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ORGANISING & PROPAGANDA COMMITTEE

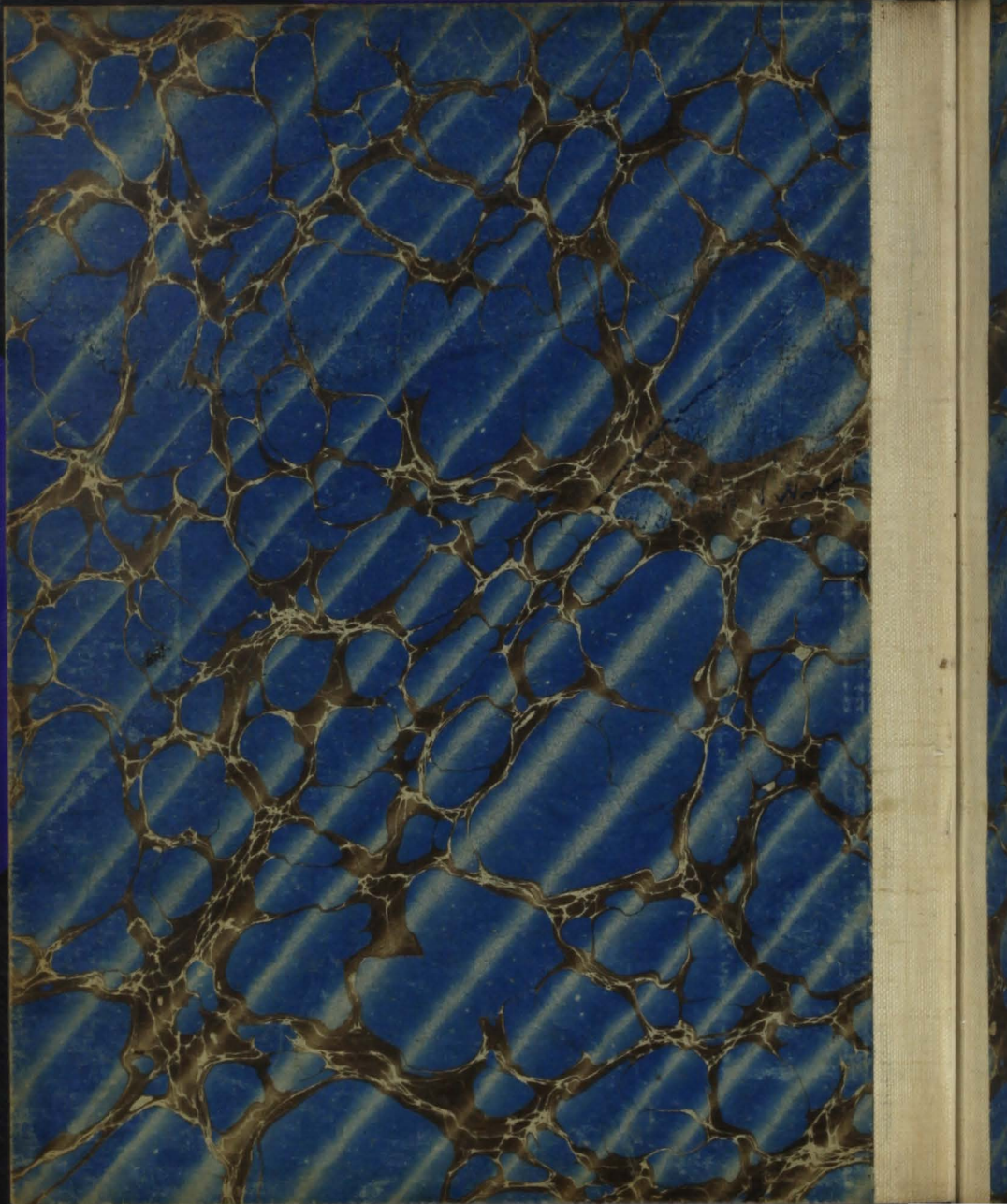
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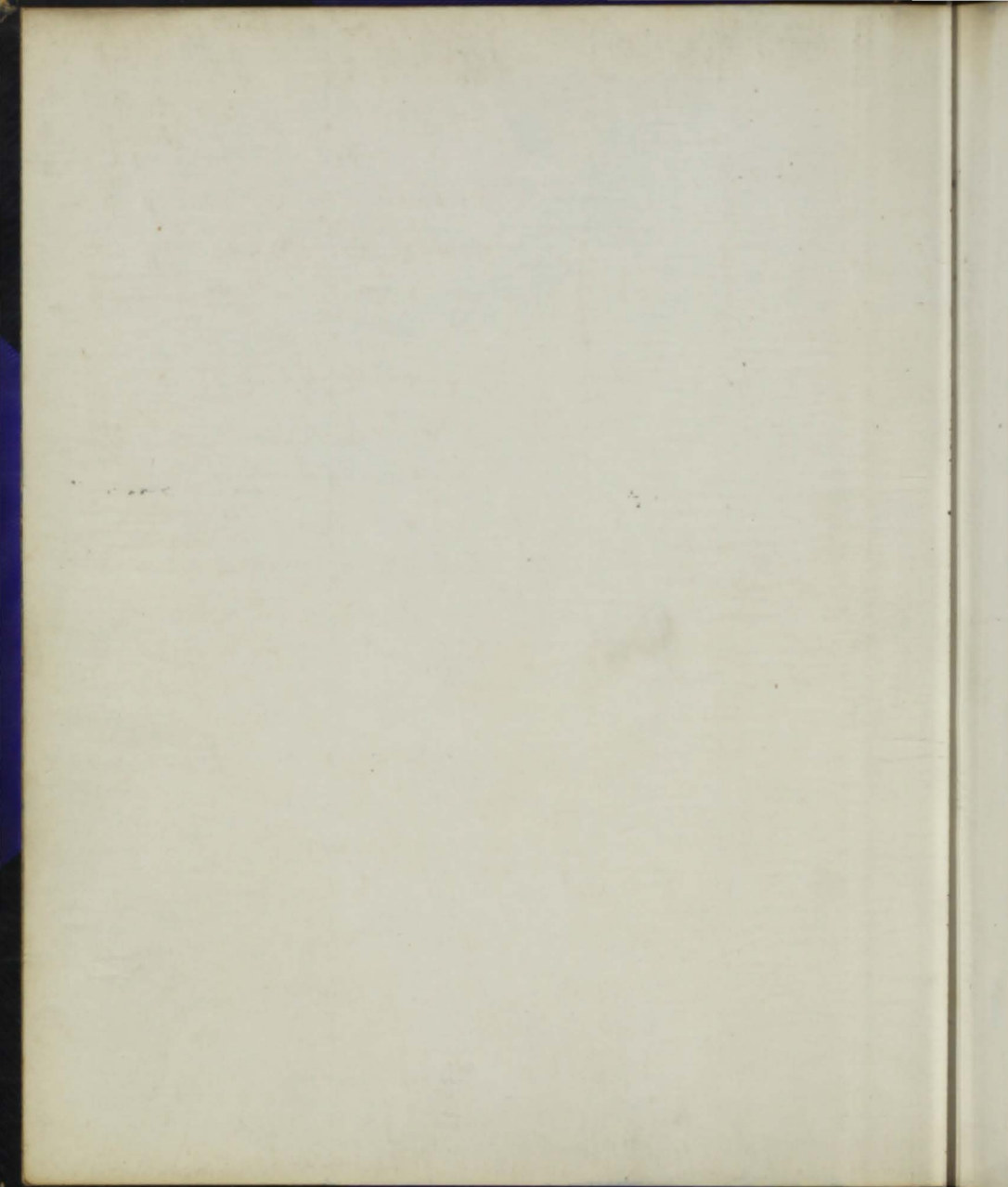
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Organizing Propaganda Committee November 9. 1911.

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Present. Mrs Atkinson, Schlosser, Mr Bentinck,  
~~Mrs Atkinson~~, Miss Murby, Dr. Bentham, Mr. Shaw  
Sharp, Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership. The following Report was submitted.

(a) Election of October Candidates. 32. last year 32.

Men - 1 @ 22.2. 2 @ 10/- 1 @ 7/6 3 @ 5/-  
average 12/1 previous month 13/-  
Women - 2 @ 10/- 3 @ 5/- 1 @ 2/6  
average 6/3 - previous month 6/2

Joint average 9/3

Provincial & University 5 @ 2/6 14 @ 1/-

Total average 4/5 - previous month 9/8

(b) Resignations.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
G. Beer	Lewisham	1907	7/6 8. 2.11.	Want of time.
J. A. Salter	Chelsea	1907	10/- 10. 3.11.	Becomes Associate
J. Keighley Snowden	W. Kensington	1910	25/- 28.10.11.	Cannot work for Society.
Mrs. Snowden				

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(2) cont.<sup>d</sup> Candidates were all elected and the resignations accepted except that of G. Beer who was to be written to.

(3) Organizing Secretary's Report on his Lectures in Provinces.

I visited Edinburgh Fabian Society on Thursday Novr. 2nd and lectured to fair audience. A special effort to prevent the Society being overshadowed by the University Society is being made. The latter body is quite flourishing and maintains its special rooms as a club and for lectures. I lectured at Liverpool to a meeting of the local Fabian Society on Monday. The audience was fair. The Society is much encouraged by the results of Municipal elections in which they took considerable part. On Tuesday I lectured to the Liverpool University Society. It is a small and struggling group which suffers from the fact that its members are the able people in the University who are full up with other work.

The Report was adopted

(4) Scheme for a Press Committee. The office was instructed to ~~be~~ report on Sharp's proposals.

(5) Shaw-Chesterton Debate. Shaw having written that he would probably not pass a verbatim report of the debate if it were taken it was decided not to incur the expense.



(6) New Society - The Org. Sec. reported he had arranged to open a new Society at Bourneville on Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>.

(7) Brighton Fabian Society. The sec: of the Brighton F.S. wrote that the Society would probably close owing to impossibility of finding a Secretary. It was decided that if the closing down be unavoidable ~~then arrangements~~ the Brighton members be asked to join the London Society.

(8) Mr Asquith's statement with regard to the franchise. This was brought up as a matter of urgency and it was decided to send the following report ~~to~~ and

recommendations <sup>to the S.C.</sup>

As a matter of urgency we have considered Mr. Asquith's statement that the Government intends to extend the franchise on what is practically the basis of manhood suffrage. We think that the Executive Committee should take steps to secure the inclusion of Women's Suffrage in the proposed legislation, and for this purpose we recommend that:-

- (a) That the Executive Committee send a deputation to the Parliamentary Labour Party to urge upon them to press for amendments giving the vote to women on the same terms as to men; and, failing that, to move for the inclusion of women and support amendments for the inclusion of women on the widest possible terms.
- (b) That a Conference be held between the Executive Committee and M. Ps. who are Fabians to discuss ways and means of securing the inclusion of women in the proposed legislation.

Mabel Atkinson  
Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> 1917

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Meeting November 23. 1911. 5.30 p.m.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Mr. C. Bentham, Mr. Bentinck, Miss Murby, Mr. Shaw, Schloesser, Pease and Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Conference between the Fabian E.C. and the Fabian members of Parliament. It was decided that Messrs Goldstone and Chancellor be approached to get them to arrange for the proposed conference on the promised Reform Bill to take place at the House of Commons on a Wednesday or Thursday as early as possible. (This was taken as an urgent matter)

(3) Reform Bill Agitation It was decided to ask the standing joint committee of the D.L.P. and the Fabian Socy to consider the holding of a big demonstration on the promised Reform Bill and to bring forward recommendations.

(4) Provincial and other Societies.

- (a) Letter was received from the Brighton F.S. stating that the Society was about to dissolve and to recommend all its members to join the London F.S. It was agreed that all the members be written to specially inviting them to join.
- (b) The org. sec. reported that he had arranged to open the Society at Bourneville on Nov 24<sup>th</sup> and
- (c) that new Societies had been formed at St. Andrew's University and at Montreal, Canada.
- (d). Org. sec. reported that a strong agitation had been started in Hull on the Housing Question based on the Hull Fabian Tract on the subject.

(5) Training of Lecturers Joint Committee. It was decided that the Education Group be invited to appoint two of its members to be co-opted on to the Training of Lecturers Joint Committee.

(6) Invitation to take part in the Albert Hall Meeting against the inclusion of domestic servants in the Insurance Bill

Invitation was received and it was decided to take no action thereon.

Scheme for Publicity Committee. The office presented a Report on this scheme for consideration of which was deferred.

Mabel Atkinson  
Dec. 7<sup>E</sup>. 1911.

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Minutes of meeting held Decr. 7. 1911. Office 5.30pm.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Sharp, Schloesser,  
Mr. Shaw, Miss Murby, Mr. Bentinck, Sanders and  
Pease.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and  
confirmed.

(2) Membership

(a) Election of Candidates, 39: last year 50  
Men, 1 @ £3., 3 @ 10/-, 2 @ 5/-, 1 @ 2/6.  
Average 14/8  
previous month 9/1.  
Women, 1 @ £1., 2 @ 10/6, 2 @ 5/-, 1 @ 2/6.  
Average 9/1  
previous month 6/3.  
Joint Average 12/1.  
Provincial and University 20 @ 2/6, 6 @ 1/-.  
Total average 5/4: previous month 4/5.

(b) Resignations. see list at end of minutes

(c) Members to be struck off do do do do

(d) Cases referred to Com: do do do do

(3) New Society. Org. Sec. reported he had formed a  
Society at Courneville with about 20 members.

#### (4) Suburban and Provincial Lectures.

(a) The organising secretary reported he had given courses at the following places. Owing to the Woolwich by-election for the L.C.C. he had to secure substitutes for several of the lectures at short notice and he arranged with Miss Hurby and Alban Gordon B.Sc. to take lectures at Ilford, Leytonstone and ~~Gravesend~~<sup>Gravesend</sup>. He also submitted lists of courses given and in progress; also of courses provisionally arranged.

Southampton F.S. and I.L.P. The lectures were well attended, audiences averaging over 100.

Ilford F.S. The course was held in different halls, opening at the Town Hall with an audience of 150. The other places were not so well attended.

Forest Gate F.S. This Course is not yet completed. It is being held in Canning Town. The audiences have been about 60, including Town Councillors and other local notabilities.

Gravesend I.L.P. A most successful course in an unpromising town. The meetings were well organised with local persons of importance in the chair and Alderman, councillors and local clergy in the audience. Average attendance over 200.

Leytonstone F.S. Course in progress. Audiences about 40.

(b) The following is a list of the Courses arranged up to date

#### Courses given or in progress.

Hanley I.L.P.	Southampton F.S. and I.L.P.
Newcastle-under-Lyme F.S.	Leytonstone F.S.
Oldham I.L.P.	Ilford F.S.
Didsbury)	Forest Gate F.S.
Marple )	Manchester F.S.
	Gravesend I.L.P.



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(4) Suburban and Provincial Lectures (contd.)

Courses to be given.

Bromley I.L.P.	Ipswich I.L.P.	Guildford I.L.P.
Leath I.L.P.	Sutton	Wandsworth I.L.P.
Grimsby I.L.P.	Derking I.L.P.	Loughborough F.S.
Scunthorpe I.L.P.	St. Pancras	(2 lectures)
Lewisham F.G.	Deptford F.G.	

Approximate cost of Courses given  
and arranged

£200

The Report was adopted.

(5) Conference with Local Groups and Societies in and near London. It was decided to hold this conference on Wednesday December 20<sup>th</sup>.

(6) Statement on Adult Suffrage. The Women's Group asked for permission to issue in its own name a manifesto on the promised Government Reform Bill and for it to be sent out with Fabian News. A copy of the manifesto had been sent to every member of the Executive. It was decided that both requests be complied with.

(7) Shaw-Chesterton Debate

The ~~Organ~~ Secretary reported that the Receipts and expenditure were approximately as under:-

Receipts.		Expenditure	
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Cash received for tickets	£132. 12. 6	Hall	£6. 6. 0
Amount outstanding	3. 9. 6	Police and Attendants	17. 6
		Printing (approx)	2.10. 0
		Postage, Telegrams and telephone (approx)	1.15. 3
		Fares	5. 0
		Sundries: Numbers for seats &c.	2 6
		Office Overtime (approx)	3. 0. 0
		Balance	<u>121 5. 9</u>
	<u>£ 136. 2. 0</u>		<u>£ 136. 2. 0</u>

One half the balance (about £60) is to be paid to the I.L.P. The I.L.P. sold tickets to the value of £24.15.6 and have paid in that sum which is included in the amount of cash received. The balance of the tickets were sold through the Fabian Office.

The Report was adopted

(8) Report of the Standing Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and the Fabian Society.

The following Report was presented:-

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Meeting Fabian Office, December 4th. 1911.

Present: W. C. Anderson (I.L.P.) (in chair),  
W. Holmes (I.L.P.), F. Johnson (I.L.P.)  
Pease (F.S.), Sanders (F.S.) and Sharp (F.S.)

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1.- Demonstration in favour of Adult Suffrage.

It was decided to recommend the constituent bodies in co-operation with the Labour Party to hold a Demonstration in the Albert Hall at a date near to the re-assembling of Parliament in 1912 in favour of Adult Suffrage. Instructions were given to approach the Labour Party at once and invite them to co-operate.

2.- Deputation to the Board of Education on School Clinics.

It was decided that the Chairman of the Labour Party be requested to arrange a deputation to the appropriate members of the Government to urge the provision of funds from the exchequer for the medical treatment of children by means of School Clinics. The deputation to be appointed by the I. L. P. + *75*.

3.- Manifesto on Fabian Policy.

Attention was called to an article in the "Labour Leader" of the week ending December 3rd. dealing with a "Manifesto" on Fabian Policy. The Committee decided unanimously to instruct its chairman and secretaries to write to the "Labour Leader" pointing out although the manifesto is signed by one of the members of this Committee which is promoting closer relations between the I.L.P. and the Fabian Society he did not consult his colleagues before issuing the document. And further to protest against the harmful method of publishing private "manifestoes".

*On (1) it was decided to recommend the E.C. to approve and take part.*

*On (2) it was decided that no action be taken, as it had been found impossible to arrange the deputation*

*(3) Information.*

Arising out of (3) it was decided that owing to the misunderstanding which seemed to be prevalent as to the status of the Committee which had issued the Manifesto, the secretary be instructed to write to the Labour Party pointing out that the B.C. was in no sense responsible for it. Letters in the same terms to be sent to Bristol and Liverpool Fabian Soc<sup>y</sup> which had written on the same subject.

(9) Scheme for Publicity Committee assumed until next meeting.

7/13/1919

(2) Membership (cont<sup>d</sup>)

On the appended lists the following action was taken

Resignations

Miss Wotham was kept on; also Miss Fairhall. Franklin was held over

Referred to Committee

All to be struck off excepting Gerrett, Meldrum, and Richards

Addresses lost

M<sup>rs</sup> Titterton and Titterton struck off for non-payment

Membership.

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Resignations.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss M.M.A. Ward	Hendon	1907	6/- 26/9/10	W. Lab. League
C. H. Collett	Hull	1908	2/6 26/2/08	Going abroad.
W. R. Lester	Riggleswade	1905	2/6 14/3/11	None
G. Davison	Harlech	1908	£10. 11/8/10	Becomes 10/- Associate
Miss W. H. Wortham	Newport	1906	5/- 13/3/11	Poverty
Montague Fordham	Petersfield	1906	21/- 15/2/11	Private reason
R. Hutton	Oxford	-	-	No interest
A. Grant	Raywater	1907	10/- 22/12/09	Can't pay or wo
John Munro	Edinburgh	1909	2/6 26/1/09	Certain members views
H. Franklin	Cambridge	-	-	Women's Suffrag
W. Davidson	Glasgow	1906	5/- 9/9/07	Strikes
Mrs. Hope	Coventry	-	-	Can't take part
Miss W. Fairhall	Stroud Green	1909	10/- 18/11/10	No reason
L. Wickenden	Tunbridge Wells	1907	5/- 13/11/10	Gone abroad
C. Paxton	Newport I.W.	1908	10/- 9/11/10	Out of sympathy
A. Eason	Edinburgh	1909	5/- 11/11/11	Going abroad
W. Robieson	Fossoway	1908	1/- 31/3/08	"Economic
Hewitt	Arrogear	June '11	June '08	"sceptic"
L. Holland	Pinlloe	July '11	June '08	10/-
Members in default to be struck off.				5/-
				10/6
A. E. Bishop	Hendon Bridge	1904	2/6 June 1907	5/-
G.R. Brett	Cardiff	1896	6/- Apr. 1907	5/-
Mrs. Davis Kennard	Partridge Green	1908	20/- Aug. 1909	5/-
H. Lake	Didsbury	1907	20/- Aug. 1909	5/-
Hon. Chas. Lister	Clifherce	-	-	£2.
Miss F. Nash	St. John's Wood	1909	10/- Aug. 1909	10/-
L. Shuttleworth	W. Kensington	1907	20/- June 1909	7/-
Miss Amy Wellington	N. Hampshire U.S.A	1906	10/- June 1909.	10/-
Ward Swan	China	May '10	Original member	5/-
Terrett	Southsea	Oct. '11	March '09	2/-
R. Titterton	Bloomsbury	Oct. '11	Apr. '08	18/-
S. Titterton	Do.	Do.	Feb. '09	2/6
Ms H. Willis	Stafford	July '11	Mar. '10	5/-

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G. A. Finch	Wallington ✓	1898	5/-	April 2 1907
A.G. Gerrett	Westminster	1908	10/-	July 30th 1909
C. S. Heap	Kendal ✓	1905	5/-	Sept. 2 1909
W. Tople	Cork	1908	10/-	Jan. 1 1908
J. Meldrum	New York	1898	10/-	Mar. 1908
R. A. Roberts	Hendon	1906	5/-	Jan 1909
H. F. Russell	Brentwood ✓	1907	10/-	Mar. 1907
Miss Webster	Clapton	1909	4/-	July 1909
T. F. Richards	Streatham	1907	10/6	July 1909

Members whose addresses are lost.

				Sub.
H. Adkins	St. James's	July '11 ✓	Jan. '06	£1.
A. A. Bone	Blackheath	Oct. '11 ✓	Oct. '08	5/-
W. Brookes	Wakefield	Apr. '11 ✓	Oct. '07	5/-
D. Brownlie	Manchester	Apr. '11 ✓	Mar '08	10/-
Mrs. Coffin	Paris	Aug. '10 ✓	May '10	10/-
T. C. Derrick	Parsons Green	Oct. '11 ✓	Apr. '07	5/-
C. Gould	Brook Green	May '11 ✓	Feb. '09	5/-
T. Graf	Gower Street	Oct. '11 ✓	Mar. '09	£2.
Mrs. Greenfell	Oxford	Aug. '10 ✓	Sep. '90	5/-
K. Hanselman	Finsbury Park	Dec. '11 ✓	June '11	10/-
Miss Hartley	Ilkley	Sep. '10 ✓	Jan. '10	10/-
W. Hewitt	Arrochar	June '11 ✓	Sep. '07	5/-
E. L. Holland	Pinlco	July '11 ✓	June '08	10/-
A. J. Horn	Wandsworth	Sept '11 ✓	June '08	5/-
E. A. Horne	Rushey	June '11 ✓	Sep. '07	10/6
A. H. Howells	Merthyr	Oct. '10 ✓	Apr. '07	5/-
J. Littlejohns	Battersea	May '11 ✓	June '99	5/-
T. McLaughrie	Leamhagov	July '11 ✓	Jan '11	5/-
E. C. Macirone	Hampstead	Sep. '11 ✓	Mar '06	5/-
Miss M. Freeland	Bromesbury	Aug. '10 ✓	Aug. '07	5/-
Miss Medley	Hanover Sq.	Sep. '11 ✓	June '07	£2.
J. Miller	Marylebone	May '11 ✓	July '10	10/-
S. Moussa	Hampstead	Feb '11 ✓	July '09	7/-
Mrs. G. T. Reid	Marylebone	Sep. '11 ✓	Mar. '10	10/-
Miss A. Robins	W. Kensington	June '11 ✓	Dec. '07	5/-
Rev. T. Rook	Sunderland	Oct. '11 ✓	Dec. '98	2/-
Howard Swan	China	May '10 ✓	Original member	2/6
G. Terrett	Southsea	Oct. '11 ✓	March '09	18/-
W. R. Titterton	Bloomsbury	Oct. '11 ✓	Apr. '08	2/6
Mrs. Titterton	Do.	Do. ✓	Feb. '09	5/-
Miss H. Willis	Stafford	July '11 ✓	Mar. '10	5/-

The first thing I noticed when I stepped  
 out of the hotel - the air was hot and dry  
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Meeting, Thursday January <sup>14</sup> 5. 1912

Present Miss Murby (in chair) Sharp, Pease and  
Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Apologies were announced from Mr. Bentinck and Dr. Bensham.
- (3) Membership (a) 48 candidates were elected as against 45 last year.  
Men 2 @ 20/-, 1 @ 15/-, 1 @ 10/-, 3 @ 5/-  
Average 11/6.  
Previous month 14/8.  
Women 1 @ 8/-, 1 @ 5/-  
Average 6/6  
Previous month 9/1  
Provincial and University: 27 @ 2/6, 12 @ 1/-  
Total average 3/7  
Previous month 5/4



(b) The following resignations were considered:-

Mr. Elizabeth Smith	Streatham	1906	£40/1	15/11/9	no reason
Mr. Hodgkinson	Dayswater	1904	£2	1/3/11	no time.
Mr. Gill.	Ditchling	1907	5/-	27/12/11	out of sympathy
P. L. Dixon.	Hull	1908	2/6	28/3/8	do
Rev. L. A. Wilson Haffenden,	Sidecup.	1908	5/-	2/2/11	going abroad
A. E. Eledon	Humstead	1906	10/6		no reason
H. Franklin	Cambourge.	-	-	-	-

All were accepted except that of Mr. Hodgkinson which was held over.

