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Meeting of sub-Committee on Future Plans
July 16, 1945, Y.W. Cottage, 4 p.m.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Arthur C. McGiffert, Chairman, at 4:10 p.m.
- II. Present: Mr. Allen C. Blaisdell, Mr. Galen M. Fisher, Mrs. Ruth W. Kingman, Dr. Arthur C. McGiffert, Jr., Dr. Paul S. Taylor, Miss Annie Clo Watson.
- III. Dr. McGiffert presented Mr. Crotty's letter of July 13, 1945 and his proposals with respect to the Los Angeles Committee, and plans for future financial support.

- A. Discussion centered about the budget of the Committee and the scope of the program which could be carried out with the available means.
1. September 1, 1945 will leave \$3000.00 available.
 2. Los Angeles and Pasadena have contributed a total of \$1342.00 to the total fund.
- B. Mr. Fisher proposed a plan whereby Los Angeles might assume their own financial responsibility by means of paying into the Central Office on a rising scale for the next four months a total of \$700.00. This amount to be matched by the Central Office on a decreasing scale.

Plan:

1. Central Office		Los Angeles
\$250.00	Sept.	\$100.00
200.00	Oct.	150.00
150.00	Nov.	200.00
100.00	Dec.	250.00
<u>\$700.00</u>		<u>\$700.00</u>

2. If the work of the Committee is to go on for another year, as seems to be necessary, we will need to raise additional funds, approximately \$1700.00.

- IV. Mrs. Kingman introduced the question "Where does the Committee go from here", as the primary problem before the sub-Committee.

- A. Mr. Fisher told of the plan to turn the work of the Fair Play Committee over to a more permanent organization such as a Council for Civic Unity.
- B. Mrs. Kingman told the sub-Committee the results of the Sacramento Conference:
1. The program committee for that Conference has been asked to serve as the organizing group to work up a plan for a state-wide plan for the various local Councils of Civic Unity to accept or reject.
 2. The Committee has met and drawn up tentative plans and proposals for a statewide coordinating body.
 - a. This organization can eventually become a forceful one, but now it is still in a nebulous state, and it is not possible to turn the work of the Fair Play Committee over to it.
 - b. It will take at least ten months to get the organization ready to assume the job.
 - c. The organizing of the statewide coordinating body is the work of the appointed Committee, which happens to have members of the Fair Play

Committee on it. The Fair Play Committee has been interested in promoting the organization of local Civic Unity Councils since January, 1945

C. It was decided that Mrs. Kingman devote part of her time to the job of getting the new state-wide organization going so that the Fair Play Committee will have some group to turn the job over to. Foundation grants can very likely be obtained to promote the work of a Council for Civic Unity type of organization.

1. Mrs. Kingman stated that she could combine the work of the Fair Play Committee under Plan No. II, and the work of organizing a state-wide Council for Civic Unity body.
2. This combined program of the Committee will necessitate an increase amounting to an average of \$75.00 per month in the total maintenance of the office, which includes \$50.00 monthly to maintain the salary of the Executive Secretary on 3/4 time.
3. It may be possible that the American Council on Race Relations will share the cost of organizing a state-wide coordinating group.

V. The Los Angeles set-up and plan of action was outlined.

- A. The type of organization there is distinct from that of the Executive Office; and the Los Angeles group may continue, if they so desire.
 1. The Executive Office will continue full support (see Paragraph III,B,1) until September 1, 1945.
 2. The Los Angeles and Pasadena Chapters should organize a finance Committee to lay plans for raising money to continue their program.
- B. Although discontinuing financial support, the Executive Office could continue in a consultative position with respect to the Southern California groups.

VI. In order for the Fair Play Committee to continue on the present basis, with the work terminating by June 1, 1946, or possibly May 1, 1946, additional funds are needed.

- A. Total office maintainance of the office for the next five months would amount to \$475.00, then decreasing to \$400.00 until June 1.
 1. A fuller program now will enable the work to decrease as the terminating point is reached.
 2. Cost:

\$475.00 per month for 5 mos.	\$2, 375.00
400.00 until June 1, 1946	2, 000.00
700.00 to Los Angeles	700.00
	\$5, 075.00
Balance on hand by Sept. 1.	3, 000.00
Amt. to be raised	\$2, 075.00
 3. This plan subject to revision by the first of the year.

- B. Mr. Blaisdell pointed out that we owe some support to JACL and we ought not to lose sight of the Japanese-American problem. It was agreed that we could turn our membership list over to them and make suggestions.

VII. Dr. McGiffert, asked for a motion outlining the decision of the sub-committee meeting, which decision will be recommended to the Executive Committee.

A. The motion to include:

1. A monthly budget of \$475.00 until February 1, 1946, decreasing to \$400.00 monthly, until June 1, 1946, subject to revision by the first of the year.
2. Mrs. Kingman will devote part of her time to the organizing of a state-wide Council of Civic Unity.
3. Los Angeles is to raise \$700.00 by January 1, as their share in maintenance cost after Sept. 1.
4. Support is to be requested from the American Council on Race Relations for the purpose of organizing Councils of Civic Unity.
5. Other possible means of support are to be considered.
6. The future plan is to be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

B. Mr. Blaisdell so moved.

Motion seconded by Miss Watson

C. Motion passed.

VIII. It was suggested we make recommendations to Los Angeles to work along similar lines, so that eventually the Fair Play Committee there can turn its work over to a Council for Civic Unity. Fair Play Committees could be the nucleus of Civic Unity groups.

IX. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Constance Halliday
Secretary