Phillips Hall, 10 a.m. Twice monthly unprogrammed meeting for worship. Contact Mary Lee Bailey, 399-4135 or Dottie Wodorf, 303-7013.

HUNDS—Unprogrammed Friends Meeting for worship, Sunday 4 p.m. at The Old Church of the Green. 1 E Main St., Hudson. (216) 652-7895.

KENT—Meeting for worship and First-day School, 10:30 a.m. 1195 Fairchild Ave. Phone: 671-9336.

N. COLUMBUS—Unprogrammed meeting 10 a.m. 1969 Broadside Rd. Call Cyprene Chapman, 484-4172 or Roger Warren, 486-4941.

SALEM—Wilbur Friends, unprogrammed meeting, First-day School, 1:30 p.m.; meeting for worship, 10:30 a.m.

TOLEDO—Allowed meeting, unprogrammed. Sundays, 10 a.m., The Ark (U of Toledo), 4996 Brookdale Rd. Information. David Taber, (419) 877-6861.

WAYNESVILLE—Friends Meeting, Fourth and High Streets, 9:30 a.m.; unprogrammed worship, 10:45 a.m.

WILMINGTON—Campus Meeting (United) FUM & FGC. Unprogrammed worship, 10, College Kelly Center. Esther L. Parquehar, clerk. (513) 862-8851.

WOOSTER—Unprogrammed meeting & First-day school, 10:30 a.m.; SW cor. College & Fine Sts. 394-9967.

YELLOW SPRINGS—Unprogrammed worship & First-day school, 11 a.m., Rockford Meetinghouse, President St. (Antioch Campus). Clerk: Gay Houston (513) 597-1476.

North Carolina

ASHEVILLE—Meeting, French Broad YWCA, Suite 310, 2 N. Market Ave. Phone: 226-8944.

CHAPEL HILL—Meeting for worship, 11 a.m. Clerk: Edwin L. Brown, phone 957-5010.

CHARLOTTE—Meeting for worship, 10:30 a.m. adult forum, 11:30 a.m. 2197 Remount Road. Phone: 394-3485.

DURHAM—Meeting at 10 at 404 Alexander Avenue. Contact David Smith 496-4495 or John Stratton 393-0371.

FAYETTEVILLE—Meeting 1 p.m., Quaker House, 223 Hillside Ave. Phone the Airmont, 485-2312.

GREENSBORO—Friendship Meeting (unprogrammed); Guilford College, Moon Room of Davis Auditorium, 11 a.m. George White, clerk, 294-0317.

GUILFORD COLLEGE, GREENSBORO—New Friends’ Meetings; Unprogrammed meeting 9-90; Church School, 9:45; meeting for worship, 11:00. Kiram H. Hillyard, phone 255-7774. Old W. Bills, Paixson.

RALEIGH—Unprogrammed meeting 16 a.m., 150 Woodburn Rd. Clerk, Nancy Routh, 631-2232.

WINSTON-SALEM—Unprogrammed worship in Friends’ homes, Sundays, 11 a.m. Call John S. Young, 310-722-6288.

WOODLAND—O-crest Grove Meeting: Sabbath School, 10:00; meeting for worship, 10:30 a.m. Janie A. Sans, clerk.

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Fourth and Arch Sts. First and Fifth days. Frankford, Penn. and Orthodox Sts., 11 a.m. Frankford, Unity and Wain Streets, 11 a.m. Germantown Meeting, Coulter Street and Germantown Avenue. Green Street Meeting, 45 W. School House Lane.

PHOENIXVILLE-SCHUYLKILL MEETING—East of Phoenixville and north of juncture of Whitehorse Road and Route 23. Worship, 10 a.m. Forum, 11:15.

PITTSBURGH—Meeting for worship and First-day School, 10:30 a.m.; adult class, 11:45 a.m., 4830 Ellsworth Ave.

PLYMOUTH MEETING—Germantown Pike and Butler Pike. First-day School, 10:15 a.m.; meeting for worship, 11:15 a.m.

QUAKERTOWN—Richland Monthly Meeting, Main and Mill Streets. First-day School, 10 a.m.; meeting for worship, 10:30 a.m.

RADNOR—Conestoga and Sproul Roads, Ethan. Meeting for worship and First-day School, 10:30 a.m. Forum 11:15 a.m.

READING—First-day School, 10 a.m. meeting 11 a.m. 103 North Sixth Street.

SOPUE—Sugar Rd., 2 miles NW of New Hope. Worship, 9:30 a.m., First-day School, 10:45 a.m. Phone: 607-6054.

SPRINGFIELD—Springfield Road and Old Sproul Road. Meeting 11 a.m. Sundays.