(c) The following were struck off for nonpayment of subs.

Harry Moyland	Darrow	1898	5/-	19/11/06	last payment
Wm Blackwood	Glasgow	1908	-	-	-

(d) Several replies ~~from~~ <sup>to</sup> letters asking <sup>members</sup> intending to resign to reconsider their decision were received; 2 were favourable 1 unfavourable.

New Societies Org. Sec: reported that a movement was on foot to form a Fabian Socy in Norwich, but as he was under the impression that it might be intended as an unfriendly act towards the S.L.P.

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he had urged the promoter to take no further action without first consulting the local A.P. officials. The Committee approved. A letter was read from the St. Andrews W. F. S. which stated that active work would begin in the coming session.

(5) Albert Hall The Org. Sec. reported that he had had an interview with the manager of Albert Hall and the refusal to let the hall to the Fabian Society had been withdrawn.

(6) Conference with the secretaries of London local Groups and Societies near London Decr. 20<sup>th</sup>.  
The following Report was received

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Present: Mrs. Shaw and the Organizing Secretary representing the Organizing and Propaganda Committee. Miss Hayland (Marylebone F.G.) Ellis (Woodford F.G.) Mrs. Edwards (Finchley F.G.) Anderson (Lewisham F.G.) Gent (Ilford F.S.) Csborn (Forest Gate F.S.) Mrs. Bracegirdle (Chelsea F.S.) Sydenham (Golders Green F.S.) Hope (Palmer's Green F.S.)

Apologies were received from Miss Atkinson, Miss Thomson, (Hampstead F.G.) Mrs. Bentinck, Mrs. Kelsey (Golders Green F.S.) and Dr. Bentham.

The Conference renewed suggestions made at the meeting held last July and the representatives of the Groups and Societies expressed their satisfaction with the way in which the Executive Committee had dealt with the proposals then agreed upon. They strongly approved the formation of the Speakers Class. It was suggested that a handbook for secretaries of groups and societies be compiled giving particulars of the various activities carried on by Fabian organizations. A general interchange of experience took place which indicated that success of the work of the Groups depends largely upon the energy and ability of a few members in every instance

(7) University Fabian Societies. The Org. Sec. stated that suggestions had made by Alban Gordon for strengthening the University Fabian Societies. As a promised written statement from Gordon had not been received the matter was held over.

(8) Provincial Lecturing. The Org. Sec. reported that it was necessary to appoint some one to take courses arranged in Lincolnshire. It was decided that Beaumont be asked to take these lectures and failing him C. M. Lloyd.

9. Speakers Class. It was reported that 18 members of the Society had applied to join the class. It was expected that a considerable number of applicants would come from the I.L.P. The arrangements for the class would be as follows: Graham Wallas to lecture on the Psychology of Propaganda on Jan: 24<sup>th</sup> at Cliffords Inn Hall. It was agreed that Dad should be asked to take the chair. Mr. Manson's <sup>six</sup> ~~lecture~~ <sup>spots</sup> on Voice Production would be given weekly on Tuesdays at the Fabian Office commencing January 30<sup>th</sup>. The Org. Sec: to follow Mr. Manson with five lessons in the practice of propaganda, commencing Tuesday March 5<sup>th</sup>.

10. Publicity Committee It was decided to recommend that the schemes for this proposed Committee should be referred to the Special Committee appointed to consider "Reform" proposals.

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11. Maude Debate. As a matter of urgency permission was given to Maude to speak as a repr: of the Fabian Society in a debate between himself and Dr Lunselmann was, the rep of the Anti Socialist Union.

Mabel Atkinson  
Jan. 18<sup>th</sup> 1912

Meeting January 18<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Miss Murby,  
D<sup>r</sup>. Dentham, M<sup>rs</sup>. Dentinek, W. Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

(2) Proposal for a French Fabian Society A letter from Robert E. Dell was read outlining the present political situation and the relation of advanced intellectuals to the Socialist movement <sup>in France</sup> and stating that there was need for a Fabian movement adapted to French conditions. It was decided to circulate the letter to the E.C. and to recommend that before any steps (if any) be taken the French Socialist Party be consulted

(3) Speakers Class

The following report was received and adopted:-

Report of Joint Committee held Jan. 16th. -

We have gone through the list of applications numbering in all 51. We have selected 35 names, 5 of which are to be held in reserve in case applicants drop out. We have instructed the Organizing Secretary to write to the selected students asking them to give an undertaking that they will attend all meetings of the class subject to any unforeseen hindrance. Also to write to applicants not selected stating that if the present class is successful further classes will be formed to which they will be invited. We trust that members of the Executive Committee will attend the classes as visitors in order that they may be in a position to make suggestions for the improvement and extension of the scheme.

#### (4) Suburban Lectures

(a) Request from the Hounslow Branch I.L.P. for a course in March. Agreed that the course be given.

(b) Reported that Beaumont had taken the Lincolnshire courses but Alban Gordon had been his substitute for the first lectures.

#### (5) University Fabian Societies.

A lengthy series of suggestions were received from Alban Gordon with regard to the organization of University Fabian Societies and a

letter from the Manchester University, F.S.  
stating that that Society was calling an  
Inter-University Fabian Conference in March.  
It was agreed that the Org. Sec: consult Allen  
as to whether the E.C. can assist in organizing  
marking the conference. ~~answer~~

- (6) Presentation of map Standing having presented a  
wall map of the United Kingdom to the Society  
it was agreed that he be thanked.
- (7) Albert Hall Demonstration. The org. sec. reported  
progress with regard to the meeting.
- (8) Letter to the Prime Minister. As a matter of  
urgency the org. sec: submitted a letter which the  
chairman of the Civil Service Committee of the Society  
deemed to be sent to the Prime Minister with regard  
to the composition of the proposed Civil Service  
Commission. Miss Atkinson stated that ~~that~~  
the letter did not meet with her approval and it was  
agreed that she should redraft it and if the  
Sec (Pearson) after consulting members of the E.C.



considered that he could sign the letter if he then  
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Meeting Feb 1 1912.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) D. Bentham,  
Miss Murby, Schweser, M<sup>r</sup>. Bentinck, M<sup>r</sup>. Shaw,  
Sanders.

- (1) Minutes. of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Speakers Class. Org. Sec. reported successful opening of Class by Graham Wallas and M<sup>r</sup>. Manson. It was ~~previously~~ decided that ~~the~~ members of the class who ~~do~~ miss one attendance without good reason should be struck off. Also that a second class should not be started at present.
- (3) Provincial Courses. Org. Sec. reported he had given the lecture Course at Ipswich to audiences of 200 to 250 chiefly lower middle-class - teachers, clerks &c. Letter was read from Grimby saying the course there by

Beaumont had been largely attended and thanking the Society for its assistance in propaganda.

5. References from Ex. Com. . Occupational Index. Voluntary  
Workers

It was decided that the Office draft circular to members for the purpose of compiling occupational Index and list of Voluntary workers.

Professional Lecturers. The question of compiling a panel of professional lecturers was considered. The following names were suggested H Snell, H Beaumont, Miss Murby, J Marion Phillips, Ewins + Alban Gordon. The matter was then adjourned until the next meeting.

(6) Lecture list. Org: Sec: reported list in proof. Instructed to obtain price before issue.

(7) Inter University Fabian Organization. Org: Sec: reported ~~he had received letter from Manchester Univ: Fabian Society asking if the C.S. would contribute towards cost of proposed Inter-University Fabian Conference.~~

he had consulted Allen with regard to the proposed Conference to be held at Manchester of the University, Fabian Societies and he had agreed that the London C.P. should try to get the Manchester University to hold over the proposal until the Cambridge & Oxford Societies had considered the matter. The Org. Sec: was instructed to ask Allen for the details of his scheme of Federation.

(8) Albert Hall Demonstration. Org. Sec reported that sale of tickets was not satisfactory. Various suggestions were made for the consideration of the Demonstration Committee.

(9) Chairman for Members Meeting Feb: 9<sup>th</sup>. It was decided that Mr Gordon Palin be asked to take chair on Feb. 9. Failing him Pease, Sanders & Schlosser to agree on a chairman.

Election of Candidates. 42: last year 25.

Men 1 @ £2.6.0. 3 @ £1.1.0. 1 @ 15/-. 1 @ 13/-.

1 @ 10/6. 1 @ 10/-. 1 @ 7/6. 5 @ 5/-.

Average 13/7.

Previous month 11/6.

Women 2 @ 10/- 6 @ 5/-.

Average 6/3.

Previous month 6/6.

Provincial & University. 6 @ 2/6. 14 @ 1/-.

Total average 6/2.

Previous month 3/7.

It was decided to inform the E.C. that it is not proposed to continue the above analysis

Clifford B Sharp

Meeting, Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Present Clifford Sharp (in chair) Miss Atkinson,  
 Mrs. Shaw, Miss Murby, Miss Atkinson Sanders,  
 Mr. Conrick.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

(2) Membership

		Resignations.			
Name	Address.	Elected.	Last Sub.	Reason.	
Rev. P. E. Richards.	Lahore.	1909	£1/1/- 4.1.11	Too far off.	
Mrs. Richards					
A. Floyd	Wimbledon	1907	10/6 10.2.12	Change of opinion: becomes subscriber.	
T. Bond	Worcester	1905	1/1/- 28.11.10	Too far off.	
Miss K. S. Martin	Marylebone	1907	5/- 13.3.11	None.	
Mrs. Larkom Jacobs	Highgate	1908	15/- 16.1.11	None.	
C. B. Byles	Ashton-on-Mersey	1899	£1. 3.12.10	Gone to Australia.	
Dr. M. D. Eder	Hendon	1906	£2/10/- 18/11/10	Joined B.S.F.	
J. Higgins.	Hampstead	1910	5/- 20.3.11.	Poverty.	
M. Wilson.	Stockwell	1907.	10/- 10.1.11.	Not interested	
T. C. Karrup	Grays Inn.	1911.	10/- 16.3.11.	None.	
A. Langlands.	Clapham.	1907.	10/6 13.11.11.	Leaving London.	
Mrs. J. Mylles.	Erixton.	1909.	2/6 13.5.09.	None.	
Mrs. Berrill.	S. Woodford.	1905	5/- 11.1.12.	Ill health.	
Dorothy Salmon	Swansea	1907	7/6 17.3.11.	None.	
W. J. Lake	Cambridge	1908	- -	Change of opinion.	

T. Richards ex M. P. and G. Beer withdraw resignations.  
 have back subscriptions.

The resignations of the Rev. P. B. Richards and Mr Richards, A. Lloyd, C. R. Ryles, M. Wilson, Mr J. Mylles <sup>J. R. R. R.</sup> & Mr. J. Lake were accepted. The others to be written to.

3) Social Committee The Org. Sec. reported on behalf of the Social Committee that a most successful At Home had been held at the Gardenia Rest on Monday Feb: 12<sup>th</sup>: over 100 present. Also that the Social Committee recommended that a Reception be given to Mr & Mrs. Webb on their return from the East. This to be the big social function of the year.

The Report and recommendation were adopted but it was decided to leave over the question as to whether ~~to~~ to hold a Reception or Dinner to be held over; in the meantime the Org. Sec. to write to the Webbs as to the date of their arrival home and for their approval of the proposal

(4) Lecture List. It was agreed that 2,000 copies of the Lecture list be printed.

(5) Circular to members. The Org. Sec. submitted copy for circular to members for the purpose of compiling occupation index and list of voluntary workers. With certain alterations the copy was approved.

(6) Inter University Fabian Organization The Org. Sec. reported that he <sup>had</sup> had an interview with Clifford Allen who had promised to let the Committee have his scheme for federating Fabian Societies. The scheme was now to hand and it appeared that it was proposed by Allen to form a non-Fabian organization. It was decided that the request received from the Manchester U.S. that a contribution should be made by the E.C. towards the cost of holding a Conference to consider their proposals and others, should be held over until the Sec. had seen Warmisham who was acting as Secretary of the Conference Committee of the Manchester U.S.

(7) Panel of Professional lectures.

It was decided that the E.C. be recommended



to constitute a panel of professional lecturers consisting of the following:-  
 H Snell, H Beaumont, Miss Murby, D. Marion Phillips, Alban Gordon & Sidney Herbert (the latter to be consulted as to his willingness to act.)

3) Nursery & J.F.P. Lectures Letter was read from the Bermoxsey J.F.P. complaining that a lecture in a course run by the joint Committee of the Nursery and J.F.P. given by Weston Wells had been in complete variance with the syllabus supplied and that the Branch considered this to be a grave breach of faith. The Org. Sec. was instructed to write for further information.

(9) Albert Hall Demonstration

The Org. Sec. gave the following provisional financial statement in connection with the meeting:-

Receipts. Tickets sold £188; Collection £70 Total £258  
 Expenditure. Hire of Hall, Printing, postage etc £245

Estimated Balance £13

(10) Subject Groups

Motion by Miss Murby

That the office be instructed to report upon  
the constitution and present position of the  
Subject Groups.

The motion was carried unanimously.

29.2.12 E. M. D. D. D.

(106/22)  
Meeting, Thursday, March \* February 29<sup>th</sup>  
1912

Present D. Benscham (in chair part time) Miss Atkinson  
(in chair) M<sup>r</sup>: Pentreath, Schloesser Sanders.  
Miss Morby.

1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Membership Letters were read from  
(a) John Higgins [withdrawing resignation  
(b) D. Eder & Miss Salmon declining to withdraw  
resignations.

3) Proposed French Fabian Society.

Letter was read from Robert Hertz  
confirming view that it would be undesirable  
to form a new Socialist Society in Paris  
without consulting Jaurès, and suggesting  
that Shaw might lecture in Paris under  
the auspices of the Ecole Socialiste.  
The Org. Sec. was instructed to consult  
Shaw with reference to the suggestion and  
to consult Hertz with regard to sending

(6)  
Bell a copy of his letter. If Shaw is willing to go to Paris the proposed meeting to be arranged through Herbert.

Further letter was read from Bell stating that he did not desire the formation of a Society with a definitely Socialist basis but a Society purely for study. It was ~~recommended~~ agreed to recommend the E.C. that no action be taken on Bell's proposal as a Society for the study of social and political matters without a socialist basis could be formed without the help of the Fabian Society.

(6)

(H) Interuniversity Fabian Conference. Several letters from Warrington, Manchester M.F.S. were read and it was decided that the Org. Sec. should attend the Conference Committee at Manchester on Sunday March 3<sup>rd</sup> if that Committee agreed, in order to clear up the various questions which have arisen in connection with the proposed Conference.

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(5) Nursery & I.L.P. Lecture. Further letters were received in connection with Weston's Hill's lecture at the Bermondsey <sup>I.L.P.</sup> from Dr. Salter and S. G. Ammon. Agreed that the Org. Sec. write a letter to Weston Hill, admonishing him in suitable terms for not giving the lecture ~~as per~~ according to the syllabus provided to the Bermondsey I.L.P.

(6) New Societies Org. Sec. reported that a Society had been definitely established in Dover and that steps were being taken to form a Society at Oldham.

(7) Albert Hall Demonstration. Org. Sec. presented final statement of receipts and expenditures showing a surplus of £23. He reported that the Demonstration Committee had voted £5 each to the Women's Labour League, I.L.P. Adult Suffrage Campaign, Fabian Women's Group, Suffrage Com. and the People's Suffrage Federation. The report was adopted.

(8) Panel of Professional Lecturers. Sydney Herbert wrote

regretting his inability to be a professional  
lecture owing to his official position. It was  
agreed that he be asked to act as unadvertised  
substitute should the need arise.

Mabel Atkinson

March. 14. 1912.

Minutes of Meeting March 14<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Present  $\frac{1}{2}$  Miss Atkinson (chair) Miss Murby, Mr. Bentinck, Sharp, Sanders.

1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Membership

(a) New Members, 41, were elected against 25 last year

(b) Resignations: the following were dealt with:-

Name.	Address.	Elected.	Last Sub.	Reason.
H. P. Vowles.	Rugby.	Feb. '11	5/- 11/2/11	None.
Miss L. Wylie	N. York	Oct. '09	5/- 19/1/11	None.
Miss Billing	Didcot	Feb. '08	5/- 11/1/11	None.
J. B. Wheatcroft	Sheffield	June '10	- - - -	None.
Alfred Cox	Coulsden	Mar. '07	10/- 3/11/11	None.

Austin Priestman. Bradford. May '07 20/- 3/3/10. Too far away.

It was decided that Cox & Priestman be written to.

(c) Final letter. It was decided that the following receive final letter.

G. Painter	Birmingham	Dec. '09	6/- 13/11/9
G. Ogilvie	Glasgow (?)	Nov. '98	10/- 15/7/8
G. L. Gomme	London	June '09	5/- 8/5/0
H. Higginbottom	Llandudno	Mar. '09	5/- 8/3/09
J. McGreath	Manchester	Feb. '09	5/- 11/1/09
Mrs. McGreath	do.	Feb. '09	5/- 19/1/09
J. McLaren	Blackburn	Apr. '05	3/8 25/8/10
G. H. Yarker	Isleworth	Nov. '08	5/- 20/11/09
F. E. Yarker	Highbury	Nov. '08	6/- 2/1/10
Mrs. Yarker	Highbury	Nov. '08	5/- 2/12/09.

## Membership (cont)

(a) Lost Addresses. The following members were reported as having "gone away" and left no address; they were ordered to be removed from list until information came to hand.  
(see list at end of these meetings)

### (a) University and Local Society Members

133 University Members who had gone down, been written to and not replied were struck off. (1/22)

31, Local Society Members dropped from the various Societies' lists were struck off.

### (3) Proposed French Fabian Society

(a) Letter was read from Shaw declining to lecture in French in Paris.

(b) Letters from Hertz were read stating that he had no objection to extracts from his letter being sent to Bell, and that a lecture from Shaw in English would be of little value in Paris.

Letters were received.

### (4) The Inter-University Fabian Conference

Organizing Secretary's Report (appended) of the proceedings of the Conference Committee at Manchester



was received. It was decided to recommend that if the Conference were held in London at the same time as the Fabian Conference the B.C. should pay the extra expenses. There being a meeting of the proposed University-Conference Committee on Saturday next 16<sup>th</sup> inst in London it was further decided that Miss Atkinson represent the B.C. there in place of the Prof<sup>r</sup>: who had a lecturer's engagement. (Report at end of other minutes)

(5) Circular to members which had been circulated was amended and recommended to the B.C. for approval.

(6) Circular to new members. A reprint of this being necessary it was agreed that it be rewritten and the matter in the Circular to members (see No 5 above) be embodied.

(8) Standing Joint Committee of the S.P. and the Fabian Society

The following Report of the meeting of above Committee held on Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> 1912 was received and adopted.

Standing Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.  
Report of meeting held Monday March 11th 1912.

(1) Local Government Bureau.

It was decided that the management of the Bureau should be taken over by the Committee and carried on under the present system, the Fabian Society doing all necessary clerical work, replying to most of the enquiries and sending all its publications to subscribers, the I.L.P. supplying the tracts it issues on Local Government topics (last year none were supplied). The accounts for the past year (1911) were as follows:-

Receipts.

Jan.	Balance in hand	£ 5. 4. 10.
To Dec. 31st	Subscriptions	20. 2. 6.
		<u>£25. 7. 4.</u>

Expenditure.

Aets of Parliament bought	11½
Receipt books	1. 0
Steps towards Socialism	5. 8. 5
Notepaper	11. 0
Application Forms	1. 2. 6
Postage (Fabian Society)	4. 4. 1
Tracts (Fabian Society)	10. 0. 0
Balance carried forward	<u>4. 1. 6*</u>
	<u>£25. 7. 4.</u>

It was decided to issue Steps Towards Socialism again and to appoint Sanders editor in place of Johnson.

- (2) It was decided to consider the question of reviving the First Sunday in May Labour Demonstration and Sanders was instructed to draw up a scheme of organisation and submit to the next meeting of the Joint Committee.

Organizing Secretary's Report of Meeting at Manchester  
Sunday, March 3rd 1912, of the Committee to arrange  
Proposed Conference of University Fabian  
Societies.

I attended, as instructed, the above meeting called  
by the Manchester University Fabian Society. There were  
present, Ellis (Manchester) chairman, Warrington (Manchester)  
secretary, Allen (Cambridge), <sup>Manchester (by proxy)</sup> Amott (Glasgow), Fenn (Liverpool)  
and myself. The London, Birmingham, Edinburgh and St. Andrews  
Societies were not represented, but it was reported that they  
were in favour of holding a Conference. It was decided  
that a Conference of the University Fabian Societies be  
held on March 29th and 30th at Manchester. On the question  
of the title of the Conference it was proposed that it be  
called an "Inter-University Socialist Conference", and  
that its object be the formation of a federation of University  
Fabian Societies under the name of "The University Socialist  
Federation". I held that the name Fabian should not be departed  
from and gave the view of the Organizing & Propaganda  
Committee that the business of Fabian Societies was to promote  
and strengthen Fabian bodies and that for Universities  
Fabian Societies were practically the only possible form of  
Socialist organization. This view was accepted as correct  
by all present, but it was urged that if the Conference  
were announced definitely as a Socialist one it would be more

likely to challenge public attention than if it were described as a Fabian gathering. It was also stated that for the same reason the proposed Federation should be given the title of Socialist although its purpose would be to establish new and strengthen existing University Fabian Societies. It was finally agreed that the Conference be called an "Inter-University Socialist Conference" with the following note appended "(being a Conference of University Fabian Societies)". Liverpool and Glasgow dissented as they were in favour of the name Fabian being adhered to. It was also decided

- That
- (a) that <sup>three</sup> ~~two~~ delegates be invited to the Conference <sup>from</sup> each University Fabian Society.
  - (b) that each Society be asked to use funds to meet the cost of the Conference.
  - (c) That the Executive Committee be asked to make a grant towards the expenses.
  - (d) that each Society be invited to put forward suggestions with regard to the constitution of the proposed Federation.
  - (e) that Clifford Allen be Chairman of the Conference.

Several other minor points were also settled. After the meeting I invited Clifford Allen to attend as a deputation to the next meeting of the Organizing & Propaganda Committee to explain further the objects of the Conference and the proposed Federation <sup>so</sup> that the Committee may be seized of all the facts before it decides to contribute or not towards the expenses of the Conference, and he agreed to come.

Wm. Stephen Sanders.

- (10). Fabian Conference. It was decided to recommend the  
 E.C. to hold the Annual Conference on  
 the first Saturday in July.

Cost Addresses

Name.	Last address.	loss.	Elected.	Sub.
Rev. G. B. Carlisle	Coventry	Feb. '10	Mar. '09	7/6
Major Wilnot Vaughan	S. Kensington	Nov. '10	June '10	£1
Miss J. Coates	Burwash	Sept. '11	Mar. '07	5/-
H. Clemens	E. Ham	June '09	Mar. '06	10/-
G. Edwards	Balham	Feb. '11	Jan. '09	£1
Wm. Day	Baling	Dec. '10	Apr. '08	10/-
Wm. Forbes	Shoffield	Nov. '09	Feb. '08	2/6
Wm. Langham	Leicester	Sept. '11	-	-
R. V. Hansford	S. Hackney	Oct. '11	Dec. '08	0/-
P. D. Hugon	Brixton	Feb. '12	June '07	5/-
J. McGowan	Glasgow	June '11	May '06	5/6
T. Murphy	Edinburgh	Sept. '10	Feb. '08	1/-
Miss Meikle	Highbate	Dec. '11	Dec. '09	10/-
Miss Waldron	Battersea	Sept. '11	Dec. '10	5/-

Mabel Atkinson.  
 March 28<sup>th</sup> 1912.

career has been THE FABIAN SUBJECT GROUPS, all membership has fallen to about 25. An attempt was made recently to revive interest in its work, but the response has been extremely disappointing.

Its activities have The Women's Group, the holding of lectures and discussions on subjects of interest to local Government.

The Women's Group is the largest of the Subject Groups, having a membership of 227. It is open to all women members of the Fabian Society. Its work is fully set out in the Annual Report annexed. All the main activities of the Group, especially those in connection with the publication of Tracts etc., have been always reported to the Executive Committee and its advice taken or its consent to action requested.

The Education Group

This Group is open to all members of the Fabian Society. Its main work has been the holding of meetings and discussions on educational Subjects. The cost of its larger meetings held at Cliffords Inn Hall has been defrayed by the Executive Committee and the Group has always consulted the Executive Committee with regard to its programme. It recently took part in the organization of an important conference on Half-time. The paying membership is at the moment small mainly owing to disorganization arising from change in the secretaryship.

The Local Government Group

This Group is open to all members of the Fabian Society. Its

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career has been very chequered and its nominal membership has fallen to about 20. An attempt was made recently to revive interest in its work, but the response has been extremely disappointing. Its activities have been confined to the holding of lectures and discussions on subjects appertaining to Local Government. ~~led by the Executive Committee.~~ ~~W. \_\_\_\_\_~~ ~~Member of the Executive Committee~~

it has also arranged courses of lectures to branches of the I. L. P. in London. The Biology Group. The membership is now about 100. I have been

This was a small group which studied social questions under the leadership of Dr. Lionel Tayler from the point of view of the biologist. He has been compelled to resign his office as secretary of the Group <sup>and</sup> as it has not been found possible to obtain the services of anyone else. The Group is therefore in a state of suspense.

The Arts Group.

This Group is quite dead. Efforts were made to revive it last year, but there was no response worth mentioning.

The Nursery.

The Nursery in its rules is said to be a Society which is to "meet to discuss problems connected with Socialism and its propagation". "All members and associates of the Fabian Society who are under 28 years of age shall be eligible for membership; but this limiting age may be extended at the discretion of the Committee." "Members shall be elected by the Committee: two black balls to exclude."

The Nursery has carried on a number of courses of lectures and discussions at the Fabian Office for its members and at Prince Henry's Room, Fleet Street, and Cliffords Inn Hall open to the public. The cost of these public lectures has been defrayed by the Executive Committee. With the consent of the Executive Committee it has also arranged courses of lectures to branches of the I. L. P. in London. The membership is now about 100. I have been informed that the rule giving the Committee of the Nursery power to extend the limiting age has been used freely and that persons considerably over 30 have been elected members while others have been rejected. It seems anomalous that a body having a voice in the management of the Society should have the right to decide arbitrarily as to its membership and it is not in order for such a body to elect associates of the Society as members.

Wm. Stephen Sanders.

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Minutes of Meeting Thursday March 28<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Present. Miss Askinson (in chair) Dr. Penham, Miss Murby, Miss Bentinck, W. Sanders.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed (On the minutes Miss Askinson stated she had not been summoned to the meeting of the U. F. S. Conference)

(2) Memberships. Mr. Hardy wrote withdrawing resignation + A. Cox wrote stating professional reasons prevented him from retaining connection with the Society.

(3) Proposed Conference of Fabian Societies for the purpose of forming an University Fabian Socialist Federation.

Clifford Allen attended by invitation to discuss further the question of a grant of money being given by the E.C. towards the cost of the proposed Conference. It was finally decided to recommend to the E.C. as

that £10 might be granted towards the cost of the Conference providing

- (a) That the Conference is called for the purpose of forming a Federation of Fabian Societies.
- (b) That the title of the Federation (if formed) should include a statement that it is composed of Fabian Societies.
- (c) That the question of admitting other Societies to the Federation be a matter for further consideration if any other Societies apply for admission
- (d) That the Federation should have for its main purpose the organising of Socialists at Universities into Fabian Societies.

and further that if the Federation is formed on these lines the C.C. might consider favourably any suggestions which may from time to time be made for rendering assistance in the work of such a Federation.

The meeting then adjourned.

H Snell

2 May 1912

First Meeting of New Committee

Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 1912.

Members.

Miss Atkinson. (Chairman)

W. Snell. (Vice Chairman)

Miss Murby.

Clifford Allen.

C. M. Lloyd

Mr. Bentinck

Mr. Webb.

Secretaries.

Meeting, May 2. 1912 Thursday. Office.

Present. H. Snell (in chair) Miss Arkinson, Mrs Murby, Allen, C. H. Lloyd, H. Bentinck, Sanders, & Pease.

- (1) H. Snell was elected temporary Chairman.
- (2) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (3) <sup>Chairman.</sup> ~~Secretary~~ Miss Arkinson was elected chairman of the Committee.
- (4) Vice Chairman H. Snell was elected vice-Chairman of the Committee.
- (5) Membership.
  - (a) April candidates, 46, and May candidates, 18, were elected.
  - (b) Resignations given in following lists were considered:-

Name.	address.	electd.	last sub.	Reason.
Rev. A. C. Rose	Thame.	1900	15/-16/9/11.	Parson unfit- ted for politi- cal Societies &c.
			(46/3)	
Rev. H. Kettlewell	Aldershot	1911	10/-18/3/11	Poverty and inadvisable
C. A. Mitchell	Amersham	1904	10/-16/7/10	Disapprove cer- tain develop- ments not speci- fied
Mrs. C. A. Mitchell	Do.	1906	10/-16/7/10	
Wm. Lambie	Burgharton	1909	2/6 12/4/11	Going abroad
Miss Brennan	New York	1910	16/-20/12/10	Women's Suffrage
Miss M. Phelps	Golders Green	1900	21/- 6/3/11	Society does not support Tom Mann.
J. Fraser	Crouch Ind	1900	5/-17/4/12	Not in sympathy
A. P. Somerville	Glasgow	1912	2/6 11/4/08	None
H. Beaumont	Manchester	1909	-	None
Miss A. Smith	Shapley	1908	10/-10/17/11	Cannot afford

It was agreed that the resignations of Lambie, Brennan, & Martin, ~~Brynes~~, be accepted. The others to be written to.

(c) Various. Mrs Jennie Mola, dies April 1912.

H.G. Baynes, C. Helcher, and Furness were struck off owing to no addresses being discoverable.

(b) Montreal Fabian Society. Letter was read announcing formation of Society and asking terms of affiliation. Agreed that the Org. Sec. fix terms with them to cover cost of literature, postage etc.

(7) New Society. Letter was read from Darwin F.S. announcing formation of F.S. at Blackburn.

(8) Fabian Nursery. Letter was read from the Fabian Nursery stating that their rules were being revised and would be submitted to the C.C. when ready.

(9) Christchurch F.S. Letter was read from Christchurch F.S. on the administration of the Compulsory military service Act in that Colony. It was agreed that the officers endeavour to secure publication in the Labour Leader and elsewhere.

10. Socialist Club and Settlement.<sup>(a)</sup> Letter was read from Litchfield Wood asking that the Society form a Club for young Socialists in the East End. Decided that he be informed that the Society was unable to carry out the proposal.

(b) Letter was read from Mr. Salter suggesting that the Society form a Socialist Settlement in Hemmasey. Agreed that the officers consult Mr. Salter as to details of the proposal.

- (11) University Socialist Federation. (a) It was agreed that the E.C. be recommended to pay the proposed grant of £10 towards the cost of the Conference at which the Federation was formed.
- (b) That Miss Atkinson be recommended to the E.C. as the Society's delegate to the Federation Executive.
- (c) That any further grant of money to the Federation must be applied for on the basis of a definite scheme of work.
- (12) Northern Fabian Conference It was agreed that the Org. Sec. be the Society's delegate to the Northern F.S. Conference
- (13) Birmingham Socialist Centre. Application was received from the Centre for the Org. Sec. to give six lectures of a special kind on Socialism in the autumn, the Centre to pay all exp. agreed that the request be complied with.
- (14) Free Speech Defence Committee. The Org. Sec. reported that he had agreed to become Hon. Sec. of the Free Speech Defence Com. and gave an account of the

work he had done. It was agreed that his  
action be approved.

(15) Day of Meeting. It was decided to continue to meet  
on Thursdays.

H. Neal  
16/ May 1912



Meeting, May 16<sup>th</sup> 1912 Office.

Present. H. Snell (in chair), Mr. Webb, Allen, Lloyd, Miss  
 Murby, Miss Atkinson, Sanders & Pease.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Apology was received from Mr. Cavendish Bentinck for  
 non-attendance.
- (3) Proposed Bermondsey Socialist St. Org. Sec. reported that  
 Dr. Walter had promised to talk over the proposal  
 with the officers.
- (4) Letter to New Members. Revised version was agreed to  
 and it was decided to print 1000 copies only.
- (5) Lecture plans for 1912-13. (a) It was agreed that the  
 E.C. be recommended to vote a sum of £250 for  
 professional lecturing during 1912-13 season, and that  
 out of this sum one half the travelling expenses of  
 nonprofessional lecturers when returning to distant  
 provincial ~~branches~~ Fabian Societies be paid.

(6) It was decided that a meeting of the professional lecturers be held to consider subjects to be taken ~~next~~ during the next session.

(6) Speakers Class. It was decided that a class be formed on the same lines as the one held this year, to be held in the autumn; and that a second class for advanced students also be arranged on the lines of the present Speakers Circle.

(7) New Societies. The Org. Secs. reported that steps were being taken to form Societies or Groups at Pury, St. Edmunds and Ipswich.

(8) Correspondence with Chicago Perth W. Australia. Letters were read containing requests for advice with regard to forming Fabian Societies.

(9) University Socialist Federation. Letter was read from Alban Gordon protesting against constitution of the B.C. of the Federation and asking the E.C. of the Fabian Society to take action. Decided to be informed that we have no power and advising

him to write direct to the Sec. of the Federation.

1) Annual Fabian Conference

- (a) List of Resolutions sent in by Groups and Societies together with those of the C.F. were ordered to be printed in the Fabian News for June subject to the approval of the C.F.
- (b) Mrs Mabb proposed that a resolution calling for host action on the Poor Law Com. Reports be placed before the Conference. This was agreed to.

11) Correspondence on policy Letters were read from the Glasgow F.S. and the Letchworth F.S., the first stating resolutions had been carried unanimously against any party pledge being enforced upon members, and the second stating resolutions had been carried against Fabians <sup>publicly</sup> supporting any but Labour or Socialist party candidates.

12) Shaw-Bellloc Debate. The Org. Sec. stated he had learned that Shaw was willing to debate with Bellloc under the Societies auspices and he was in correspondence with Shaw on the matter. The Org. Sec. was instructed

to endeavour to fix up the debate.

Candidates name in "News" A candidate for membership  
requested that his name should not be printed in  
"News"; decided request could not be granted.

H. Snell

30/5/12.

Meeting May 30<sup>th</sup> 1912 Office.

Present. Snell, Allen Sanders.

Apology ~~was~~ was received from Miss Murby.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Annual Conference. (a) Chairman. It was decided to nominate Miss Atkinson for the chair to the Ex. Com.

(b) Social gathering after Conference. It was decided to hold this over until next meeting it being understood the Org. Sec. would report as to places at which the Social Gathering could be held.

(3) Conference with Secretaries of Local Groups Societies.

The conference was fixed for June 20<sup>th</sup>. The Agenda was left over until the next meeting.

(4) University Fabian Societies. Letter from Alfred M. F. J. was

received with reference to a resolution sent by them to the Conference. No action was taken.

(5) Autumn Campaign with the I.L.P. It was agreed to recommend to the Ex. Com. to ask the Joint Standing Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society to organize an autumn campaign in furtherance of the National Minimum. It was understood that the N.A.C. of the I.L.P. were strongly in favour of the proposal.

(6) Wages of Government Employees. Letter was read from J.J. Todd of Manchester asking that the Society request Mr. Barnes M.P. to question the appropriate ministers as to the number of adults in the employ of their departments who were paid less than £1 per week. The Org. Sec. was instructed to write Mr. Barnes M.P. on the subject.

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Meeting. Fabian Office, June 13. 1912. 5.30pm.

Present Mr. Webb (in chair) Allen, Mrs. Hurby, Lloyd,  
Mr. Pentinck & Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Government Wages. Letters were read from G. P. Barnes M.P. stating he had taken action on Govt wages and from Manchester P.S. stating they had followed this up by writing to the Manchester Guardian on the subject.
- (3) Standing Joint Com. with the S.L.P.  
Various matters in connection with the proposed National Campaign were discussed and ~~the~~ referred to the Joint Committee for consideration.  
(see Report of the S. J. Com. appended)
- (4) Conference with secretaries of local Societies and Groups  
It was agreed that the main business of the Conference should be a discussion of the

proposed National Campaign and the two  
items on the Annual Conference Agenda arising  
from the Breckham Group and the Forest Gate Society

(5) The Annual Conference

The Agenda for the Conference was considered  
and it was agreed that on

No. 14) the org. sec should draft an amendment to be  
submitted to the E.C.

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No. 14 } Mr. Mrs. Webb should draft

No. 15 } amendments to submit to the E.C.

A. Snell  
27/6/12



Private. Standing Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.

Meeting Monday June 17th '12.

Present. W. G. Anderson (in chair), Dubory, Johnson and Holmes (for I.L.P.) Schlosser, Sharp, Mrs. Webb, Pease and Sanders (for Fabian Society).

1. Chairman.

W. G. Anderson was re-elected Chairman for 1912-13.

2. Secretaries.

W. Stephen Sanders and F. Johnson were re-elected joint secretaries.

3. National Minimum Campaign.

The scheme for a National Minimum Campaign was brought before the Committee and the scheme generally was unanimously approved. The title of the Campaign was left for further consideration. It was decided that the constituent societies should be asked to approve the following proposals.-

- (a) That a big meeting be held at the Newport Trade Union Congress;
- (b) That a Conference on the subject be held in London early in October to be followed by a demonstration in Albert Hall and meetings in other parts of London;
- (c) That a series of Conferences and meetings be arranged throughout the provinces;
- (d) That a press campaign be organized and special literature issued.
- (e) That the Committee's title in respect of the Campaign be "The Standing Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society".

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Meeting Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup> 1912, Fabian Office.

Present. H. Snell (in chair) Mr. Webb, Miss Murby, C. M. Lloyd  
Standers.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

1) Shaw Belloe Debate. Org. Sec. reported that he had received a letter from Belloe agreeing to debate with Shaw in the autumn; date to be fixed later.

2) Standing Joint Committee with the I.L.P. The following report was received and approved:-

The Standing Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society at its meeting on June 29<sup>th</sup> discussed the details of the proposed National Campaign for a National Minimum which it was reported had been approved by both constituent bodies. Mrs. Webb stated that the National Committee would be prepared to accept the financial responsibility for the Albert Hall and Newport meetings and for the proposed provincial conferences to the extent of, say, £5 per conference. With regard to the Albert Hall meeting it was decided to hold it early in October and to ask J. R. MacDonald, M.P. to take the Chair, and Mrs. Webb, Miss MacArthur, Bernard Shaw, Keir Hardie, M.P. Philip Snowden, M.P. G. Lansbury, M.P. and W. O. Anderson to speak. (All have consented excepting Snowden who has not yet replied). For the meeting at Newport it was decided to ask Anderson to take the chair and to invite J. R. MacDonald, M.P. G. Lansbury, M.P. Mrs. Webb, Keir Hardie, M.P. A. Henderson, M.P. and Philip Snowden M.P. to be speakers. (Anderson,

(6)

Lansbury, Mrs. Webb, Henderson, have consented). The details of the proposed Conferences, including one on National lines, were referred to a Sub-Committee. It was decided that to the Conferences should be invited Trade Unions, I.L.P. branches, Fabian Societies, Co-operative Societies, Adult Schools, P.S.A. Brotherhoods, and Branches of the National Committee for the Prevention of Destitution. The Sub-Committee was also instructed to bring up suitable name or names for the proposed Campaign.

(4) Annual Conference. It was decided that the Social Gathering after the Conference should be held at Clifford's Inn Hall.

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(5) Speakers Class. The arrangements for the Speaker's Class for next session, <sup>were considered</sup> and it was decided to recommend the E.C. that there be two classes, one for beginners and the other for advanced students. The class for beginners to be on the same lines as the one held this year, namely,

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(9)

6 lessons in Voice Production

Teacher, Mrs. Manson.

5 lessons in Practical Propaganda

(with practice) by the Organizing Secretary.

The advanced class to be for practice and criticism and to be conducted by the Organizing Secretary. It ~~is~~ <sup>was</sup> proposed that the Classes should begin as this year with a meeting at Clifford's Inn Hall to be addressed by a prominent member of the Society on some aspect of the work of a Propagandist. A registration fee of one shilling to be charged the members of the classes which should be under the control of the Organizing & Propaganda Committee.

(6) Conference with local Group and Society Secretaries.

The Org. Sec. reported that there had been a small attendance at the conference which had discussed proposals laid before it by Webb, including the Committee of Enquiry, taking part in local elections and the campaign for a National Minimum.

(7) Committee of Enquiry. It was decided to recommend the E.C. that the Committee of Enquiry be placed in charge of this Committee.

(8) Next Meeting. It was decided that the Committee should meet again on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

(9) New Member. It was decided to recommend that H. H. Schloesser be appointed to this Committee.

H. H. Schloesser  
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Meeting Thursday July 11<sup>th</sup> 1912 Fabian Office.

Present. Snell (in chair) Mr. Webb, Miss Atkinson, Mr. Bentinck, Schloesser, Lloyd, Sanders & Pease.

1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Standing Committee of the S.L.P. and Fabian Society  
 The following Report of the meeting of the above Committee held the same day was received, adopted and recommended for the approval of the C.F.

A. The National Campaign

(i.) It was decided that the title of the Campaign be

War against Poverty:  
 to demand  
 Legislation next Session  
 for a Minimum  
 of  
 Civilised Life

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 The Legal Minimum Wage  
 The Reduction of Hours of Labour  
 Complete Provision against Sickness  
 A National Minimum of Child Nurture  
 The Prevention of Unemployment  
 Healthy Homes for All  
 The Abolition of the Poor Law.

(ii.) National Conference.

It was decided

- (a) That the Conference be held at the Memorial Hall on October 11th.
- (b) That four papers be read, subjects: Wages; Hours of Labour; Housing; Children.
- (c) That the following be asked to read papers on the subjects: J. J. Mallon; J. R. Clynes, M. P.; R. G. K. Ensor, L. C. O.; Miss Susan Lawrence or Dr. Marion Phillips.

- (d) That Sidney Webb be asked to take the Chair in the morning and Miss Bondfield in the afternoon.
- (e) That the following among others be invited to attend the Conference and take part in the discussions: Mrs. Sidney Webb; Miss Mary MacArthur; Mrs. Pember Reeves; J. R. Macdonald, M.P.; G. Barnes, M.P.; J. O'Grady, M.P.; F. Goldstone, M.P.; Will Crooks, M.P.; G. Lansbury, M.P.; A. Henderson, M.P.; &c., &c.,
- (f) That the fee for delegates to the Conference be 2/6d.

(iii). Provincial Conferences.

It was decided to communicate with a large number of well-known persons with the view of getting them to take part in the Provincial Conferences as speakers, and, if possible, in cases of prominent individuals, to address large meetings in connection with the Conferences. A preliminary circular was ordered to be sent to I.L.P. branches and Fabian Societies announcing the campaign and asking for local support in working up the Conferences.

(iv). Albert Hall Meeting.

Final arrangements were made with regard to the meeting including the fixing of the prices of tickets.

(v). Newport Meeting.

Date of the meeting was fixed for Tuesday Sept. 3rd and final arrangements made.

D. Finances.

It was decided that when sufficient money is in hand an account be opened at the London & County Bank in the name of the Standing Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.

(3) Committees of Enquiry. It was decided that preliminary meetings of these Committees should be held during



the present month to draw up methods of procedure and settle scope of work and appoint Secretaries etc

- 4) Circular to Members. It was decided to issue a circular to members calling attention to the various activities to be undertaken by the Society during next autumn and winter with special reference to
- (a) The National Campaign, War Against Poverty.
  - (b) The Committees of Enquiry.
  - (c) Local Government Elections: Town, County, Borough, District & Parish Councils and Boards of Guardians.
  - (d) Distribution of Literature.

The circular to include an appeal for increased subscriptions. Proofs of circular to be sent to the members of the E.C. for approval.

5) Local Societies and Groups.

It was decided to recommend the E.C. that, with a view to helping and stimulating discussion at the meetings of Geographical Groups and Local Societies, the practice be tried of formally submitting to them definite subjects on which we want their advice or opinion; that all the Local Secretaries be asked to convene early meetings at which the paper should be read (in whole or in part), and discussed, with a request that criticisms or suggestions be forwarded to us; and that an experimental beginning be made with a paper on Syndicalism, by Mrs. Webb and Mr. Webb, to be published as a Supplement to the August Crusade; and that the necessary number of copies of such supplement be obtained for that purpose, at "striking off" price, to be sent to Local Secretaries in September with formal requests for the help of their Group or Society in the manner indicated.

(6) Professional Lecturing: It was agreed that the subjects to be dealt with during the coming season by the professional lecturers should be:-

Socialism of Today.

War against Poverty.

(7) Office Boys Salary: As a matter of urgency a letter from S. Bowsher's father asking that S. Bowsher's salary might be raised was dealt with ~~as a matter of~~ urgency and it was decided to recommend that the request be complied with to the extent of 1/- per week.

Mabel Atkinson.

Sept. 26. 1912.

Meeting, Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 1912. Fabian Office.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) H. Snell, Clifford Allen, Mr. Benbow, W. Sanders, C. M. Lloyd, Mr. Sanders & C. P. Pease.

1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Apology was received from Mr. Bentinck for non-attendance.

3) Membership. (a) August candidates (5) September candidates (3) were elected. October candidates (10) were elected, subject to no objection following publication of names in "News".