STATE COLLEGE—First-day School, 10 a.m.; First-day School 9:30 a.m.; meeting for worship, 10:45 a.m. 

SUMMITOWN-PENNNSYLVANIA AREA—Unami Monthly Meeting meets 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays at 7 p.m. Meetinghouse at 5th and Macoby Sts., Fairview. Phone 679-7842.

SWARTHMORE—Whittier Place, College Campus. Meeting & First-day School, 10 a.m. Forum, 11 a.m.


UPPER DUBLIN—Ft. Washington Ave. & Meeting House Rd., near Ambler. Worship and First-day School, 11 a.m.

VALLEY—West of King of Prussia; on Old Rt. 302 and Old Eagle School Road. First-day School and Forum, 10:00 a.m. (except summer); meeting for worship, 11:15 summer, 10 a.m.

WEST CHESTER—400 N. High St. First-day School, 10-30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m.

WEST GROVE—Harmony Meeting for worship, 10 a.m., followed by Adult Class 2nd and 4th Fridays.

WILKES-BARRE—North Branch Monthly Meeting. Wyoming Seminary Day School, 1560 Wyoming Avenue, Forty-Port. Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Meeting, 11:00, through May.

WILLISTOWN—Gothen and Warren Roads, Newtown Square. 7:30 a.m. Meeting for worship and First-day School, 10 a.m., Forum, 11 a.m.

WRIGHTSTOWN—First-day School, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 11. Route at Wrightstown.

YARDLEY—North Main St. Meeting for worship 10 a.m. First-day School follows meeting during winter months.

YORK—126 W. Philadelphia St. Meeting for worship 11 a.m. First-days.

South Dakota

SIOUX FALLS—Unprogrammed meeting, 10:30 a.m., 3207 S. Center (51160), 606-338-5744.

Tennessee

NASHVILLE—Meeting and First-day School, Sundays, 11:00 a.m., 2804 Acklen Ave. Clerk, Betty Johnson. Phone: (615) 255-0332.

WEST KNOXVILLE—Worship and First-day School, 10 a.m. D.W. Newton, 683-6540.

Texas

AUSTIN—Worship and First-day School, 11 a.m. Forum, 10 a.m., 3014 Washington Square, GL-2-1841. Otto Hofmann, clerk, 442-2283.

DALLAS—Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Park North Y.W.C.A., 4434 W. Northwest Highway. Clerk, George Kenney, 2137 Siesta Dr. FE-1-1348.

DALLAS—Evening Meeting for Worship and Community, Sunday 3-30 a.m. 4603 Lovers Lane. Pot luck supper. Call 522-3494 for information.

EL PASO—Worship and First-day School, 9 a.m. Zither T. Cornell, 584-7258, for location.

SAN ANTONIO—Unprogrammed meeting for worship, 11 a.m. first and third Sunday, Central Y.W.C.A., Phone 332-3540.

Utah

LOGAN—Meeting 11 a.m., CCF House, 3135 E. 7th North. Phone 532-2702.

ODEM—Sunday 11 a.m., Mattie Harris Hall, 315 S. 27th, 825-6799.

Vermont

BENNINGTON—Worship, Sunday 10:30 a.m. Bennington Library, 101 Silver St., P.O. Box 221. Bennington 60901.

BURLINGTON—Worship, 11 a.m. Sunday, back of 179 No. Prospect. Phone 802-662-8448.

MIDDLEBURY—Meeting for worship, Sunday 11 a.m., St. Mary's School, Shannon Street.

PLYMOUTH—Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sunday. Phone Gilson, Danville, 606-604-2591 or Lowe, Montpelier, 802-223-3742.

PUTNEY—Worship, Sunday, 10:30 a.m. The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd.

SHERBSBURY—Meeting, Worship Sunday, 11 a.m., home of Edith German, Cuttingsville, VT. Phone 452-3451.

Virginia

CHARLOTTESVILLE—Janie Porter Barrett School, 410 Ridge St. Adult discussion, 10 a.m.; worship, 11.

LINCOLN—Goose Creek United Meeting First-day School 10:00 a.m. meeting for worship, 11:00 a.m.

McLEAN—Langley Hill Meeting, Sunday, 10:30 a.m. Junction old Route 123 and Route 193.

RICHMOND—First-day School, 9:45 a.m. meeting, 11:00 a.m., 4500 Kensington Ave. Phone 339-0697.

WASHINGTON:—Leslie Nieves, clerk, 905 Preston, Blackburn 34060. Phone 703-552-2131.

WINCHESTER—Centre Meeting—203 North Washington. Worship, 10:15. Phone: 606-6497 or 606-6800.

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