(b) The following notices of resignation were received. Decided that those marked o be written to.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss A.C. Admers	Earls Court	1911	5/- 11.9.11.	Going abroad
Miss J.O. Dowson	Claygate	1910	2/6 5.10.11	Changed views
Miss C. Black o	Belfast	1908	2/2/- 15.9.11	None given
Miss H. Harrison *	Muswell Hill	1908	10/- 8.1.12	do. do.
Miss Morgan	Hampstead	1907	7/6 9.11.10	Poverty
Miss J. Morgan	do.	1907	2/6 5.7.08	do.
Miss E. Beer	Dulwich	1907	7/6 7.9.12	None given
Miss H. Tavenor	Marylebone	1908	7/6 20.12.11	Cannot attend
Miss M. Trevena				
Miss S. Griffiths o	Bermuda	1896	30/- 10.4.12	Against Women's Suffrage
Miss Thoresby	Redhill	1906	21/- 7.11.11	None given
Miss W. Moore	Walsall	1900	- - -	Unable to be of service
Miss Wiltshire	Southwark	1907	5/-	do.
Miss Wiltshire o	Southwark	1907	5/- 15.1.12	do.
Miss Lowrison o	Heacham	1890	30/- 11.9.11	Daily Herald

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Miss E. K. Stone	Stroud	1908	10/-	21.3.10	Poverty
Mrs. La Chard	Bayswater	1906	7/6	15.9.9	None given
Miss E. Marchant	Golders Green	1905	10/-	18.12.11	do. do.
T. Pole	Letchworth	1908	5/-	2.7.12	Joined Letchworth F.S.
Mrs. S. Ball	Acton	1908	10/-	27.4.11	None given
R. O. Davison	Kensington	1908	20/-	14.6.12	Becomes Asste
Mrs. A. C. Stanton	Barnes	1908	5/-	11.1.12	Poverty
G. Cronin	St. Pancras	1910	10/-	17.7.11	None given
F. Popplewell	W Norwood	1907	20/-	6.6.12	do. do.
Miss M. Gawthorpe	Ducks	1907	5/-	18.7.11	do. do.
L. G. Mote	Forest Hill	1911	10/-	15.4.11	do. do.
A. McBride	Glasgow	1905	2/3	19.3.7	do. do.
Miss E. F. Dawson	Chelsea	1906	10/-	21.12.10	"All sorts"
A. H. Moffatt	Bridge of Weir	1906	-	-	None given
Miss Mocatta	Kensington	1909	10/-	10.4.11	None given
W. H. Woollen	Woolwich	1906	6/-	21.5.12	do. do.
Mrs. E. Evans	Boston				
	U. S. A.	1909	20/-	12.7.10	Too many calls
W. Swift	Salisbury	1908	7/6	21.10.10	None given
W. Henderson	Streatham	1906	10/-	7.2.10	do. do.
W. Anderson	Stonehouse				
	I. B.	1908	-	- - -	Change views.

(4) Joint Committee of the I. L. P. and Fabian Socy.

The following reports were received and adopted.

Report of Meeting held at Fabian Office on Thursday July 25th, 1912.  
Present: E.R. Pease (in chair), Mrs. Webb, H. Dubery, O.M. Lloyd, F. Johnson, Sanders, Sharp, and Schlosser.

(1) War Against Poverty Campaign

- (a) Albert Hall Meeting Oct. 11th. Report was submitted with regard to arrangements for advertising the meeting which was adopted.
- (b) Meeting at Newport. Final arrangements were made for the meeting and resolution agreed upon.
- (c) National Conference. Circular of invitation was drawn up and a series of resolutions on the subject of the Conference.
- (d) Provincial Conferences. Reports were received of the arrangements made for Conferences at various provincial centres.

Report of meeting held at the Fabian Office  
Thursday September 12th. 1912.

Present: W.O. Anderson (in chair), Mrs. Webb, C.M. Lloyd,  
F. Johnson, Sanders and Pease.

(I) Finance. The receipt of a Donation of £50 towards the General Funds of the Committee through Mrs. Webb was reported; also that a Banking a/c had been opened at the London & County Bank.

(II) War against Poverty Campaign.

(a) National Conference. Report was received that 8,000 invitations had been issued and that acceptances were coming in. It was decided to send out 1,000 ~~in~~ repeat invitations to national organisations (To date, Sept. 25th., 180 delegates representing 102 Societies have been appointed.)

(b) Albert Hall Meeting. Report was received as to advertising and tickets sold to date. Instructions were given with regard to further advertising and other matters including the issue of free admission tickets. (To date, Sept. 25th., the F.S. have sold £50 (cash) the I.L.P. £25 (cash) and about £40 in orders practically certain to be paid for: total £115.)

(c) Provincial Conferences. Report was received that arrangements for the Provincial Conferences were proceeding satisfactorily.

(d) Literature. Tracts and leaflets dealing specially with the objects of the campaign were considered and approved.

(e) Newport Meeting. Report was received that the meeting had been well organised by the local I.L.P. and that it had been very successful.

(f) Press Campaign. Arrangements for the Press Campaign were approved.

(g) Municipal Elections. It was agreed that the I.L.P. should call the attention of its branches by circular to the possibility of using the Municipal Election work for pushing the objects of the Campaign.

III) The International Socialist Bureau and British Socialist Unity. As a matter of urgency a report was received that a letter had been received by the F.S. and I.L.P. from the Int. Soc. Bureau asking whether the two bodies would

agree to a joint Conference with the B.S.P. for the purpose of unification. It was decided to recommend that a joint reply be sent to be drawn up by the Joint Committee agreeing to a private Conference of the Executive Committees of the F.S., I.L.P. and the B.S.P. with representatives

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On the Report of September 12<sup>th</sup> (iii) (46/44)  
that Pease draw up a letter in collaboration with  
the chairman of the I.L.P. and submit it to the  
next Executive.

(5) Provincial Suburban Lectures.

The Org. Sec. presented the following report:

- (a) The following engagements have been booked:
- Southampton F.S. "War against Poverty"
  - Kingston I.L.P. "Socialism of To-day"
  - Cambridge F.S. "War against Poverty" Gordon
  - Loughborough F.S. "War against Poverty"
  - 2 lectures only, Gordon and Beaumont.
  - Worthing I.L.P. "War against Poverty" H. Snell
  - Kensal Rise I.L.P. "War against Poverty"
  - Uxbridge I.L.P.
  - Marylebone I.L.P.

- (b) Difficulty about Lecturers: Miss Murby cannot  
lecture; Beaumont cannot lecture before ~~December~~  
~~November~~; Dr. Marion Phillips can only give single  
dates; Gordon removed to Northallerton, can  
only lecture occasionally in North and Mid-  
lands; Snell very busy until December;  
Herbert (substitute) can take practically  
nothing until after Xmas.

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(c) Letter from J. Gibson applying for professional  
lecturing.

It was agreed that J. Gibson be given a trial and  
that reports be obtained of his capacity. The Org. Sec:  
was instructed to take lectures already booked which  
the <sup>lecture</sup> staff were unable to give.

(6) Social Committee A letter was received from the Fabian  
Nursery Social Committee suggesting a representative  
from the Committee be co-opted on to the Social Com:  
Agreed that the suggestion be recommended for the  
approval of the S.C.

(7) Place of Annual Conference. Letter from the Coventry F.S.  
received asking for next Conference to be held in a  
provincial town. Held over.

Mabel Atkinson

Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Meeting, Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 1912. Fabian Office.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Schloesser, Mrs Bentinck  
and W. Sanders.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Speakers Class. Secretary reported that number of applicants  
was very small. Decided that letter be sent to  
Daily Herald and Daily Citizen.

) Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.

The following Report was received and adopted:-

Report of meeting held at the Fabian Office,  
Monday Oct. 7th 1912.

Present: Pease (in Chair), Mrs. Webb, Dubery, Schloesser,  
Sanders, Johnson & Lloyd.

(a) War Against Poverty Campaign.

(i) Conference at Memorial Hall Oct. 11th.

Report has been received that about 300  
delegates had been appointed. Arrangements  
for movers of resolutions were agreed  
upon.

(ii) Albert Hall Meeting. Report was received  
as to sale of tickets. (To date, Oct. 9  
sales amount to:- F.S. £125; I.L.P. (in-  
cluding orders) £85; various £3:  
total £213).

Order of speakers and other arrangements  
were settled.



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- (iii) Provincial Conferences. Report was received that 18 Provincial Conferences were now definitely being organized.
- (iv) Literature. Further Tracts and Leaflets were agreed upon including special Leaflets for election purposes; also numbers to be ordered.
- (b) Reply to letter from International Socialist Bureau.  
Reply drafted by Pease and agreed to by Anderson was submitted (with the alterations proposed by the F.S.) and it was generally agreed to.

(4) Suburban Provincial Lecture Scheme.

- (a) Applications for lectures from Erish and Walthamstow. Agreed subject to proper arrangements being made.
- (b) Application received from J. West to be placed on Lecturer Panel. Declined.

(5) Proposal to hold Fabian Conference at Barrow Tower next Year. This was discussed and adjourned for further consideration.

Robert Atkinson.

Meeting, Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup> 1912. Fabian Office.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Sanders, Mr. Webb, Mr. Portlock,  
C. M. Lloyd Schlosser.

1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Membership (a) November candidates (32) were elected.

(b) suggestion for a cheap family membership by Mr. Mall Smith was considered and not adopted.

(c) Resignations

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
W. Kratzel	Brighton.	1909	5/- 19.3.12.	None.
3. Turner	Clapham.	1908	10/- 23.11.11.	"

were referred to Mr. Webb who would write them.

(d) Struck off for nonpayment of subs:

Mr. Elliott, China, 1905. 16/4. 28.6.9.

3) Provincial Suburban Lecture Courses

(a) Reports were received of good meetings for the courses at Southampton, Woking and fair meetings at Kingston.

(b) On report from Southampton it was decided not to include J. Gibson on panel of professional lecturers.

- (4) Number of lectures given by Members. It was decided that a record of lectures arranged through the office should be reported for the period of the next three months.
- (5) Shaw-Bellloc Debate. Org. Sec. reported that he had reopened negotiations with regard to the debate. It was agreed that it be held in January, if possible, at the Queens Hall, or Central Hall, Westminster; or Kingway Hall. Prices of seats to be 10/- 7/- 7/6-/-
- (6) Women's Group. Application was received for a grant to cover cost of Cliffords Inn Hall for a Conference on the Legal Minimum Wage to be arranged by the Women's Group. Agreed that C.C. be recommended to comply.
- (7) Education Group. The Group applied for the usual grant to cover rent of Cliffords Inn Hall, (or other hall not more expensive) for three or four meetings on educational meetings on educational subjects to be held between Oct 1912 and April 1913. Agreed that the C.C. be recommended to make the grant.

(8) Speakers Class. Org. Sec. reported that he had arranged for the class to commence on Monday Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>. The question of having a Special lecture by a prominent Fabian, to the class was held over.

(9) Goldsmiths College. Org. Sec. reported that he was in communication with a student of the College for the purpose of forming a Fabian Sq. or Group at the College.

(10) Conference at Barrow House. It was decided that the proposal to hold the Annual Fabian Conference at Barrow House be dropped and that endeavours should be made to hold conferences on the lines of the accompanying memorandum submitted by Mr. Kibb. It was agreed to send the memorandum to the Summer School Com. and ask them to report concurrently to the C.C. on the proposals.

(11) Fabian Banner. Miss Atkinson will endeavour to form a working party to complete banner.

Mabel Atkinson

Nov. 14. 1912.

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Meeting November 14<sup>th</sup> 1912. Fabian Office.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Mr<sup>s</sup> Webb, Lloyd, Pease Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Apologies were received from Mr<sup>s</sup> Pentinck and Blifford Allen.
- (3) Suburban Lectures. It was agreed that an application for two lectures at Sidcup by local F.L.P. be granted.
- (4) Blackburn F.L.. Receipt was reported of an interesting letter, together with a manifesto on School Clinics, from the Blackburn F.L. It was decided that the Manifesto be sent to all Fabian Societies with a request that they issue a similar document adapted to local circumstances.
- (5) Shaw-Belloc Debate. Organizing secretary reported date had been fixed ~~for~~ January 25<sup>th</sup> 1913 place Queen's Hall. Preliminary circular had been issued. It was agreed that debate should commence at 8pm; that E.L. have seats on platform free. That the

of possible chairmen  
following names, be submitted to Shaw & Bellows:  
Granville Barker, J. Galsworthy, Lt Robert Cecil,  
Quiller Couch.

(6) Speakers Class. The Org. Sec reported the class would open on Monday with about 25 pupils. It was agreed that Miss Atkinson should give a lecture to the class on the Psychology of Propaganda.

(7) International Socialist Conference on War and Peace in the Balkans.

Agreed to ask Mr. Benlinck to attend Nov 24 to 26<sup>th</sup> at Basle.

(8) International Socialist Peace Demonstration in London

British National Section International Socialist Bureau.

As a matter of urgency the Organizing Secretary reported that the Section had decided, at the request of the Int. Soc. Bureau, to organize a demonstration in London, on Sunday Nov. 17th, against the threatened interference of the Great Powers in the Balkans, and against War. Similar Demonstrations were being arranged on the same day in other European Capitals. A Guarantee Fund was to be raised to meet the cost, and the Section proposed that if there was a deficit each society affiliated to it or taking part in the meeting should be asked to pay its proportion. We recommend that the proposal be agreed to, (The Demonstration was held in the London Opera House).

Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.

The following Report was received and approved.-

Meeting Monday November 11th 1912.

Present: W.C. Anderson (in chair), Mrs. Webb, Pease, Sanders, Lloyd, Sharp, Holmes, Dubery.

(a) War Against Poverty Campaign.

(i) Albert Hall Meeting: Final Report of Receipts and Expenditure was presented showing:- Receipts. Sale of Tickets £238.13.3. Collection £91.11.0. Total £330.4.3. Expenditure. £232.15.11. Balance (surplus) £97.8.4.

(ii) Report on Conferences. Favourable accounts were received of the Conferences held in London, Colchester and Darlington, and progress was reported with regard to arrangements for Conferences in other centres.

(iii) Joint Conference of Fabians and I.L.P. members at Barrow House in July 1913. Proposal was agreed to, further details to be considered.

(iv) International Socialist Bureau and Socialist Unity. Letter of reply was considered and referred to Mrs. Webb to be redrafted and submitted to the National Administrative Council of the I.L.P. and the Executive Committee of the Fabian Society.

(v) Distribution of Fabian Tracts. The I.L.P. members of the Joint Committee agreed that a circular advertising Fabian Tracts should be included with the monthly communications sent from the I.L.P. head office to all branches. (The Publishing Committee will have this offer before it at its next meeting).

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(10) Conference at Barrow House July 1913.

It was agreed to hold a joint meeting with the Summer School Committee to discuss details on Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>.

(11) Work for Provincial Societies.

Letter from Webb was read suggesting that Provincial Societies should be advised each year to take up a definite subject for study.

It was agreed that it would be more advisable to suggest they take up some form of practical work as for instance School Clinics. Agreed to ask Webb to suggest work of this nature.

(12) Correspondence (a) Letter was received on the subject of forming Fabian Youth at Bourne-mouth. Org. Sec. reported action taken which was approved.

(b) Letter was received from a Hindoo suggesting War against Poverty be extended to the whole Empire. Decided he be informed that our organization is not yet big enough.

Dear Webb

Meeting November 28<sup>th</sup> 1912.

Labian Office.

Present. Miss Atkinson (in chair) Mr. Webb, Schloesser Lloyd  
+ Sanders.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Apologos. From Mr. Barendish Bentinck received.

(3) Joint meeting with the Summer School Committee.

Lawson Dodd and ODonohue attended from the Summer School Committee. It was agreed that the Joint Com. of the L.P. F.S. be responsible for conducting the School during the week ending August 2<sup>nd</sup> and the Research Committee for the week ending July 26<sup>th</sup>. The charges to be made to the two Committees by the Summer School Com. to be \$1. per head per visitor less than the charge to ~~ordinary~~ <sup>visitors</sup> during the usual session of the school. The Research Com. and the Joint Com. of the L.P. and F.S. to provide lecturers + meet expenses thereof.

It was further decided that the prospectus of these two weeks should be embodied in the usual Summer School prospectus and that the two Committees would select the applicants.

(4) Queens Hall Meeting. (a) The question of the chairman was again discussed on the proposal by the Org. Sec. that Sir A. Conan Doyle be invited to preside. It was finally decided that the following be submitted to Shaw & Bellie in the order given

John Galeworthy; S. A. Conan Doyle; Lord Robert Cecil; Sir A. J. Quiller Couch; Lord Courtney.

(b) Sale of tickets to date was reported as being about £90

(5) Joint Committee of the I.S.P. & F.B. Letter from Miss ~~Harro~~ Murby resigning her membership of this Committee was read. Mr. Wilson was nominated by Miss Murby ~~and~~ to fill the vacancy. Dr. Marion Phillips wrote expressing desire to serve on the Com: Decided to submit both names to the C.C.

(6) Provincial Societies.

(a) Dr. W. Cunningham, I.S. (a) Org. Sec's proposal that this S<sub>7</sub> should be invited to compile a "Facts for Birmingham Tract" together with a model municipal programme was adopted. (b) Letter from Webb was received suggesting that we indicate lines of work for ~~local~~ ~~Societies~~ the Society to adopt. (covered by (a))

(7) New Society Org: Sec: reported that steps were being taken to form a Society at Ipswich.

(8) Barrow House Conference July 1913. It was agreed that the University Societies be circularized at once on the Conference and the Provincial Societies early in January.

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Meeting. December 12<sup>th</sup> 1912.

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Present. H. Snell (in chair) Lloyd, Schlessner, Pease Sanders.

1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Membership (a) December candidates (47) were elected  
 (b) Resignations

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss C. Foxcroft	Clapham	1893	20/- 7.3.11.	None.
Miss Veigele	Bayswater	1909	2/6 10.2.11.	Poverty.
T. Norris	Ealing	1899	10/- 22.9.11.	Church Socialist League
G.E. Oates	Ilford	1910	5/- 13.1.12.	Professional.
Miss E. Strudwick	Bedford Park	1907	10/6 2.11.11.	Anti-Suffragist.
Miss Gaw Lloyd	U.S.A.	1908	5/- 3.3.12.	Too far away.
Miss B. Tchaykovsky	Harrow	1907	5/- 21.11.11.	Retrenchment.

It was decided that G.E. Oates be asked to become a subscriber; and that Mr Webb write to Miss Tchaykovsky and Miss Foxcroft.

3) Queens Hall Meeting (a) It was decided that a chairman should be appointed who had knowledge and

experience in the conduct of meetings and who would not be expected to speak at any length. It was further decided to recommend that Sir John Lockburn be asked to take the position.

(b) It was reported that tickets to the value of £175 had been sold.

(c) It was decided to issue a special leaflet giving an account of the Fabian Society for distribution at the meeting. The substance of the leaflet ~~will~~<sup>to</sup> be taken from the description of the Society printed in the Fifield series.

(d) The matter of insuring the meeting was left with the office.

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Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.  
Report of meetings held Dec. 3rd and 12th as under was received and adopted.

Dec. 3rd. Present: W.C. Anderson (in chair), Dubery, Lloyd, Pease, Schloesser, Mrs. Webb, Sharp, Johnson and Sanders.

Dec. 12th. Present: Pease (in chair), Johnson, Holmes, Lloyd, Sharp, Dubery, Mrs. Webb, Schloesser and Sanders.

(a) War Against Poverty Campaign.

(i) Favourable Reports were received of Conferences held at Glasgow, Woolwich, Birmingham, Chatham, Bristol, Norwich, Cardiff, Croydon, Leeds and Watford; less favourable: N. London, S. London and E. London.

(ii) Parliamentary Bills. It was decided to arrange a Conference with the Parliamentary Labour Party on the subject of embodying the points of the Campaign in Bills to be introduced by the Party.

(b) Conference of Elected Persons.

It was decided that steps be taken to organize a Conference of elected Socialist and Labour persons at Manchester on Good Friday and the following day in conjunction with I.L.P. annual conference, on the lines of previous gatherings.

(c) 1st Sunday in May Demonstration.

It was decided that a circular be issued to I.L.P. branches, Trade Unions and other Labour organizations in London requesting them to express their views on the question of reviving the 1st Sunday in May Demonstration in Hyde Park. If the replies are favourable further steps to be taken to organize a demonstration on May 4th 1913 to promote the objects of the War Against Poverty Campaign and the Nationalization of Railways, Mines and other national monopolies

H. Snell,  
Vice-Chairman.

<sup>5</sup>(4) "What Syndicalism Means". The following Report on what societies had done in connection with the Tract was received (see over)



Report on action of Local Fabian Societies with regard to  
Tract on Syndicalism.

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Leytonstone	Will discuss in January.
Cambridge	Have discussed it. Entirely in agreement, except on one point - the relation of Syndicalism to Local Government.
Loughborough	Discussed. Consider it fair and satisfactory.
Glasgow U.F.S.	Discuss after Christmas.
Ilford.	Discuss in March.
Nursery	Discussing shortly.
Golders Green	No action.
West Ham	Discussed and placing summary of discussion before Society.
Manchester U.	Not yet discussed.
Sheffield	Discussed. In general agreement.
Glasgow	Discuss in December or January.
York	Discuss later.
Birmingham U.	Discussed. Promise account of discussion.
Sevenoaks	Several members have read tract and send detailed opinions.
Newcastle- under-Lyme	Discussed. No remarks.

(b) Date of Fabian Conference.

It was decided to take no further action with regard to alteration of date of the Conference.

Mabel Atkinson  
Jan 16. 1913

Meeting January 16<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Fabian Office

Present. Miss Arkinson (in chair), H. H. Schweser, C. M. Lloyd,  
Miss Dentine & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership. January candidates (21) were elected.

(3) Shaw-Belloc Debate Jan 28<sup>th</sup>

(a) Chairman. Sir John Lockburn presented  
to act

(b) Sale of tickets to date £290.

(c) Order of debate arranged: Belloc to move the  
following motion:

"If we do not re-establish the institution of  
property we shall re-establish the  
institution of slavery: there is no third  
course."

Each debater to have 30, 20, and 10 minutes

(4) New Societies. It was reported that new Societies were being formed at Ipswich and Aberystwyth M. College, and that steps were being taken to form a Society at Portsmouth.

(5) Labour Party Conference Attention was called to the fact that the Scottish Fabian Societies are not represented on the Scottish Advisory Com: of the Labour Party and it was decided to recommend the C.C. to ~~be~~ ask our delegates to the Labour Party Conference to call attention and endeavour to get the omission rectified.

5. Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.  
The following report of a meeting of the Committee held January 16th 1913 was received and approved.

Present: Pease (in chair), Lloyd, Schloesser, Dubery, Johnson, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Wilson and Sanders.

(a) First Sunday in May Demonstration.  
It was reported that circulars had been sent to 1,200 organizations in and around London requesting them to express their views upon the proposal to revive the demonstration

(b) Deputation to Labour Party.  
Report of the Deputation to Labour Party (already communicated to the Executive Committee of the Fabian Society) was received. The Organizing Secretary reported that the proposal to form a Joint Committee of the Labour Party, the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress and the Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and F.S., to arrange propaganda and promote legislation, would be brought before the Labour Party Conference for approval. In the meantime the drafting of Bills embodying the points of the War against Poverty Campaign is proceeding. After the Labour Party Conference further steps will be taken to form the proposed Joint Committee.

(c) War against Poverty Campaign.  
(1) Conferences. Report was received that an excellent Conference had been held at Ipswich. Further Conferences are arranged to be held at Dundee, Edinburgh, Deptford, Derby, Nottingham, Blackburn and Sheffield.  
(2) Finance. It was reported that the 21 Conferences held in the Provinces had cost the Committee about £98. This was below the estimated amount of £5 per Conference.

(d) Conference of Elected Persons.  
Report was received that the arrangements for the Conference were proceeding. Sidney Webb, Councillor Shann and Dr. Salter had agreed to read papers and the local Labour City Councillors would arrange for visits to local municipal institutions.

(e) Conference at Barrow House.  
The programme of the Conference was discussed and held over for consideration by the N.A.C. of the I.L.P.

Mabel Atkinson  
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Meeting, Thursday February 13<sup>th</sup> 1913 Fabian Office

Present. Mrs Atkinson (in chair), Miss Bentinck and W Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

2) Membership

(a) February candidates (24) were elected

(b) The following resignations were submitted:

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Mrs. Oakeshott	Berkhampstead	1899	10/6 5/2/00	None
<del>F. S. Barber</del>	<del>Leyton</del>	<del>1900</del>	(now paid by J.F.O.)	
F. S. Barber	Leyton	1909	7/6 4/1/12	No time
J. F. Carr	Woodford Green	1907	5/- 4/1/12	Poverty
H. O. Thompson	Upper Clapton	1896	5/- 30/11/11	Syndicalist
Miss M.H. Rogers	Wandsworth Com.	1906.	20/- 13/1/12	Needs quiet
H. P. Ward	Windsor	1907	10/- 8/2/12	None.
H. Simcoe	Cardiff	1908	15/- 25/3/12	Generally disgruntled
G. L. Keynes	Westminster	1910	10/- 31/12/12	Opinions changed

It was decided that Barber, Thompson & Miss Rogers be written to; that Carr be kept on; that the other resignations be accepted.

3 Shaw-Belloc Debate.

The following Report was submitted & adopted.

(a) Financial Statement

<u>Receipts.</u>		<u>Expenditure.</u>	
Ticket Sales		Hall and	
(less re sales)	330.17. 9	Attendants	45. 1. 0
Amount outstanding	17. 0	Fee to	
		Hilaire Belloc	10.10. 0
		Printing hand-	
		bills, tickets &	
		Programmes	
		Organist, Advts.	
		&c.	13. 1. 10
		Balance	
		(profit)	263. 1. 11
	<u>£331.14. 9</u>		<u>£ 331.14. 9</u>

(b) Sale of Literature. This was disappointing amounting only to £5.15.3, about £4. of which was for copies of Servile State. The audience came in too late for effective pushing of literature.

(4) J. J. Dodd's motion on Socialist Propaganda.

A letter from J. J. Dodd calling attention to his motion re Socialist Prop<sup>a</sup> and advocating a big scheme of letters and advts in the press was read. He proposed that the letters and advts should contain offers of lectures on "Socialism". It was agreed that letters be sent to the Citizen and other papers offering to provide lecturers on the subject

suggested.

5) Lectures arranged through the office.

The following report was adopted and ordered to be submitted to the E.C.

From Nov. 1st. 1912 to Jan 31st. 1913 60 lectures on Socialism and allied topics (apart from professional lectures) have been arranged through the office to be given to various organisations. In addition to these several members of the E.C., including Harben, Webb and Davies, have sent in lists, in some cases very long, of lectures given by them but arranged direct. It is usual that when a lecturer becomes known Societies apply direct to them instead of to the office and hence a great deal of lecturing is done by members which is not recorded.

6) University Socialist Federation

The Chairman, as advisory member of the Com. of the Federation E.C. and representing the Fabian E.C., reported that the Federation was doing a good deal of work in getting in touch with socialists at Universities and with those who had gone down. Steps were being taken to arrange the annual Conference of the Federation, probably at Narrow House, at Easter.

7) New Societies. The organising secretary reported that he had visited Aberystwyth and inaugurated the new Society there.



at the University College. New Societies had been formed at Ipswich and Portsmouth.

(8) Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society.

The following report was received and approved

Meeting February 3rd. 1913.

Present: Pease, Mrs. Webb, Johnson, Schloesser, Lloyd, Mrs. Wilson, Dabery and Sanders.

- (a) Conference at Barrow House in July  
Conference Programme was agreed upon. It was reported that the members of the N.A.C. would attend the Conference. Lists of special people to be invited ~~was~~ <sup>were</sup> drawn up.
- (b) Elected Persons Conference at Manchester at Easter.  
It was reported that the invitations to the Conference were being circulated and local arrangements were in hand.
- (c) Proposed Joint Committee with Labour Party.  
Instructions were given to arrange for the further consideration of this matter with the Labour Party. (A meeting between the Policy Committee of the Parliamentary Labour Party and the members of the Joint Committee has been fixed for Wednesday Feb. 12th.)
- (d) War Against Poverty Campaign.
- (i) Conferences. Reports were received that successful Conferences had been held at Derby, Derbyford, and Edinburgh.
- (ii) Parliamentary Bills. It was reported that the draft Bills embodying the points of the Campaign were ready. It was decided to submit them to the Labour Party as soon as possible. (They will be submitted and discussed at the meeting on Feb. 12th. mentioned above).
- (iii) Handbook for Speakers. Mrs. Webb reported that the handbook was now complete. It was agreed that a number should be issued in the name of the Joint Committee at 6d.; the National Committee, it was understood, would publish an edition in its name at a higher price.

(e) First Sunday in May Demonstration. It was reported that up to date (Feb. 3) 20 I.L.P. branches and Federations, 15 Trade Union Branches, 3 Trades Councils and local Labour Parties, 2 Women's Labour League Branches and 3 other bodies (43 in all) were prepared to help revive the Demonstration. £6.9.6 had been promised towards the cost. It was agreed that the question of holding a Conference to organize the demonstration should be discussed at the next meeting.

9. Fabian Social Function It was decided to recommend that there be no Fabian Dinner this year and to ask the <sup>views</sup> ~~advice~~ of the C.C. as to holding a social function of some other kind.

Mabel Atkinson  
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Meeting February 27<sup>th</sup> 1913

Fabian Office.

Present. Miss Arkinson (in chair) Schloesser, Snell  
Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed. [+ Sanders.  
Apology was received from Mr. Pentinck.

Monthly Reports on Lectures. It was decided that the  
Org. Sec. should try to secure a list of  
engagements from the lecturers of the Society  
every month.

Social Function. The Org. Sec. ~~reported~~ was instructed  
to make enquires as to the possibility of  
holding a Social Gathering at Passmore  
Edwards Settlement.

Agenda for Members Meeting The order of business for  
the Members meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup> was settled.

Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and Fabian Society

The following Report of a meeting held on Monday  
Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> was submitted and approved

Present: W.C. Anderson (in chair), Mrs. Webb, Dubery,  
Pease, Lloyd, Mrs. Wilson and Sanders.

Schlosser.

(a) War against Poverty Campaign.

(i) Reports were received that successful Conferences had been held at Derby, Blackburn, Deptford and Worcester.

(ii) It was reported that four Bills embodying the points of the Campaign were now in the hands of the Labour Party who were considering them.

(b) Joint Committee with the Labour Party.

(i) The section appointed to consult with the Labour Party on the above mentioned Bills and on the institution of a Joint Committee with the Party, reported they had met the Policy Committee of the Party on Feb. 12th. The Policy Committee agreed to refer the Bills to the whole Party with a recommendation that they be approved in principle, the details of each Bill to be discussed by a Sub-Committee of the Party. Steps were being taken by the Labour Party to draw up the constitution of the proposed Joint Committee of the Party, Fabian Society, the I.L.P. and the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress, and a meeting to consider the question would be called shortly.

(ii) It was agreed that if the Labour Party decided to have four members on the proposed Committee that this Committee should have four representatives - two from each constituent body

(c) Conference at Barrow House.

Final Programme was agreed upon and it was ordered to be circulated.

(d) Proposed First Sunday in May Demonstration.

It was reported that support for the Demonstration had been promised by 22 Trade Union Branches, 32 I.L.P. branches, 6 Women's Labour League branches and 13 other bodies, making 73 in all. Financial aid promised amounted to £12,2.6. It was decided that the response to the proposal together with the shortness of time available to organize the demonstration did not justify proceeding with the matter further this year but that a further attempt be made for 1914.

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(e) Elected Persons Conference.

Report was received that applications to attend were coming in and that arrangements for hall, chairman, &c. &c. were completed or in hand.

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Meeting Thursday March 13<sup>th</sup> 1913. Fabian Office.

Present. H. Snell (in chair) Mrs Atkinson, H Schlosser,  
Mrs Webb, C. M. Lloyd, Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership.

(a) March candidates (24), last year 41.

(b) Resignations.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>elected.</u>	<u>last sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
A. P. Yonge	Plymouth.	1908	10/- 18/5/12	Changed views
Cyvil Bland	Eltham	1911	7/6 31/1/12	None given.
Wm. Coles	Watford	1906	5/- 10/3/13	Dissatisfied.
H. Aronson	Chipperfield	1911	5/- 6/2/13	None given.
Miss B. Hymen	Hampstead	1910	10/- 5/12/10	do.
G. Wilshire	Brighton	1897	20/- 11/8/97	Anti Labour Party.
F. M. Cornford	Cambridge	1907	21/- 15/4/12	Out of sympathy.
H. Farjeon	Hampstead	1909	10/- 22/7/12	Changed views.
H. B. Seymour	Harringay	1907	5/- 3/10/11	do.
Mrs. M. Shaw	Bournemouth	1908	5/- 13/1/12	None given.
Mrs. E. Barwick	Pinllico	1909	20/- 20/2/12	do.
E. Bell	Strand	1907	5/- 27/2/12	do.
Miss J. Wade	do	1907	5/- 27/2/12	do.

It was decided that Mr Webb be asked to write to E Bell, Mrs Barwick and Miss Wade; and that she org. sec. write to Mr Coles. The others to be accepted.



(3) Fabian Demonstrations

Org. Sec: reported arrangements had been made for G. P. Shaw to address meetings at Ilford, Palmers Green, Blackburn, Ipswich and Gravesend.

(4) Blackburn F.S.

It was decided that the Blackburn F.S. be asked to supply us with sufficient copies to send to all Fabian Societies of an excellent manifesto on Housing.

(5) Annual Fabian Conference

It was agreed that the C.C. be recommended to arrange to hold the Conference on Saturday July 5<sup>th</sup>; also that a social be held at Passmore Edward's Settlement in connection with the Conference.

(6) Visit of Karl Liebknecht

It was decided that Karl Liebknecht be written to regretting that as Sat. March 22<sup>nd</sup> and Fri. March 23<sup>rd</sup> are holidays ~~and~~ therefore it is not

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possible to arrange to meet him. The Org. Sec. reported he had ~~arranged~~ urged the Labour Party to invite him to the House of Commons.

(7) Circular to Groups and Societies

Circular to Local Societies and Groups calling attention to new Tracts; library circular; Conferences at Barrow House &c. &c. was submitted and approved.

(8) Joint Committee S.F.P. and Fabian Society Conference  
at Barrow House.

It was reported that J. Keir Hardie, M.P. had agreed to ~~be~~ preside at this Conference and that the Committee is now issuing the programme of the Conference to Fabian Societies and representative members of the S.F.P. and Fabian Society. The E.C. of the Fabian Socy were to be urged specially to attend.

(9) Conference of elected persons at Manchester.

It was reported that the attendance at this Conference was expected to be about 100. Agenda was submitted.

C. M. Lloyd  
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Meeting, Thursday April 10<sup>th</sup> 1913. Fabian Office.

Present. C. M. Lloyd. (chairman) & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership (a) April candidates, 33, were elected  
(b) Resignations:-

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Ms. Bunson	Knareborough	1907	5/- 1.5.12.	None.
Miss Ansell	Hampstead	1907	5/- 10.2.11	"
W. F. Starling	Muswell Hill	1912	10/- 10.1.12.	"
W. F. Starling	Brixton	1908	10/- 2.4.12	"
Miss M. Wallace-Dunlop	Ealing	1906	10/- 4.4.12	Suffrage.
E. Martin	New Zealand	1906	10/- 9.9.11.	Poverty.
Rev. G. P. Davies	Hereford	1896	2/6 10.5.12	"
Miss H. Saunders	Ealing	1911	2/6 27.3.13	None.
Cecil J. Sharp	Uxbridge	1900	21 19.3.13	Against party politics.

It was decided that Starling, Davies and Sharp be written to. <sup>The others</sup> <sub>asked</sub>

(3) Application for free supply of tracts was received from Devonport. It was decided to offer leaflets and a few copies of certain tracts.

(4) Conference of Joint Committee of the I.P. and Fabian Society with the Labour Party and other bodies.

The attached Report was presented for information.

C. M. Lloyd  
8/5/13

REPORT OF MEETINGS of Delegates of the Joint Committee of the I. L. P. and Fabian Society with delegates of the Labour Party and the Parliamentary Labour Party on April 2nd and 9th 1913 at the House of Commons to form Committee for united national propaganda.

1. Present. April 2nd. A.G.Cameron (Labour Party) in chair; J. S. Middleton (Labour Party); Mrs. Webb, W. S. Sanders and H. H. Schloesser (Joint Committee of I.L.P. and F.S.)

April 9th A. Henderson, M.P. in chair, John Hodge, M.P., A.G.Cameron and J.S.Middleton (Labour Party); Philip Snowden, M.P., G. Barnes, M.P., and G. H. Roberts, M.P., (Parliamentary Labour Party); Mrs. Webb, W.S.Sanders, H.H.Schloesser and F. Johnson (Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and F.S.)

2. Constitution of Committee.

It was decided that the proposed Committee should be formed consisting of three representatives from each of the following bodies:- Labour Party; Parliamentary Labour Party; Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress (if willing); Independent Labour Party; Fabian Society and Women's Labour League.

3. Title of Committee.

It was agreed that the title of the Committee should be the Labour Propaganda Committee.

4. Chairman.

It was agreed that the Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress should be Chairman of the Labour Propaganda Committee should his Committee decide to join.

5. Secretary.

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J. S. Middleton was appointed secretary of the Committee.

6. Plan of Propaganda.

The delegates of the Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and F.S. proposed that the system of Conferences followed by public meetings adopted in the War against Poverty Campaign be continued. That the Conferences should concern themselves with the Bills to be brought before Parliament in connection with the War against Poverty Campaign, special emphasis to be laid upon the Minimum Wage and the Eight Hour Day. Also that Conferences should be held to deal with trade unionism and political action with special reference to the Trade Unions (No.2) Act modifying the Osborne judgment; and other Conferences, if thought desirable, to promote the movement for the nationalization of railways and mines.

The proposals were agreed to and it was decided to make arrangements to hold Conferences as soon as possible on the subject of Trade Unionism and political action, and J.S.Middleton, F. Johnson and W. S. Sanders were appointed as a Sub-Committee to draw up a scheme. Another Sub-Committee consisting of Mrs. Webb, A. G. Cameron, G. Barnes, M.P. W. C. Anderson, J.S.Middleton, F. Johnson, W. S. Sanders and one representative each from the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress and the Women's Labour League, was appointed to prepare a plan for an autumn campaign of Conferences and meetings, etc. in connection with the other subjects. Philip Snowden, M.P. was appointed to write a leaflet pointing out the importance of trade unions taking political action.

7. Finances.

It was understood that the Labour Party was prepared to give financial support to the Committee.

8. Bills.

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It was announced that the Labour Party had placed the Bills sent in by the Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and F.S. upon the list of Bills they were going to introduce.

Next Meeting.

The next meeting of the Committee was fixed for Wednesday April 23rd at 6 p.m.

W. Stephen Sanders.

Meeting Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> 1913. Fabian Office.

Present. C. M. Lloyd, (in chair) Mr Wilson, Allen, Pears  
& Sanders.

- 1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.
- 2) Chairman & Vice Chairman. Election was held over.

### Membership

- (a) May candidates (17) were elected; last year (19)
- (b) Resignations:- The following were accepted

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Mrs. Aldred	Marylebone.	1908.	5/- 10.2.11	none.
C. E. Ball	Acton.	1907.	12/6 24.6.12.	none.
Miss E. E. Billing	Blackpool.	1908.	5/- 29.3.12.	none.
Rev. R. W. Cox	Oxford.	1909.	5/- 1.3.9.	Fabian Socy misguided.
A. Eagle	Kensington.	1907.	5/- 26.2.12.	No time.
F. J. Fletcher	Strand.	1912.	£1. 11.12.11	do.
Mrs. M. Fordham.	Petersfield.	1906.	5/- 28.2.10.	none.
F. J. Matheson	Hampstead.	1906.15/-	-for 3 years	} (too consti- tutional. do.
Mrs. Matheson	do.	1906.15/-	-for 3 years	
			20.4.13.	
Miss E. Newdomb	Bristol.	1909	10/- 5.3.12.	No longer in sympathy.
Miss B. Smith	Mayford.	1906.	5/- 13.1.11.	Cannot attend.
Miss E. A. Waterfall	Bristol.	1909.	10/- 5.3.12.	No longer in sympathy.
J. P. Whitelaw	Clapham.	1907.	10/- 1.12.11.	None.

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(c) The following were considered by the Committee  
with reference to non-payment of subscriptions:

Name.	Address.	Elected.	Last sub.
H. Higginbottom	Llandudno.	1909.	5/- 8.3.09.
John Martin	New York.	1896	£5 for 3 years 10.7.05.
Rev. J.E.S. Otty	Ossett.	1896	5/- 16.4.09.
T.L. Peers	Bury.	1908	5/- 13.12.07.
Miss Austin Philips	Hendon.	1901	5/- 5.11.09.
Miss H.M. Radford	Hampstead.	1907	15/- for 3 years 5.1.09.
Prof. C. Zueblin	Winchester U.S.A.	1896.	£1 for 5 years 31.10.07.

It was decided that Mrs Philips & Miss Radford be  
written to; the others to be  
struck off.

(d) The following were ordered to be removed from list  
addresses being unknown.

(d) Addresses unknown.

Name.	Last Address.	Letter returned.	Elected.	Sub.
Miss Mary Atkinson	Norwood.	6.2.12	1907	5/-
Miss A.L. Baxter	Wollaston	3.7.12	1911	5/-
H.C. Bazett	Hampstead	19.11.12	1909	5/-
C.W. Couche	Manchester	8.8.12	1908	£1.10.0
Miss M. Cox.	Pimlico	-----	1907	5/-
Mrs. Dorman	Highgate	-----	1908	£1.1.0.
F. Hagger	Clapham	15.11.12.	1908	5/-
Mrs. H. Glover	S. Johns Wood	5.3.12	1909	5/-
H. Glover	do.	5.3.12	1909	5/-
Miss M. Barr	Faling	5.3.13	1909	2/6
Miss D. Lansbury	Bow.	-----	1909	10/6
Miss R. Marwick	Clapham	24.1.12	1911	5/-
Miss E.C. Watson	Holborn	8.5.12	1911	5/-

(3) Tabian Conference

- (a) Resolution from Webb with regard to Labour Party was rejected.
- (b) Further resolutions were to be asked from the Finance General Purposes Committee
- (c) It was decided that the Ex. Com: should be "At Home" at the social to be arranged at the Passmore Edwards Settlement on Friday July 4<sup>th</sup>. that the price of tickets be settled when the cost of Refreshments is known.

(4) University Socialist Federation

Application was received from the University Socialist Federation for a grant of £20 - £10 towards general expenses and £10 towards expenses of forming new Societies. It was agreed to recommend that the application be granted and that the matter be referred to the Finance and General Purposes Committee for consideration and concurrent report to the Executive Committee.

(5) Joint Com: with the J.P.

Matters concerning this Committee and its work were discussed and it was decided to consider the questions further at the next meeting.

Wm Lloyd  
29/5/13

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Meeting Thursday May 29<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present. Lloyd (in chair) Allen, Davies, Mrs Wilson & Sanders.

(1) Chairman. C. M. Lloyd was elected chairman of the Committee.

It was decided not to appoint a vice-Chairman.

(2) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(3) Membership.

(a) June candidates (22) were elected; last year (60)

(b) Resignations. The following were submitted:-

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss Bramley Moore	Bloomsbury	1907	£1. 1. 0 24/4/12.	Poverty.
. Bullock	Highbury	1908	10/- 2/4/12	None.
Mrs. Granger	Maldon	1906	5/- 20/7/10	None.
Miss A. Harrison	Thame	1911	5/- 18/5/11	Poverty.
. C. Meyjes	Gerrards Cross	1893	£5. 7/1/10	None.
Miss M. Olivier	Limpsfield	1906	7/6 22/6/07	None.
. W. Phillips	Canonbury	1910	5/- 8/3/12.	No politics.
. A. Raab	Hampstead	1911	£1. 6/5/11	Cannot attend.
Mrs. C. A. Raab	Hampstead	1911	£1. 6/5/11	do.
I. Rothery	Stoke Newington	1910	5/- 23/3/10	No time.
E. T. Scott	Hampstead	1906	10/- 28/4/10	None.
Mrs. E. T. Scott	Hampstead	1906	10/- 28/4/10	do.

All were accepted except that of Mrs Granger, about whom Mr Lawson Dodd was to be consulted.

(c) It was decided that the following members receive final letter.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
Mrs. Bridges Adams	Earls Court	1907	10/- 14/10/09.
M.R.N. Ainger	Mysore, India.	1910	5/- 8/4/11.
D.J. Barbour	Mark Lane, E.C.	1908	20/- 27/3/11
Miss C.E. Billing	Chelsea	1908	5/- 9/1/11
T.A. Bourne	Hendon	1906	7/6 6/1/11.
M.B. Brentnall	Rochdale	1907	10/- 16/1/11.
F.D. Brett	Thane	1911	2/6 18/5/11
H.J. Bridges	Hyde Park Gate, W.	1908	15/- 9/1/11
H.E. Broderick	Ireland	1911	10/- 2/2/11
Oliver F. Brown	Kensington	1906	10/- 27/2/11
T.A. Browne	Vancouver, B.C.	1908	5- 3/5/11
Miss C.M. Burgis	Nottingham	1899	5/- 16/5/11
Arthur Clutton-Brock	Godalming	1909	£2 28/2/11
Mrs. E.A. Clutton-Brock	"	1909	£2 28/2/11
Frank Cook	Guys Hospital	1909	5/- 29/5/11
R.R. Dawson	Manchester	1910	5/- 4/2/10
H.E. Dunhill	Harrow	1909	£1.1.0. 13/3/11
V.W.E. Evans	none	1911	5/- 18/1/11
J.D. Giles	Middlesboro	1907	10/- 22/3/10
Edw. Goodman	New York	1911	10/- 3/4/11
Miss E. Gould	Stoke Newington	1908	10/- 21/4/11
B. Russell Herts	New York	1911	5/- 11/1/11
J.H. Hicklin	Bournville	1910	5/- 3/2/10
Rev. John Hinkins	Leigh, Lancs.	1909	5/- 15/2/11
Edw. Holt	Stockwell	1911	2/6 18/3/11
M.E. Jerrold	none	1911	10/- 20/2/11
A.B. Kuttner	New York	1909	12/4 19/4/11
E.J. Lansbury	Bow	1909	10/- 9/3/11
Miss L.W. Letzon	Holloway	1910	7/6 20/5/11
E.R. Moon	Southampton	1909	£1. 8/6/11
Paul Muller-Heymer	Drury Lane	1911	5/- 3.3.10
W.F. Nicholson	Spring Gardens	1898	£2 3/2/09
H.A. Oakeshott	Coulsdon	1891	£2.6.2. 20/3/11
Vladimir Serebriakoff	Bloomsbury	1908	10/- 26/5/11
Miss Mabel Sharman	Finchley	1911	5/- 17/1/11
Rev. F. Sinolaire	Australia	1907	5/- 23/8/09
Dr. F.C. Smith	India	1908	£1 13/11/09
Pharall Smith	Brighton	1907	10/6 13/6/10
Mrs. Pharall Smith	"	1907	10/6 27/1/08.
S.H. Smith	Bristol	1908	10/- 2/6/11
G.W. Thompson	Streatham	1907	5/- 1/11/09
Miss Edith Turner	St. Johns Wood	1910	5/- 20/3/11
Donald Ure	Sydenham	1911	10/- 3/4/11
R.A. Wolstenholme	Denman Drive, N.W.	1909	7/- 2/3/11
J.G. Wood	W. Kensington	1910	20/- 23/6/10

(4) New Societies

- (a) Org. Sec. reported he would visit Dundee on June 5<sup>th</sup> to form a new Society.
- (b) Org. Sec. reported that a Fabian Society had been formed at S. Paulo. Mim. USA

(5) Proposed Course of Six Lectures by Sidney Mrs. Webb

It was decided that the proposed course be held and the following arrangements be made-

- (a) That the lectures be held at the Kings Hall, Covent Garden;
- (b) That the lectures be given on the following dates: Tuesdays October 28th, November 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th and December 2nd. (The Hall is available on these days);
- (c) That the prices of tickets be the same as for the course given by Sidney and Mrs Sidney Webb last year, namely, 5/-, 2/6 & 1/- for a single lecture; £1/1/-, 10/6 & 5/- for the course; also that the same methods of advertising - chiefly by circular - be adopted;
- d) That distinguished Socialists be invited to take the chair, including Socialist leaders of France, Germany and Belgium. (Dr. Ludwig Frank, Social Democratic member of the Reichstag, has expressed his willingness to take the chair at one lecture).

(c) Estimate of Receipts and Expenditure.

(see over)

The following estimate of receipts and expenditure based on results of the above mentioned course held last year was submitted by the Organizing Secretary:

<u>Receipts.</u>		<u>Expenditure.</u>	
Sale of Tickets	£450	Hire of Hall	£75.12.0.
Sale of Literature	10	Printing	36. 0.0.
		Postage	55. 0.0.
		Sundries	5. 0.0.
	<u>£460</u>		<u>171.12.0.</u>
		Est. Profit	238. 8.0.
			<u>£460. 0.0.</u>

The expenses of distinguished foreign Socialists, should they accept invitation to take the chair, must be added to the expenditure side of the estimate.

*The estimate was approved.*

#### 6. Provincial Propaganda.

The question of provincial propaganda in connection with local Fabian Societies next autumn and winter was considered and it was decided that members of the Ex. Com: who are known lecturers should be invited to place dates at the disposal of the organizing secretary to be offered to Provincial and University Societies. The travelling expenses of Executive members when lecturing for provincial societies to be met by the parent society when necessary.

(7) Special effort to increase Membership.

It was decided that a short circular be sent in the autumn to members of the Society, urging them to make a special effort to increase the membership of the various Fabian Societies. A membership form to be issued with the circular ~~quarry~~ which should give a brief description of the aims and objects of the Fabian Society.

(8) Proposed Labour Socialist Consultative Committee.

(a) The report annexed (see following page) was considered and it was decided to recommend that the proposals contained therein be approved.

(b) It was further decided that if the Committee be formed our representatives should report to the Org. & Prop. Com: (Lloyd & Mrs Wilson dissent)

(9) Joint Committee of the L.P. and Fabian Society

It was decided to recommend that the reports of the above Committee should be continue to be brought before the Org. & Prop. Com: (except in case of urgency) who will submit them to the Ex. Com: (Lloyd & Mrs Wilson dissent)



(10) Italian Womens Group.

A proposal from the Women's Group that it should affiliate with the National Union of Women Workers was considered and as the affiliation does not bind the Italian Society nor the Group in any way it was decided to recommend that the Ex. Com. agree to the proposal.

(11) Additional member Mr. John Irvine was added to the Sub Com at his request subject to the approval of the C.C.

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report of representatives of the Labour Party, Parliamentary Labour Party, Independent Labour Party, Fabian Society, and Women's Labour League to further consider the formation of a Committee of representatives from these bodies and, if possible, the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress; held at the House of Commons, Tuesday May 27th 1913

Present: A. Henderson, M.P. (in chair), John Hodge, M.P. (Labour Party), W.C. Anderson, J. Mylles, F. Johnson (I.L.P.), H.H. Schloesser, C.M. Lloyd, W.S. Sanders (Fabian Society), Mrs. Salter, Dr. M. Phillips (Women's Labour League).

The memorandum with regard to the scope of the work of the proposed Committee drawn up by the Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and the Fabian Society and endorsed by the Fabian Executive, was considered, amended as follows and adopted for submission to the various bodies concerned:

A Committee of representatives of the Labour Party, Parliamentary Labour Party, I.L.P., Fabian Society, Women's Labour League and the Parliamentary Committee of the Trade Union Congress, with the title of Labour and Socialist Consultative Committee, shall exist for the purpose of providing machinery by which the various sections of the Socialist and Labour movement shall be kept in touch with each other in regard to their propagandist activities.

The Committee, whilst leaving each section complete autonomy over its own propagandist activities, shall, as far as possible prevent overlapping by acquainting each section with the proposed work of the others.

The Committee shall be the medium through which the Labour Party and the propagandist Societies shall be kept in touch with each other in regard to proposals for legislation in such a manner as to co-ordinate as far as possible the work outside and inside Parliament.

The Committee shall consider and submit to its constituent bodies proposals whereby any piece of work undertaken by one section may be rendered more effective by the co-operation of the others.

It was further decided that if the Committee is established, the officers shall be a Chairman, a Vice-Chairman and a Secretary.

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Meeting, Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present: Mr. John G. Irvine (in chair) E. Davies.  
 Mr. Webb, Allen, Pease & Sanders.

1) Minutes. of the meeting of May 29<sup>th</sup> were read & confirmed.

2) Apologies were received from H. Small, & Lloyd.

3) Dundee Fabian Socy. The organizing secretary reported he visited Dundee on Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> and formed a Fabian Society there with 25 members.

4) Annual Fabian Conference. Amendments to resolutions for the Conference Agenda (and further resolutions) were received and referred to the Ex. Com: for consideration.

5) Joint Committee of the S. P. and Fabian Society.

The Report of a meeting held on Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> was submitted as follows:

see over

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Present E. R. Pease (in chair) Mrs Webb, J. Mylles, Miss  
Bondfield, H Dalery, H H Schlosser.

(1) Report of Committee was passed subject to  
necessary corrections.

(2) Darrow House Conference. It was reported that  
about fifty persons were expected to attend  
the Conference.

(3) Other business transacted had not reached the  
report stage.

Ch. L. G.

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Meeting Thursday July 10<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present G. M Lloyd (in chair) Mrs Webb, Mrs Wilson, Schweser, Snell, Ervine, Sanders.

1) Minutes of the meeting of July 19<sup>th</sup> were read and confirmed.

2) Soiree The following report on the Soiree held July 14<sup>th</sup> 1913 was received and adopted.

<u>Receipts.</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Tickets sold. £15. 7. 6	Refreshments. 5. 5. 0.
	Hire of Hall. 5. 15. 0.
	Printing, Postage &c - 17. 6.
	Balance (surplus) 3. 10. 0
	<u>£15. 7. 6</u>

3) Speakers Class. The following report was received and adopted:

The class last session continued until the beginning of June. The students attended very regularly and several showed great improvement by the time the class

finished. One of them expressed his gratitude for the help he had received in speaking by paying the Society the sum of £1.9.0. which together with the registration fees of 1/- per student, covered the payment to the teacher of voice production. (5)

It was decided to recommend that the class be continued on similar lines next session.

(4) Conference of Executive Committee with the Ex. Com. of the University Socialist Federation.

The following suggestions brought forward at the above Conference were considered:-

- (a) The Fabian Society and the U.S.F. to interchange names and addresses of ex-University men and women who become members of either body.
  - (b) The Fabian office to be the official address of the U.S.F.
  - (c) The U.S.F. Committee to be given free use of the Fabian office.
  - (d) The Fabian office staff to duplicate notices etc. of the U.S.F.
  - (e) The Fabian Society to send out notices of the U.S.F. with its own announcements.
  - (f) The U.S.F. Conference to meet at Barrow House at Easter on similar terms to those of this year.
  - (g) An annual meeting to be held of the Executive Committees of the Fabian Society and the U.S.F.
  - (h) An announcement to appear in Fabian News stating that the two Executive Committees had met and arrangements had been made to work co-operatively.
  - (i) The U.S.F. to have the advice of the Executive Committee of the Fabian Society with regard to its budget. (6)
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It was decided that (f) be referred to the Summer School Committee and that the others be agreed to.

(5) Lectures by Sidney Webb at Kings Hall.

(a) Org. Sec. reported that the following arrangements had been made with regard to chairmen:

Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> Bernard Shaw.

Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> Dr Ludwig Frank.

" 11<sup>th</sup> Waiting reply from Jaurès.

" 18<sup>th</sup> Granville Barker.

" 25<sup>th</sup> E Vandervelde.

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Rev. R. J. Campbell.

(b) He also reported that envelope addressing was well in hand.

(6) Provincial Lectures.

It was agreed that H. H. Schlessner should give a course of lectures at York under the auspices of the York F.S., the London F.S. to pay travelling expenses.

7) Occupation Catalogue. The org. sec. reported that the occupation catalogue was now complete and that



JW Shaw had been responsible for its compilation.  
It was decided to recommend the C.P. to thank  
JW Shaw.

(8) Tract on Nationalisation of Mines.

As a matter of urgency it was decided to  
instruct the office to have this tract printed  
at once and sent to the press, and to ask the  
Labour party if they wished to purchase copies.

(9) Suggestions on organization brought forward at  
Annual Conference.

(10) It was decided that these be circulated to all the  
societies and groups for comment & additions and  
afterwards typewritten for general use of the societies  
& groups.

J. S. Nell

25 Sept. 1913

Meeting, Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present. C. M. Lloyd, (in chair) Irvine, Mr. Webb, Snell,  
Sanders & Pease. Apologies were received from <sup>Mr. Nelson</sup> ~~Mr. Nelson~~  
<sup>Schlosser.</sup>

- (1) Minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Membership. July, August & September candidates, 21 in all, were elected.

(3) Lectures at King's Hall.

It was reported that

- (a) 35,000 envelopes had been addressed for sending out syllabuses and order form.
- (b) An additional 4,000 syllabuses and order form will be sent out free by the National Committee.
- (c) Syllabuses and order forms would go out with "News".
- (d) 35,000 circulars (approved by the Committee) advertising the Society and its publications and including an order form for the Rural Problem Report would go out with the syllabuses.

(4) Proposed Dinner to Jaurès.

It was suggested that a dinner might be given to Jaurès on the occasion of his visit to England on November 11<sup>th</sup> and the Hon. Sec. reported he had written <sup>Jean</sup> Paul Bonquet asking if the proposal could be carried out. It was agreed that if the reply were in the affirmative, the E.C.

should be recommended to arrange for a dinner.  
Tickets to be not more than 7.

(5) Suggestions from the Annual Conference

It was reported that the suggestions made at the Annual Conference with regard to the work of the Societies and groups had been circulated for additions and amendments.

(6) Lectures by members of the Executive

It was reported that in connection with this year's scheme for lectures under the auspices of the local Societies various members of the Ex. Com: including, Davies, Mrs Webb, Schloesser, Dr Phillips, Mrs Reeves, Ervine, Webb, Lloyd others had booked dates.

(7) Hall for Education Group Lectures.

Application was received from the Education Group for payment of Halls for two lectures by Sidney Webb and Miss O'leghorn. It was agreed to recommend that the application be acceded to, cost not to exceed £2 per lecture.

(8) Joint Committee of the I.L.P. & Fabian Society.

(See next page)

The following report of meeting held on Thursday 25th Sept was received and adopted.

Present: Pease (in chair), Mrs. Webb, Sanders, Lloyd (Fabian Society); Mylles, Johnson, Dubery (I.L.P.)

i. Conference at Barrow House.

Report of Conference was presented showing that about 60 persons had attended. The N.A.C. had held its business meeting at Barrow House during the Conference week. The N.A.C. approved the proposal for classes in economics, industrial history, etc. to be organized by the Joint Committee in connection with branches of the I.L.P.; and also that Conferences on "Land Problems" and "Education" be organized in the New Year.

ii. The Educational Classes.

It was reported that a large number of I.L.P. branches and Federations had been circularized with regard to the classes and about sixty applications for them had been received. About fifty lecturers or class leaders had been secured. Syllabuses were ordered to be prepared and printed and other details settled.

iii. Proposed Conferences on "Land Problems" and "Education".

These were discussed and it was decided to adjourn consideration until next meeting.

E.R. Pease. Vice-Chairman.

9) Professional lectures in Rural Districts

Letter was read from H. Green suggesting he might lecture for the Society on the subject of "Rural Problems" lecturing to be done in country regions and to be professional. It was agreed that the suggestion be declined.

Chm-Lloyd

9 Oct. 1913.

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Meeting Thursday October 9<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present. Lloyd (in chair) Irvine, Snell, Sanders, & Schesser.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Memberships

(a) October candidates, 10, were elected.

(b) Resignations as under were accepted, with the exception of A. J. Dunn, Miss Cooper, Rev. F. Smith, Mrs. Mc Cleary, & J. Archibald who were to be written to.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss N. M. Blacklock	Faling	1908. 5/-	23. 10. 12	None.
Miss M. H. Blacklock	do.	1908 5/-	3. 1. 13	"
Clifford Flower	Birmingham	1911 4/-	19. 8. 11	Poverty.
Mrs. W. B. Whitney	Bombay	1909 5/-	5. 8. 11	Economy.
Miss Jessie Bayes	Hampstead	1907 7/6	12. 12. 12	None.
P. Smith	Stoke on Trent	1897. 5/-	7. 10. 12	None.
K. Hesselmann	Mexico	1911 10/-	1. 5. 11	Revolution.
A. Davison	Manor Park	1912 -	- - -	None.
Miss H. Clark	Upton Manor	1908 5/-	28. 8. 13	None.
Mrs. F. M. Cornford	Cambridge	1908 30/-	4. 12. 8	None.
Miss J. B. Cooper	Letchworth	1911 5/-	4. 7. 13	Gone from London.
Miss V. Taylor	Wark on Tyne	1907 52	8. 6. 10	None.
Miss I. Bernard	Hampstead	1908 2/6	25. 1. 10	None.
A. D. Lewis	Bayswater.	1906 10/-	19. 5. 13	None.
Rev. Conrad Noel	Dunmow	1903 5/-	11. 6. 10.	None.
Miss Mackenzie	Frankfort	1908 10/-	23. 6. 13	None.
Edwin Pugh	Harrow	1907 21/-	16. 6. 13	General Weariness.
J. Archibald	Finchley	1906 7/6	5. 7. 12	None.
Miss G. K. Robinson	S. Kensington	1910 21	8. 8. 13	Going.

Meeting Thursday October 9<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present Lloyd (in chair) Irvine, Snell, Sanders, & Schweser

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Membership

(a) October candidates, 10. were elected.

(b) Resignations as under were accepted, with the exception of A. J. Dunn, Mrs Cooper, Rev. F. Smith, Mrs McCleary, & J. Archibald who were to be written to.

Name.	Address.	Elected.	Last Sub.	Reason.
Miss N.M. Blaiklock	Ealing	1908. 5/-	23.10.12	None.
Miss M. H. Blaiklock	do.	1908 5/-	3. 1.13	"
Clifford Flower	Birmingham	1911 4/-	19. 8.11	Poverty.
Mrs. W.B. Whitney	Bombay	1909 5/-	5. 8.11	Economy.
Miss Jessie Bayes	Hampstead	1907 7/6	12.12.12.	None.
J. Smith	Stoke on Trent	1897. 5/-	7.10.12.	None.
Hesselmann	Mexico	1911 10/-	1. 5.11	Revolution.
Davison	Manor Park	1912 -	- - -	None.
Miss H. Clark	Upton Manor	1908 5/-	28. 8.13	None.
Mrs. F.M. Cornford	Cambridge	1908 30/-	4.12. 8	None.
Miss J.B. Cooper	Letchworth	1911 5/-	4. 7.13	Gone from London.
Miss V. Taylor	Wark on Tyne	1907 £2	8. 6.10	None.
Miss I. Bernard	Hampstead	1908 2/6	25.1.10	None.
L.D. Lewis	Bayswater.	1906 10/-	19.5.13	None.
Rev. Conrad Noel	Dunmow	1903 5/-	11.6.10.	None.
Miss Mackenzie	Frankfort	1908 10/-	23.6.13	None.
Edwin Pugh	Harrow	1907 21/-	16.6.13	General Weariness.
J. Archibald	Finchley	1906 7/6	5.7.12	None.
Miss G.K. Robinson	S. Kensington	1910 £1	8.6.13	Going abroad.
A. F. Dunn	Leicester	1907 £2.2.0	8.8.11.	None.
Mrs. Lee	Wallington	1907 7/6	13.8.10	Cannot take part.
A. F. Carr	Woodford Green	1907 15/-	4.1.12.	Poverty.
Miss M.M. Lindsay	Highgate	1907 10/-	4.4.12.	Going abroad.
Alex. Hird	Grewle	1908 £1	17.1.11.	None.
P. T. Kenway	Godalming	1909 £5	1.4.13	Guild
Mrs. W. Bullard	Constantinople	1907 £2	3.1.13	Socialist.
Mrs. McCleary	Hampstead	1907 £1.1.0	4.10.13.	None.

(3) Stings Hall Lectures.

- (a) Report was received that the whole of the 35,000 circulars would be distributed by the end of the week, in addition to those sent out by the National Committee.
- (b) Report was received that tickets to the value of about £140 had been sold to date.

(4) Suburban Lectures

- (a) Application from West Ham F. S. for cost of hall (etc) for a lecture by Mrs Pember Reeves was granted.
- (b) Application for a course of lectures at Maidstone was granted provided proper arrangements were made to organise the course

(5) Ruskin College

The Org. Sec. reported that he was giving a course of four lectures at Ruskin College on the German Socialist + Trade Union Movement.

Also that he had been offered a lectureship on "The History Theory of Socialism" at the College. The office necessitated the giving of about



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24 lectures per annum. It was agreed to recommend that  
Prog. Sec: accept the offer.

(6) Educational Classes under joint Com: of J.L.P. and Fabian Soc

The chairman, C. M. Lloyd, reported that there had been a large response to the circular proposing the formation of classes, and that one-sixty were to be established. There would, however, most likely be a shortage in the supply of lecturers. Syllabuses of the courses had been circulated.

(7) New Societies.

Steps were being taken to form a local Fabian Society at Sunderland.

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Minutes of Meeting Thursday November 13<sup>th</sup> 1913.

Present. L. M. Lloyd Snell (in chair) W<sup>rs</sup> Webb Sanders.

1. Minutes of meeting of October 9<sup>th</sup> were read and confirmed.
2. Membership November candidates (26) were elected; last year (32)
3. Kings Hall Lectures Report to November 12<sup>th</sup> as follows was submitted and approved:
 

Sale of Tickets	£ 425.
Probable further sale about	£ 25.
Sale of literature	£ 6. 13. 0.
4. New Societies Steps were reported as being taken to form a Society at Luton.
5. Provincial Lecturing Scheme. (a) It was decided to recommend that in connection with the Provincial lecturing scheme that when local Fabian Societies organize large meetings to be addressed by prominent

members of the Society, syllabuses be provided of the lecture, to be forwarded by post, with other announcements in connection with the Fabian Society, to persons selected by the local Society. In connection with this proposal "The New Statesman" is prepared to pay half the cost of postage (the other half to be borne by the London F.S.) providing announcements of that paper be sent out with the syllabus. This offer to be accepted.

- (6) It was reported that a Lecture Course and Debate had been arranged at Maidstone.

(6) Circular inviting members to recruit new members.

It was decided that Mr Webb should endeavour to get Bernard Shaw to amend draft to be drawn up by the office.

7 Joint Committee of the J. P. and Fabian Society

The following report was received and adopted:

Meeting October 22, 1913. Fabian Office.

Present. W. C. Anderson (in chair) Miss Bondfield

A. Dubery, H. Johnson, W. Sanders, C. Lloyd and

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A. A. Schloesser.

(a) The chief business considered was the report of C. M. Lloyd on the organization of Educational Classes. Applications had been received for the formation of 86 classes. A further supply of syllabuses was ordered.

(b) The question of holding Conferences on Land and Education was again postponed.

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Minutes of Meeting Thursday December 11<sup>th</sup> 1913

Present C. M. Lloyd, (in chair) Pease, Ervine, Sanders.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Membership. December candidates (58) were elected; last year (47).

(3) Kings Hall lectures: Receipts and Expenditure

The following Report was received & adopted:

Receipts:

Tickets sold	£463.
Literature "	21.

(The estimate was: Sale of Tickets £450; Literature £10.)

Expenditure:

Hire of Hall; Printing; etc. £215.

Details of expenditure would be ready for next meeting

(4) Anatole France, Lecture & Reception: Receipts & Expenditure

It was reported that all the tickets had been sold or allotted and the Receipts were about £65. and the Expenditure about £22.

(5) New Society. It was reported that a new Society had been practically formed at Sunderland which would be inaugurated in the New Year by the Org: Sec:

(6) Conference at Letchworth. Proposal was received from the Letchworth F.S. that a Socialist Conference be held at Letchworth next summer. Agreed that it be referred to the joint Com: of the J.L.P. & F.S.

(7) Educational Classes. The chairman (C. M. Lloyd) reported that 100 classes were either formed, or in process of formation, of which number 50 were actually at work.

(8) Speaker's Class. The teacher of voice production, Mrs Manson, requested that her fee be raised from 30s to guineas and it was agreed to. The class was fixed to begin early in January.

C. M. Lloyd  
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Meeting Thursday, January 15<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. C. M. Lloyd (in chair), Mrs Webb, Erwin & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Apologies were received from Davies & Snell.

(3) Membership

(a) January candidates (17) were elected; last year (21)

(b) The following resignations were received & accepted with the exception of the Rev J Adderley & P.W. Peacock who were to be written to:-

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss Janet D'Aeth.	Liverpool.	1905	10/6 1.1.13	None
Miss Dora Cox.	Hampstead.	1907	5/- 7.6.12	Out of London.
C. Straughan.	Hythe.	1912	10/6 15.3.12.	None.
Miss G. Keen.	Watford.	1911	5/- 21.1.13.	Out of London.
H. R. Gledstone.	Westminster.	1912	10/6 7.10.12.	Changed views.
Miss G. Leigh.	Winchelsea.	1909	10/- 6.9.12.	Not in agreement.
Miss N. G. Bacon.	City.	1898	5/- 14.1.13.	No reason.
A. G. Penty.	Hampstead.	1908	5/- 14.10.11.	Changed views.
J. M. Upcott.	Hampstead.	1907.	5/- 20.12.12.	Joining another Socy.
Miss C.E. Marriott.	Streatham.	1911	5/- 16.9.12.	Cannot subscribe.
W.S. Clayton Greene.	Bushey.	1906	10/- 2.1.13.	None.
W. Seymour Legge.	Nunhead.	1907	6/- 31.12.12.	Poverty.
G. Moss, Jr.	Loughborough.	1911	8/- 3.2.13.	No time.
Miss J. Thomas.	W. Dulwich.	1907	5/- 4.12.12.	None.
Miss Clark.	Kings Langley.	1907	5/- 13.3.12.	Cannot attend.
J. MacCallum.	Highgate.	1907	5/- 5.11.12.	None.
P.W. Peacock.	Streatham Hill.	1906	15/- 4.6.13.	
Hon. Rev. J. Adderley.	Birmingham.	1908	10/- 5.5.13.	None.
Miss M.L. Brabner.	Hammersmith.	1908	5/- 10.10.12.	None.
Mrs. Leghorn.	Hampstead.	1907	10/- 4.3.13.	None.
F. Leghorn.	do.	1907	10/- 4.3.13.	None.
L.C. Harrison.	Letchworth.	1906	10/6 9.10.12.	None.
Miss Benson.	Kensington.	1912	10/- 2.7.12.	None.
Miss Jewson.	Hampstead.	1912.	10/- 18.11.12.	Out of Londn.
Mrs. Lucy Morice.	S. Australia.	1892.	5/- 26.10.11.	None.
Mrs. Kennard Davis.	Marlborough.	1908.	10/- 18.11.13.	Poverty.
B. S. Beck.	Liverpool.	1907.	5/- 8.1.13.	Other calls.

(c) Letter was received from Philip Snowden withdrawing his and Mrs Snowden's resignation. (7)

(4) Speakers Class. It was reported that the Speaker's Class had begun on Jan: 12<sup>th</sup> with 20 students. (8)

(5) Lectures in Germany Letter was received from the Baden section of the German Social Democratic Party, through Ludwig Frank, inviting the Gen: Sec: to give lectures in Mannheim, Heidelberg, Karlsruhe, Rindwurgshafen and other towns, on the Labour Socialist Movement in Britain. It was decided to recommend that as there will be no expense to the Society, the Gen: Sec: be empowered to accept the invitation providing that arrangements can be made for the work of the office to be carried on in his absence. (9)

(6) Strike in S. Africa Letter was received from the B.S.P. requesting co-operation in a demonstration against the arrest of Strike Leaders in S. Africa. Decided to refer the matter to the Ex. Com:.

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(7) New Society. It was decided that the Sunderland H.S. be opened on Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> by the Gen: Sec:

(8) Educational Classes

Report was received from C. M. Lloyd that about sixty classes were now in working order.

(9) The Fabian Banner

An offer by Mrs Geraldine Carr to embroider the banner designed by H. Colv was accepted it being understood that the cost of materials would be about £5.

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Meeting Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present: C. M. Lloyd (in chair) M<sup>rs</sup> Webb, Irvine, Sanders.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

1) Membership. (a) February candidates 32 were elected; last year (24)

(b) The following resignations were accepted:

F. G. Gardiner	Cape Town	1895	£1.	8/3/13.	Official.
Mrs. E. Shallard	Hatfield	1910	6/-	5/3/10.	None.
R. Mather	Adelphi	1911	£1. 1s.	24/2/13	do.
Miss L. Thomas	Olapham	1911	10/-	7/7/11.	do.
Mrs. Thomas	do.	1911	10/-	7/7/11.	do.
S. C. Thomas	do.	1911	10/-	7/7/11.	do.

1) Nav Society The <sup>General</sup> ~~organising~~ sec: reported that steps were being taken to form a Fabian Society at Bradford.

1) General Secretary's Lectures in Provinces. The General Secretary reported that he had arranged some time back to lecture at the Liverpool University H.S.; the Liverpool H.S.; York and Sunderland H.S. between Feb 13<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. These would be the last of his provincial engagements.

(5) German Lecturing Tour by the General Secretary.

The General Sec: reported that the Baden Social Democratic Party had arranged for the tour to begin on April 1<sup>st</sup> at Mannheim.

Eight towns would be visited during the tour and the General Secretary would be back on or about April 15<sup>th</sup>.

(6) Course of lectures in the Autumn by Bernard Shaw.

The General Secretary reported that Bernard Shaw had promised provisionally to give a course of lectures under the auspices of the Society in the autumn, the arrangements to be similar to those in connection with the King's Hall series by Sidney and Mrs. Webb. It was decided to recommend that if the lectures be given they should be held in Kingsway (large) Hall.

(7) Fabian Dinner.

It was decided to recommend that the Fabian Dinner 1914, be held at the Holborn Restaurant on May 1<sup>st</sup> and that tickets be 5/-

(8) Lecture by Bernard Shaw on "Education & the Drama"

The General Sec: <sup>reported that G.S.</sup> having promised the Education Group a lecture on "Education & the Drama" the Group

had requested the Gen. Sec. to make the necessary arrangements, and it was agreed that he should <sup>do</sup>, so there being no expense to the Society.

- (9) Chairman for Members Meeting It was decided to ask A. J. Thorogood to take the chair on Feb 20<sup>th</sup>.
- (10) Manchester U. S. S. asked for a Book Box without fee. It was decided to decline.
- (11) Adv. in Womens L. L. Pamphlet was requested by the W. L. L. Decided to decline. (Urgency)
- (12) Address to E. F. Pease Decided that Webb & Shaw be asked to draft.
- (13) Meeting at Clarion Office on Deported S. Africans  
Decided to decline invitation to this meeting as we are represented in this matter through the Labour Party.
- (14) Syllabuses of Study Circle drawn up by U. Soc. Sec. were received.

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Meeting Thursday March 13. 1914.

Present. C. M. Lloyd (in chair) Mr. Webb, Irvine, Snell & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Membership

(a) March candidates (61) were elected; last year (24)

(b) Resignations.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Address.</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Miss M. G. Houston	Herne Hill	1907. 5/-	2/2/12	Poverty.
J. C. Lee Gordon	Coventry	1911. 10/6.	27/2/13.	(?) Syndicalist
Mrs. L. Gordon Stables	Bayswater	1909. 10/6.	8/5/13.	None.
Mrs. Gladding	Farnham	1908. 5/-	3/3/13.	Revolutionist
Miss Billing	Didcot	1908. 5/-	9/8/13.	Suffrage.
P. Howard Morton	Chingford	1912. 10/6.	1/11/12.	None.
Mrs. Morton	do.	1912. 10/6.	1/11/12.	do.
I. N. Bride	Goodmayes	1908. 5/-	3/12/12.	No time.

It was agreed to accept all except that of Miss M. G. Houston who was to be asked if she should be kept on for the present.

(3) Socialist Unity Demonstration, London

The Gen. Sec. reported that final arrangements had been made to hold demonstration at Kingsway Hall on March 26<sup>th</sup>. Full particulars were published in News.

All Fabians & other Socialists in London  
would be circularized.

(4) Fabian Dinner 1914

Gen. Sec. reported that the dinner had been  
fixed to take place at the Holborn Restaurant  
It was decided not to have any entertainment;  
and it agreed that J. R. Macdonald, Graham  
Kallas, Mr & Mrs Hyndman and the new chairman  
of the S. L. P. should be invited as guests.

(5) Address to Pease

It was decided that Emory Walker & Bernard  
Shaw be asked to advise on the illuminating  
and writing of the address.

(6) Annual Conference

It was decided to fix date of the Conference  
for July 14<sup>th</sup> if possible at Cliffords Inn.

(7) Bernard Shaw's Lecture on Education & the Drama

The following financial report of the  
lecture was received (contd)

(7) Bernard Shaw's Lecture (cont'd)

8. Bernard Shaw's Lecture on Education and the Drama:

The following is a statement of the financial results of the lecture:

		£	s.	d.
Sale of Tickets	34	12.	6.	
Rent of Hall &c.	4		9.	0.
Printing tickets.			6.	6.
Postage.			1	1. 9.
Balance.			28	15. 3.
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(8) Edinburgh University Fabian Society

Request to be let off with the payment <sup>of 1/-</sup> for membership fees for year ending 1914 was agreed to

(9) Request for use of Membership list

Request for use of membership list from the Little Galleries was declined.

(10) The Scope and Work of a local Fabian Society.

Copies of the amended and completed document ~~will~~ were placed ~~to~~ on the Table.

(12) Educational Classes under Joint Committee

You are reported anonymous donation of £5 towards cost  
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Meeting, Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. L. M. Lloyd (in chair) Ervine, Pease Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Membership. April candidates (26) were elected; last year (33)
- (3) Socialist Unity Demonstration Com.: A preliminary report was received that it appeared likely that the expenses of the Kingsway Hall meeting would be covered by the sale of tickets which had amounted to about £50.
- (4) New Societies. It was reported that Fabian Societies were in course of formation at Alfrincham and Horw.
- (5) Address to E. R. Pease. It was reported that arrangements had been made for Mr. Graily Skwitt to write the address and most of the names attached and for Miss Katherine

(5) Address to Pease (cont'd)

Adams to do the binding. The number of names received to date about 400.

(6) Fabian Dinner

Report on Sale of tickets was received. The questions of Seats & Speakers were referred to the Ex. Com:

(7) Funeral of Hubert Bland.

Instructions were given for the purchase of a wreath to the value of two guineas. E. R. Pease & W. Stephen Sanders were appointed to attend the funeral as representatives of the Society. It was decided that all members of the S. C. be notified of the time & place and urged to attend.

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Meeting Thursday April 30<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present: C. M. Lloyd (in chair) Mrs. Webb, Snell, Ervine and Sanders.

(1) Minutes. of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Membership. <sup>May</sup> ~~April~~ candidates (25) were elected; last year (17).

(3) Grant of Tracts. A first instalment of free grant of Tracts to Glasgow W. F. S. already agreed to was approved.

(4) Clarion Van Committee. Request for two delegates to serve on this Committee was received. Decided to recommend that delegates be not sent but that we offer a free grant of Tracts.

(5) Joint Committee of J. L. P. & Fabian Society.  
The following report was received (adopted)  
(see over.)

Joint Committee of the I.L.P. and F.S. Meeting held on April 27th, 1914, at Fabian Office - Present: W.C. Anderson (in chair), H. Dubery, J. Myllis, W.H. Ayles & F. Johnson (I.L.P.), Mrs. Webb, E.R. Pease, C.M. Lloyd & W. Stephen Sanders (F.S.).

- (a) Socialist Unity Demonstrations. It was reported that the accounts in connection with the Demonstrations were not complete, but it did not seem likely that there would be an excess of expenditure over income. Should, however, there be a deficit it was agreed that the share due from the I.L.P. and F.S. be met by the Joint Committee.
- (b) Educational Classes. A preliminary report was received of the first session's work of the classes, which numbered about 60. It appeared that the expenses of the classes (except the cost of the first circulars and syllabuses) had been nearly covered by fees. It was agreed to continue the classes and to endeavour to extend them.
- (c) Report on Socialist activities to be presented to the International Socialist Congress at Vienna: It was agreed that it was desirable that the British Section of the International Socialist Bureau should arrange for the issue of a Report to the Int: Soc: Congress containing an account of Socialist and Trade Unionist Activities in the United Kingdom, and that this Report should be in one volume; each organisation - the I.L.P., B.S.P., F.S., Labour Party, etc. - to be responsible for its portion, the whole to be under the editorship of the British Section. The cost of the Report to be met proportionately by the organisations concerned. The I.L.P. and F.S. representatives were requested to bring this proposal before the British Section.
- (d) Joint Committee Conference at Barrow House: It was agreed that instead of a Conference being held at Barrow House under the auspices of the Joint Committee, the I.L.P. should arrange with the Summer School Committee to hire Barrow House for an I.L.P. week from July 11th to 18th.

W. C. Anderson,  
Chairman.

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Meeting May 14<sup>th</sup> 1914.

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Members of Committee 1914-15.

Mr. Sidney Webb.

Emil Wares

J. Lawson Dodd.

S<sup>r</sup> John G. Ervine.

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W<sup>r</sup> Stephen Sanders.

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# Meeting Thursday May 14<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. Mr. Webb, Ervine, Snell, Dodd, Lloyd Sanders.

- 1) Chairman. A Snell was appointed Chairman pro-tem.  
Pro-tem.
- 2) Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.
- 3) Election of Chairman. A Snell was elected chairman.
- 4) Election of Vice-Chairman. St. John G. Ervine was elected vice-chairman.
- 5) Way of Meeting. It was agreed that the Committee <sup>meet</sup> on Thursdays, usually once a month.
- 6) Lectures by Bernard Shaw. It was agreed that the course of lectures to be given by Bernard Shaw in Kingsway Hall should be held, if possible, on six successive Tuesdays beginning October 27<sup>th</sup> next. A report was received that the Hall would cost £157.

(6) Lectures by Bernard Shaw (contd) It was agreed that the syllabus of the lectures be widely circulated, say to 20,000 people.

(7) Fabian Conference. It was reported that several resolutions had come in (or were promised) by Local Societies & Groups. It was agreed to recommend that the Ex. Com: formulate resolutions on (a) Grants-in-Aid and (b) on bringing the Control of Industry before the International Socialist Congress. It was further agreed Pease be recommended as chairman. Place Clifford's Inn Hall.

(8) Membership. Application to become a member from H.C. J. Colborna was rejected as no subscription or promise of subscription was attached.

(9) Dinner It was reported that 220 tickets had been disposed of, of which about 10 were complimentary. Arrangement for speeches and presentations to Pease and Mrs Pease were approved.

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(10) New Office. It was decided to recommend that the arrangements in connection with the New Offices be carried out by this Committee.

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Meeting, Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1914.

Present. H. Snell (in chair) M<sup>rs</sup> Webb, Wodd Sanders

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership

(a) June candidates 15 were elected; last year 22.

(b) Resignations (as per list) were accepted, excepting F. W. Stansfield.

(c) Members with no address (as per list) were removed from membership list.

(d) It was decided to strike off membership list the following: G. Lothe, C. A. Randall, D. B. Thomas, F. W. Townshend, for non-payment of subs. J. O'Grady, M.P. was retained.

(3) Shaw Lectures

It was reported that Bernard Shaw had agreed to give the lectures on Wednesdays October 28<sup>th</sup>, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, & Dec: 2<sup>nd</sup>; & Kingsway Hall had been booked for these dates.

(3) Shaw Lectures (contd)

It was decided to submit the following panel of names of possible chairmen to Shaw for approval:

Anatole France. Granville Barker.

Gilbert Murray. J Zangwill

Graham Wallas. Miss Lena Ashwell.

Arnold Bennett. H D Harben.

E W Russell (A & C) Mr Besant.

Clutton Brock. J Galewooshy.

Mr Seton Gilman. Canon Scott Holland.

Rev Percy Dearmer. Bishop of Birmingham.

Bishop of Oxford. G. M Lloyd.

Gerard Gould. A Lindsay.

G D M Cole. Miss Jane Harrison.

Miss E Robins.

It was decided that the Sec: bring up a scheme of distribution of about 20,000 syllabuses by post.

(4) Suburban Provincial Lectures.

It was decided to pay the expenses of three speakers to lecture for the York H. and



(4) Suburban & Provincial Lectures (cont<sup>d</sup>).

to pay the cost of a lecture at Ford Town Hall by H. Snell.

(5) International Socialist Congress.

It was reported that the following members proposed to attend the Congress as delegates from the Fabian Society:

Mrs Webb, Sidney Webb, E. R. Pease, Michael Pease, Mr. Barbara Drake, Miss Hadley, Miss Susan Lawrence, Bernard Shaw & Mr. Shaw, Miss Atkinson

(6) Fabian Conference "At Home"

Mr. Webb having offered to give an "At Home" in connection with the Fabian Conference it was agreed that the following be invited:-  
The Executive Committee; the delegates to the Conference; the members of the Research Department; Secretaries of Groups (London & Subject) the E. C. of the Univ: Soc: Fed:; the E. C. of the I.L.P. & B.S.P.

(7) Consultative Member of the E. C. of the Univ: Soc: Fed:.

It was decided to recommend that C. M. Lloyd be appointed.  
H. Snell 9 July 1914

MEMBERSHIP.

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Resignations:

<u>Name,</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected,</u>	<u>Last Sub,</u>	<u>Reason,</u>
Mrs. Conrad Noel	Thaxted	1907	5/- 23.10.11	None.
H.G. Woodgate	Croydon	1910	10- 7.3.13	Syndicalist
W. Newbold	Tunbridge Wells	1907	£1 3.1.13	None
Miss M.G. Houston	Herne Hill	1907	5/- 2.2.12.	Poverty
F.W. Stansfield	Reading	1896	£1 17.3.14	No politics.
Karl Vernon	New Malden	1909	10/- 19.3.14	None
Rev. W. Temple	Repton	1911	£1 2.12.11	None
Miss B. Duffy	Hampstead	1907	£1.1. 14.3.14	Invalid
Rev. A.W. Oxford	Mayfair	1889	10/- 19.4.13.	Age.
Miss E. Todd	Clapton	1910	5/- 10.3.14	None
Rev. J.G. Gillman	Woolwich	1912	5/- 18.3.14	No time
E. Hope	Palmers Green	1910	10/- 29.3.13	Business
Miss V. Tillard	London, N.W.	1912	5/- 19.11.12	Changed views
H.B. Thomas	Putney	1909	5/- 23.4.14	None
Miss D. Cash	Harlesden	1912	5/- 6.11.12	Illness
Mrs. Braby	Hendon	1907	10/6 15.4.14	None
Mrs. M. Hine	London, W.C.	1908	5/- 25.8.13	Financial
Miss R. Ford	New Cross	1910	5/- 15.5.12.	Other interests
S.C. Herbert	Kensington	1905	10/6 4.11.12	Policy.
T. Anderson	Lewisham	1908	5/- 13.5.14	None

Members with no address:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Sub.</u>
Dr. W. Little	Dumbarton	June '13	May '07
A.H. Smith	Bickley	May '13	Jan. '11
A.E. Bragg	Deptford	Jan. 14	May '07
Talbot Crosbie	L.O.W.	April '13	Dec. '06
Miss S. Tugander	London		April '08
Rev. W. J. Tunbridge	Birkenhead	Nov. '13	Jan. '08
Miss E. Taylor	Clapham	Nov. '13	April '09
F.G. Rendell	Chiswick	Jan. '14	March '08
W.F. Bird	Ashby	May '13	April '07
M. Brown	Brockley	Feb. '13	April '09
J.H. Harley	St. Pancras		May '07

Referred for Committee's decision:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
J. O'Grady, M.P.	Finsbury	1898	5/- 17.0.7
G. Lothe	India	1900	15/- 28.9.09
C.A. Randall	Normanton	1911	5/ 10.1.11.
D.B. Thomas	Hammersmith	1907	£1.1s. 7.6.10.
G.W. Townshend	India	1907	10/- 21.1.09.

Meeting, Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup> 1914

Present. H. Snell (in chair) Mrs Webb, Dodd & Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.
- (2) Membership. July candidates (23) were elected. Last year (11)
- (3) Joint Committee of the S.F.P. & Fabian Society.

The following Report was received & adopted.

Meeting June 23 1914.

Present: W.C. Anderson (in chair), H. Dubery, J. Mylles, & F. Johnson (I.L.P.); Mrs. Webb, C.M. Lloyd, E.R. Pease, H. Snell & W. Stephen Sanders (F.S.).

(a) Socialist Unity Demonstrations:

The following Report of Receipts & Expenditure of the Kingsway Hall was submitted:

Receipts	£	s.	d.	Expenditure
Tickets sold. I.L.P.	19.	1.	6.	Fire of Hall,
F.S.	18.	8.	0.	Printing,
B.S.P.	12.	11.	0.	Advertising,
Deficit	9.	15.	9.	Postage,
	£59	16.	3.	&c. &c. £59. 16. 3.

The Reports on the provincial Demonstrations reported to be still incomplete.

(b) Educational Classes, 1914-15:

Scheme was submitted for carrying on the classes during 1914-15 including the appointment of local organisers who were to receive a small honorarium for their services. The scheme was adopted.

(c) United Socialist Council:

The question of the continuance of the Joint Committee after the United Socialist Council was discussed but it was decided to adjourn consideration of the matter until after the constitution of the proposed Council had been agreed to.

(4) Shaw Lectures.

(a) It was decided to recommend that the following be chairmen at the Shaw lectures, and that the list be submitted to Shaw.

(b) It was decided to circularize from the Court Directory and to put a preliminary announcement in the New Statesman.

(5) International Socialist Congress.

(a) It was decided that the contents of a circular with regard to travelling to Vienna & cost thereof, sent out by the British section of the Int: Soc: Bureau be communicated to delegates of the Society.

(b) Application to be a delegate was received by from Miss Sime Seruya. Decided she be informed that the list is full.

(6) Grant to Univ: Soc: Federation.

Letter was read from the Federation declining grant of £10. Received.

(7) Accrington Parliamentary Labour Candidature.

Request from the Accrington Labour Party was

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received requesting that the Society consider the possibility of supplying a Labour candidate. Agreed that the request be declined.

(8) Verbatim Report of the International Socialist Congress. Letter was received from Int: Soc: Bureau asking the Society to consider proposal to print verbatim Report of the proceedings of the Vienna Congress in English and giving estimates of cost. Decided to recommend that the proposal be rejected.

(9) Various.

(a) Letter from anti-Norman Angell Society, offering lecture. Declined

(b) Letter from Russian Soc: Dem: Labour Party, asking for representative to attend dinner. Referred to Ex: Com:

(c) Circular from Central Labour College asking for a representative to attend a general meeting. Declined.

(d) Letter from Womens Int: Council of Socialist & Labour Orgns asking for exchange of tracts on Womens Questions.

H. Hill Agreed

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Meeting 25. Tothill St Westminster August 11<sup>th</sup>

Present. Mr<sup>s</sup> Webb, Dodd, Lloyd, Pease & Sanders.

Instructions were given with regard to  
wall papers for rooms, counter for office etc,  
and for obtaining tender for electric lighting.

Membership August candidates (20) were elected last year (8)

Meeting, 25 Tophill Street, August 21<sup>st</sup> 1914.

Present. Mr. Webb, Harben, Lloyd Sanders. Notes

It was agreed to accept the tender of  
J. R. Court to carry out Electric Lighting  
work for £27.12.0.

Further instructions were given for papers  
& painting



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Meeting 25 Tophill Street, September 8<sup>th</sup> 1914

Present. Mrs Webb, Snell Sanders.

It was agreed to accept the following tenders:

Bellius. Supplying & fixing Counter and altering  
Stallboard. £10.

Finishing shop in white enamel £3.15.0.

G Wragge Lt<sup>d</sup> Supplying & fixing Bronze Letters  
"Fabian Society" £5. 11. 6.

Instructions were given with regard to painting  
shop front, stair treads &c &c.

Meeting 25, Tophill Street, September 21<sup>st</sup> 1914

Present. Mr<sup>o</sup> Webb & Sanders.

Linoleum It was agreed to accept the tender of Messrs Shoolbred for Linoleum for rooms, shop & stairs re as follows:-

4 rooms on third floor and third landing to be laid with Nairs X quality @  $1/4\frac{1}{2}$ d. per sq. yard.

4 rooms on second floor, 2 rooms on first floor, first and second landings and first, second and third half-landings, one W.C., stairs where nosings are fixed, Ground floor, front office, back lobby, with Nairs B. quality @  $2/3\frac{1}{2}$ d. per sq. yard.

Stair linoleum where no nosings are fixed, at  $1/8$ d. per yard.

Brass nosings on third landing, third half-landing, second landing, second half-landing, W.C. and back lobby, at  $1/3$ d. per foot.

It was decided not to cover the floor of the Hall for the present.

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Meeting October 1<sup>st</sup> 1914. 25 Tophill Street

Present. Mrs Webb, Sanders, Snell, Harben.

Fittings

It was decided to get price for bookcase to be placed behind counter & for a screen at end of show

Heating.

It was decided to have a gas stove for heating water<sup>r</sup> in basement and a radiator in show and back room, first floor. It was agreed that coal fire should be used in other rooms, & that a coal cellar be constructed in the basement. The hall to be heated by a stove.

Meeting October 5<sup>th</sup> 1914 Tohill St.

Present. Mrs Webb, Sanders, Dodd, Starben  
& Lloyd.

Fittings. It was decided to have a short  
bookcase behind counter; proposed  
screen at back of shop was not  
approved; adjourned for further proposals.

Lavatory Accom<sup>ts</sup>. It was decided to get price for  
fixing basins in two W.C's.

Cleaning. It was decided that endeavour be  
made to get a suitable single  
woman caretaker to reside on  
premises.

Meeting Thursday) October 15<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present: Snell (in chair) M<sup>rs</sup> Webb, Lloyd, Dodd, Sanders & M<sup>rs</sup> Reeves.

(1) Minutes of six previous meetings were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership September & October candidates (8 & 5 respectively) were elected. Last year 2 & 10.

(3) Course of Lectures by Bernard Shaw:

(a) Report was received showing Receipts to Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> were about £180 and estimated Expenditure about £225. It was estimated that sales of tickets before the course begins and during its progress might come to another £200, but it is pointed out that owing to the abnormal condition of things no reliable estimate can be arrived at. The total expenditure will be about £230 of which about £60 (mainly for postage and envelopes) has been paid. ~~The total receipts up to Thursday, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> amount to about £212. At the present rate of sale the cost of lectures will be covered before the first night, but there is not likely to be much surplus, if any).~~

(b) As the paying audience will not fill more than about one third of Kingsway Hall it was decided to offer a number of free seats to members and to London teachers, the offer to be made in such a way as to affect the sale of tickets as little as possible.

(4) New Offices:

- (a) A Report was received that up to date the cost of removal from Clement's Inn and of furnishing and fitting new premises was about £112. Further expenditure would be necessary for heating the Hall, furnishing Common Room, etc., etc.; £51 had been promised towards this but £50 would not be received before next March.

It was decided that an appeal for £250 should be issued with the November "News" and members should be invited to contribute articles of furniture.

- (b) Caretaker: It was decided that it would be advisable to have a resident caretaker who would be responsible for keeping the premises clean, etc., and who should be provided with assistance in cleaning when necessary. It was agreed that Mrs. Herbert be appointed resident caretaker at a weekly 14/- with room, light and coal.

- (c) Window Cleaning: It was decided that the windows should be cleaned by contract at the rate of 6/- per month.

(5) Transference of Bank etc

Formal resolution transferring Bank etc from Law Courts Branch to Paxton House Branch London County re Bank was passed

Emil Davies

5th Nov. 1914

Meeting Thursday November 5<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. Davies (in chair) Dodd, Irvine Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Apologies were received from Mrs Webb Lloyd.
- (3) Membership. November candidates (22) were elected; last year (26).
- (4) Lectures Receipts were reported to be £316 to date; Expenditure (est.) £240; Surplus est. £76. Literature sold at two Lectures £4.12.8.
- (5) New Offices. (a) Appeal for Funds. It was reported that the amount received to date was £8. Mrs Shaw had promised to provide furniture for Common Room etc. It was decided to appoint Mrs Shaw, Mrs Webb & Mrs Reeves to select & purchase furniture.

(5) New Offices (cont.)

(b) Window Cleaning. It was decided to agree to amend terms of Contract from 6/- to 7/6 so as to include more windows.

(c) Terms of Letting Hall. It was agreed to recommend that the charges be: for an afternoon letting 10/6, for an evening letting £1.1.0.

(d) Caretaker. Favourable report on Mr. Herbert was received.

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(6) Meeting to be addressed by M. Vanderwelde.

It was decided to recommend that if possible a public meeting be arranged to be addressed by M. Vanderwelde and M. Verhaeren the proceeds less expenses to go to the Belgian Relief Fund.

St John G. Evans



Meeting Thursday November 19<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. Grovne (in chair) Davies & Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
- (2) Meeting to be addressed by M. Vandervelde.  
 No reply having been received from M. Vandervelde it was decided to recommend that if he is unable to consent to come, a meeting be arranged to be addressed by M. Verhaeren.
- (3) Kergway Hall Lectures  
 The following Report was received:
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| Receipts to November 19 <sup>th</sup>   | £ 363.       |
| Expenditure to date (est <sup>d</sup> ) | £ 240        |
| Surplus (est <sup>d</sup> )             | £ 123        |
| Literature sold                         | £ 13. 14. 0. |
- (4) New Offices  
 The following Report was received

(5) New Offices (cont<sup>d</sup>)

Fund for furniture &c

Cash received £49:15:0.

Promises. £52. 11. 0

In addition to the above Mr Bernard Shaw has agreed to provide furniture etc for the Common Room.

(6) Common Room: Memorandum by Sidney Webb.

The accompanying memorandum was considered and it was agreed to recommend that the suggestions contained therein be adopted with the exception of the time for the Common Room to be open and that the membership be limited. It was considered that the room should be open until ten o'clock at least.

in reply

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## FABIAN SOCIETY.

### Proposed Fabian Clubroom.

Various considerations have to be taken into account, and general support must be promptly obtained. For this purpose it is suggested:

1. That the Executive Committee invite interested members to confer with them on the subject, putting a general notice in "Fabian News," but specifically inviting by individual notice all the members of the Executives of the Women's Group, the Nursery, the Summer School Committee, the Research Department, the Social Committee and the Subject Groups, together with the Executive of the Universities Socialist Federation, the Secretaries of University and Local Societies, and of London Groups.

The following memorandum might be submitted to such a meeting.

It is suggested that (a) it is inadvisable to allocate any of the Society's funds to purposes of a social character, in which only a minority of the membership can practically share: (b) that the Executive should be relieved of Club management: and, (c) that it is desirable to widen the opportunities for taking part in Fabian administration.

For these reasons, it seems -

2. That the proposed Fabian Clubroom should have its own finances, and be under the management of its own Committee (subject to the supreme control of the Executive); and should bear its share of the repairs, rent, taxes, telephone, caretaking, cleaning, heating and lighting of 25 Tothill Street (preferably by an agreed annual payment).

There would be many advantages in opening the Clubroom, without extra payment, to all Fabian members. In view, however, of the foregoing considerations, this seems impracticable. The members of the University ~~Societies~~ Societies pay us only 1/- a year. A very large number of other members pay only 5/- or 10/- a year subscription. Many thus fell to repay the out of pocket cost that their membership entails, let alone contribute towards standing charges. The financial position of the Society is, indeed, gravely jeopardised by having taken expensive new offices at a moment when its income

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(like that of all other Societies) is seriously falling off owing to the War. It seems therefore inevitable that there must be some special payment for the Clubrooms, which the Executive Committee would otherwise have to sublet, in order to help towards the rent. We might conceivably include the use of the Clubrooms in the ordinary subscription; but it would then almost be necessary to restrict this privilege to members paying to the Society not less subscription than a guinea a year.

It seems on the whole preferable:

3. That membership of the proposed Fabian Clubrooms should be confined to those paying a separate Club subscription but this should be fixed at as low a rate as possible.

The rental value of the two rooms proposed to be assigned for this purpose seems to be £70 a year (the amount agreed for similar rooms occupied by the Research Department). To this must be added the cost of cleaning, lighting, heating, and also for additions to and maintenance of furniture (practically the whole of the initial cost of furnishing, it is assumed, will be provided out of donations). There will need to be newspapers and magazines, and some new books provided; and perhaps some attendance. Arrangements for the latter may, however, be met by profits on teas supplied. It seems:

4. That it is necessary to provide an income for the Clubroom of at least £100 a year, and preferably £125 or £150.

The question then arises at what sum the Club subscription should be put. Can we undertake, from the start, to get 250 members at 10/- a year? It seems clear that we cannot reckon on 500 at 5/- a year. Unless we can straightway enrol 250 at 10/-, it is suggested that we should have to make the subscription a guinea a year: or abandon the project.

It seems therefore:

5. That the subscription should be fixed at 10/- a year, for town and country members alike; that donations should be invited for a Book and Newspaper Fund, so that the Clubrooms may be well equipped with all Socialist publications and a certain supply of interesting new books;

*Cl. Sec*

that efforts should be made to begin with an enrolment of 250 members; that those present should be urged at once to give in their names, and personally to canvass their friends among Fabians, so that the required number be promptly made up.

It has been suggested that recruiting would be assisted if membership were made a privilege; and that it would be advisable with this view to limit the number of members to 250 in the first instance, as Original Members. Subsequent members would be admitted only on the occurrence of vacancies, and subject to approval by the Club Committee (virtually, a power to veto). Opinion on this suggestion is invited.

It has also been suggested that Club members should be allowed to bring in one non-member each as visitors when they visit the Club.

The question of hours must be considered. It is suggested that the Clubrooms can be open (a) from 10.0 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. on weekdays: (b) between 5.30 and 8.0 p.m. on any evenings on which any Fabian function is taking place in the Fabian Hall. Any further opening involves questions of providing attendance, etc.

It has been suggested, too, that it would be useful to make the N.A.O. of the I.L.P. and also the salaried organisers of the I.L.P., nearly all of these being non-Londoners - Honorary Members.

There would be many advantages in combining the Social Committee's "At Homes" to new members (towards the cost of which a grant of £5 per annum has been made), with occasional "At Homes" to the whole Society (perhaps six or eight in the year). In that case it would be to the common advantage of all sections to throw the whole house open; and this should therefore be stipulated for in any agreement with the Club Committee. All these, however, are details for the Committee, and it is accordingly suggested:

6. That a Provisional Committee of five (?) members be now elected by such of those present as expect to become members of the Club; that this Committee undertake, in consultation with the Executive, all the arrangements, including the admission of original Members; and that a general meeting of the Club members be called early in 1915 to adopt rules and elect a Committee.

Meeting, Thursday, December 10<sup>th</sup> 1914.

Present. Lloyd (in chair) Mrs Webb, Erwine, Davies,  
Dodd, Pease & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

(2) Membership

December candidates (39) were elected. Last year (58)

(3) Kingsway Hall Lectures.

The following Report was received: -

	£	s.	d.
Receipts	418	16.	0.
Expenditure & Repayments, est.	245	0.	0.
Surplus, est.	173	16.	0.

Literature sales £24.

The estimate was: Receipts £380, Expenditure £240.

(4) Belgian Meeting

The following report was received:-

(a) That M. Verhaeren had agreed to speak and to read an original poem.

(b) That the Receipts to date were £38, and Expenditure about £20.

(4) Belgian Committee <sup>Meeting</sup> (cont<sup>d</sup>)

- (o) Request was received from A. Aladin to be allowed to speak at the Meeting. Decided that there was not time for another speaker and that he be informed that he could speak on Feb. 12th, Essex Hall.

(5) Offices.

(a) The National Committee for the Prevention of Restitution was reported to have taken a tenancy of <sup>one</sup> room on the third floor. It was decided to recommend that the rent be £35. exclusive of light, heat and cleaning.

(b) The question of Rent charged to the Research Committee was raised and deferred for the attendance of E.P. Hazard, sec of the Com:

(c) New Office Fund was reported to have reached the sum of £51. 10. 0 in cash + £3. 6. 0. in promises exclusive of the promise of £50. made by Harben to be fulfilled in March, and the furniture purchased by Mrs. Shaw for the Common Room.

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(6) Special Conference to consider the position  
of the Daily Citizen

Notice was received of a special conference in London on January 8<sup>th</sup> by the Labour Party and the Trade Union Congress Parl. Com. to which the following resolution will be submitted:

"That this Joint Conference, representing the Trades Union Congress and the Labour Party, agree that in order to guarantee the continuance of 'The Daily Citizen' as an asset to the Labour Movement, a payment of a sum equivalent to 6d. per member per year towards its support should be made a condition of the affiliation of Trade Union and Socialist Societies to both the National organisations for at least three years, and that the Movement be allocated adequate representation upon the Board of Directors."

The Fabian Society is entitled to 2 delegates.

It was agreed to,

We recommend:

- (a) That Mr. Webb and Sanders be the delegates
- (b) That no instructions be given to them.

H. Snell

7 Jan 1915



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Meeting, Thursday January 7<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Present. H Snell (in chair) Mrs Well Sanders

1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed

Membership.

(a) January candidates. (27) (last year (17))  
were elected.

(b) Request was received from the Edinburgh University F.S. that the whole of the members of that Society should be permitted to become full members of the London Society for the payment of one sum of <sup>10/-</sup> per annum in place of the membership fee of 1/- per member. <sup>(It was decided to)</sup> ~~we~~ recommend that the Edinburgh U. F. S. be informed that in view of the smallness of the <sup>existing</sup> charges it cannot be reduced

(c) The Gen. Sec. was instructed to furnish a report on the payments made by University & Fabian Societies.

2) Belgian Meeting

It was reported that the total receipts from the sale of tickets and donations amounted

(3) Belgian Meeting (cont<sup>d</sup>)

to £94. 0. 6. The expenditure would probably not exceed £20. A cheque for £70. on account had been sent to M. Vandervelde. A collection at the Hall doors made on behalf of the Comité Officiel de Secours aux Victimes Belges de la Guerre realised £23. 9. 8. A letter of thanks had been received from the Comité.

(4) Common Room

The number of members who had joined or stated their intention of joining the Common Room was reported to be 78. The amount received for first year subscriptions was £18:16:6.

(5) Research Department Rent

G. P. Blyard and R. P. Arnot attended from the Research Department to request that a reduction in the charge for rent (£70) be made. It was pointed out that the Rooms allotted to the Common Room

6) Research Department Rent.

for which also £70 is to be charged, are somewhat larger than those occupied by the Research Department and that therefore the rent should not be the same. It was ~~therefore~~ decided to recommend that the rent charged to the Common Room should be £75 per annum, or the rent of the Research Department reduced to £65. per. ann.

7) Charges for heating & cleaning.

It was decided to recommend that the charges for cleaning & heating the rooms occupied by the Research Department should be as follows, based on actual cost

Cleaning per week  $\frac{3}{4}$ <sup>d</sup>  
 Heating 3<sup>d</sup> per day per fire.

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Meeting, Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Present. Mrs Webb (in chair) Dodd, Eivone Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

(2) Membership.

(a) January Candidates (7) were elected. Last year (17)

(b) Report on the financial position of the University Fabian Societies with regard to the London Society was received. It was decided to present it to the Ex: Com: with the intimation that the Finance Committee was reporting more fully and would probably make recommendations.

(c) Request was received that the names of new members of the Liverpool F.S. should be printed in Fabian News. It was agreed they be printed under the same heading as the reports from Local Societies.

(3) International Conference of Socialist Women  
letter was received from The British  
Section Women's International Council  
of Socialist Labour organizations  
suggesting a Socialist Women's Conference  
in Berne. Also request from D. L. Fairfield  
asking for instructions on the suggestion.  
Agreed that our representatives be given  
no instructions, but that if the Conference  
be held and a British delegate sent  
our representatives should not pledge  
the Fabian Society to contribute towards  
the expenses.

(4) Conference on Daily Citizen.

Invitation to a Conference on Daily  
Citizen was received to take place on  
February 24<sup>th</sup>. Agreed that the Executive  
be recommended to send two delegates  
with no instructions.

(5) Manifesto on Food Prices

letter was received from the Holders of the

(5) Manifesto on Food Prices (cont.)

suggesting that the Fabian Society should issue a manifesto on food prices. Decided that the Holders Green F.S. be referred to the Manifesto issued by the Workers National Committee.

(6) Request for Grant for Meeting.

Birmingham M.H.S. requested a grant to cover cost of a meeting to be addressed by a prominent speaker. Agreed that particulars be asked for and if satisfactory a grant of £2 be made.

(7) Appeal for Belgian Trade Unionists

Circular was received from the Parly Com: of the Trades Union Congress appealing for funds for Belgian Trade Unionists. Decided to insert gist of appeal in the "News".

(8) Conference on Food Prices.

Invitation was received to send two delegates to a London Conference on Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> on Food & Fuel prices, called by the Workers National Com.



(8) Conference on Food prices (contd)

Decided to recommend the Ex. Com. to send two delegates.

(9) Common Room.

It was reported that the number of members to date was 232.

(10) A Manifesto "The Right Moment".

As a matter of urgency a request for the issue with the Fabian News for March of a manifesto entitled "The Right Moment", sent in by Allen Cole was considered. It was decided to refer it to the Executive Committee with the appended report.

(11) Constable's Agreement

Letter was received from Messrs Constable agreeing to cancel the agreement with them to publish works issued by the Fabian Research Department.

(12) See next page

## (12) Clements Inn Rent.

Letter was received from the Clements Inn Estate requesting that rent be paid for the Fabian Offices in Clements Inn until Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>. 1914. Decided that the Clements Inn Estate be informed that we cannot be responsible for rent beyond Sept 29<sup>th</sup>, the date of our removal.

Wm G. Evans

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THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE UNIVERSITY FABIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON

THE FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE UNIVERSITY FABIAN  
SOCIETIES WITH REGARD TO THE LONDON FABIAN SOCIETY.

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The office has been instructed to Report on the financial position of the University Fabian Societies with regard to the London Fabian Society.

It has been the practice for the Executive Committee to elect all members and associates of the University Fabian Societies as full members and associates of the London Fabian Society on the understanding that the University Fabian Societies pay 1/- per annum to the London Fabian Society for each member and associate, as membership and associateship subscription. This fee is not collected by the Fabian Office from each University member and associate, the arrangement being that a sum should be paid annually by each University Fabian Society sufficient to cover all the fees due.

The present position of the various University Fabian Societies with regard to these fees is as follows:

Aberystwyth U.F.S. has paid 10/- since its formation in 1913.

Birmingham U.F.S. has paid fees up to March 31st, 1914.

Cambridge U.F.S. has not paid since 1913, when £8 15. 0. was paid for arrears. Up to March 31st, 1914, £12 was due.

Edinburgh U.F.S. has paid irregularly in odd amounts. 21/- was paid in 1914.

Glasgow U.F.S. was considerably in arrears and the Exec. Com. agreed that it should be allowed to recommence payments from last year. It now sends one shilling for every new member. Amount paid in 1914 was 26/-.

Liverpool U.F.S. has paid 31/- since 1911.

London U.F.S. paid nothing from 1911 until 1914 when 2/6  
was paid.

Manchester U.F.S. has paid since 1910 22/- in small amounts.

Oxford U.F.S. paid in 1914 fees due to March 31st, 1912.

Sheffield U.F.S. , formed in 1914. Paid 2/-.

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FABIAN SOCIETY.

*Organizing & Propaganda Committee.*

~~SUBCOMMITTEE~~ REPORT TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We have considered the ~~unsuccessful~~ application for the circulation to all the members of an address proposing changes in the Society's constitution and policy; and we submit it for consideration with the following comments.

The circulation of Manifestoes or addresses by members or groups of members has never yet been allowed. The grant of facilities for members to submit manifestoes to the whole Society was one of the propositions brought before a members' meeting in 1911, when it was referred, with the others, to a Special Committee. It was rejected by that Committee. The discussion was renewed at the Executive Committee, when the recommendation was rejected, only 2 voting for it.

It would therefore be in normal course for the present application to be refused, on the ground that it was undesirable, or even unfair, to accord to some members an opportunity of putting their case which could not practically be conceded to all, and which others had not been allowed.

We think, however, that - apart from the subject matter of the particular application which should be separately discussed - that the Executive may well consider whether our practice might not be altered in the direction desired. We do not think it advantageous that the Society should be necessarily asked to discuss its own constitution and policy, instead of carrying out its work for the time being; but it may well be desirable to allow opportunity for this, say once a year. It may be remembered that an amendment of the Basis cannot be moved except at the Annual Meeting. Nor would it be convenient to allow the Society's organisation to be used for the purpose of raising purely abstract questions, on which the members were not called upon to vote. We think, moreover, that this privilege ought not to be allowed in such a way as to give any particular section an advantage over others; or so as to involve the Society in expense.

We suggest for consideration that, if the Executive Committee should think it advisable to make the innovation, and allow the submission of manifestoes to the members, this

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should be done on the following conditions, which should be published in FABIAN NEWS.

(2/16/44)

In response to a desire which has been expressed by various members, the Executive Committee has decided, as an experiment, to afford, to members wishing it, the following facilities for submitting to all the members of the Society any proposals which it is desired to bring before the Annual Meeting: -

1. Any document for circulation must take the form of a reasoned statement in support of definite resolutions to be moved at the Annual Meeting, formal notice of these resolutions being given at the same time. If the resolutions aim at alteration of the Rules or Basis, they should be drafted with precision so as to permit of incorporation without verbal change in the constitution as printed.
2. The document must be free from personalities and from denunciation of any group or section, within the Society or without; and must not exceed in length                      words.
3. The document, together with notice of the resolutions which it is proposed to move, must be received in the office before the 23rd of February, in order to permit opportunity for notice to be given of amendments, it will normally be issued with FABIAN NEWS for April.
4. It will be open for any member to give notice before 23rd of April of any amendments which it is desired to place upon the notice paper for the Annual Meeting. Any member may submit for circulation with FABIAN NEWS for May, a reply or counter statement on the same subject, either in support of such amendment, or merely in support of the negative. Such a reply or counter statement must not exceed in length                      words.
5. The Executive Committee will, if they think fit, report to the members upon the resolution or amendments of which notice has been given, and make any comments that they consider necessary upon any statement or counter-statement, either in the same issue of FABIAN NEWS, or subsequently.
6. No expense must be thrown on the Society's funds by the circulation of any statement or counter statement, and accordingly the sum of                      which is calculated as just equivalent to the extra cost of printing, etc. must be paid when the document is handed in. If owing to several documents having to be simultaneously circulated extra postage is involved, the amount must be shared and refunded.

1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the progress of the work done during the year. It is divided into two main sections, the first dealing with the general situation and the second with the progress of the work done during the year.

2. The second part of the report deals with the results of the work done during the year. It is divided into three main sections, the first dealing with the results of the work done during the year, the second with the results of the work done during the year, and the third with the results of the work done during the year.

3. The third part of the report deals with the conclusions drawn from the results of the work done during the year. It is divided into two main sections, the first dealing with the conclusions drawn from the results of the work done during the year, and the second with the conclusions drawn from the results of the work done during the year.

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Meeting, Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1915.

Present. Ervine (in chair) Wodd & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.

(2) Membership March candidates, 24, were elected; last year, 61.

(3) Date of Members Meeting. The Gen. Sec: reported that an error in date of Members Meeting had been discovered too late to be corrected in Fabian News. He had arranged to postcard all members giving correct date and proposed to pay part of cost himself. It was agreed to recommend that the whole cost be met by the Society.

(4) National Conference on Food & Fuel Prices  
It was decided to appoint Mr Reeves as delegate and to instruct the Gen. Sec: to secure two other delegates if possible

(5) Common Room

It was reported that the membership was  
now 310.

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Meeting, April 15<sup>th</sup> 1915. Thursday

Present H. Snell (in chair) Mrs. Webb Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed.
- (2) Apologies . None.
- (3) Membership (a) April candidates (23); last year (20) were elected  
(b) 50 Resignations were dealt with.  
All were accepted excepting:  
Richard Whiting & A. Leonard to be asked to withdraw their resignations;  
also A. M. Waddington.  
Dover Wilson to be asked to become an associate.
- (4) National Conference on War Service for Women  
Invitation to send delegates to this Conference called by the Workers National Committee was received. The Women's Group having decided to send delegates no action was taken.

(5) London Labour Party

Invitation to send in nominations for temporary secretary was received. Decided to take no action.

(6) Annual Conference

It was decided to hold the Annual Conference on Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Fabian Hall, that a social gathering be arranged for the evening of the same day.

(7) Scrutineers for Executive Committee Election

It was decided to propose Hartkinson & Ivor Brown as scrutineers.

(8) Correspondence

(a) From Women's Labour League on Russian no action.

(b) Fred Knee Recognition Fund. Report to Ex. Com:

B. W. M.

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Resignations.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
Mrs. Riddle	Blackheath	1907.5/-	17/3/14.	None.
A. Statham	Derby	1911.10/-	2/4/12.	None.
J.D. Feeley	Chiswick	1910.5/-	21/5/12.	Out of sympathy
C.G. Gumpel)	Beckenham	1902.£1.1.	12/4/12.	Other
Mrs. Gumpel)		1909.5/-.	4/5/11.	interests.
A.W. Waddington	Mirfield	1895.7/6d.	6/7/14.	None.
R.Meynell Pearson	Hindhead	1912.10/6.	25/3/13.	No use.
C.H. Pratt.	Ealing	1907.10/-.	19/4/13.	None.
Miss E.K. Pratt	Stourbridge Park.	1910.5/-.	14/11/11.	Suffrage.
Miss A. Hurlbatt	Christchurch	1907.10/-.	23/3/14.	None.
W.G. Pearson.	Hastings	1908.20/-.	10/8/14.	Vague.
Miss E.McGuinness	Clapham	1908.2/6.	21/11/10.	None.
G.N. Eaves	Banbury	1908.10/-.	11/3/12.	None.
Rev.L.M. Power	U.S.A.	1906.20/-.	15/7/12.	War.
W.J. Torrance	Parkstone	1914.5/-.	28/3/14.	War.
Mrs. W.C. Burns	Brook Green	1910.7/6.	23/3/15.	Out of <i>love</i> .
H. Burroughes	Wimbledon	1908.10/-	1/2/12.	None.
Miss G.D. Hague	Trowbridge	1911.4/-.	10/3/15.	None.
Miss E.L.L. Langlois.	Bristol	1912.5/-.	29/6/14.	None.
A. Hickmott	Sevenoaks	1892.10/-.	9/1/14.	Poverty.
Miss E. Smith	Crouch End	1910.	£2.24/2/15.	Leaving Eng.
Arthur Leonard	Conway	1897.10/-.	11/3/14.	Poverty.
Miss M. Walker.	Mitham	1911.7/6.	1/12/13.	Poverty.
R. Mayer	City	1910.	£1.4/6/12.	Gone abroad.
Miss E.C. Ord	Strand	1907.£1.	20/4/14.	None.
W.H. Fairbairns	Enfield	1914.£1.	12/1/14.	None.
W.W. Crotch	Twickenham	1897.10/-.	5/3/13.	No time.
W. H. Senneck	Streatham	1909.10/-.	29/12/11.	Changed views.
Miss E.C. Russell.	Ealing	1911.10/-.	12/5/14.	None.
A.M. Hucart	Oxford	1904.10/-.	3/1/14.	None.
J. Dover Wilson	Leeds	1906.£1.1.5/1.	1/14.	Changed views.
H.F.S. Kings	Charlton	1914.5/-.	27/5/14.	Out of sympathy.
G.E. Vulliamy	Hereford	1913.£1.	.5/2/14.	do.
Rev. W.L. Schroeder.	Halifax	1908.7/6.	1/4/14.	None.
E. T. Dana	U.S.A.	1910.£1.	27/1/14.	Other interests.
Miss E. Ross	Golders Green	1905.5/-.	19/3/14.	No interest.
E.H. Grout	East Ham	1908.5/-.	19/4/13.	Poverty.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
J. Behrend	Hampstead	1909. £4.	2/1/14.	None.
Mrs. Vaughan	Adelphi	1908. 10/6.	3/7/14.	War.
M. Ferguson	Croydon	1906. £1.	18/12/14.	None.
Miss M. George	Chelsea	1909. 6/-	29/11/12.	None.
Miss M. Coutts	Edinburgh	1910. 5/-	20/11/13.	Local Society.
T.A. Hallowell	Wallington	1907)		
Mrs. Hallowell	do,	1909)	£1.1.29.11.13.	Going abroad.
Rev. W. Potter	British Columbia	1913. 10/-	17/11/13.	Travelling.
Richard Whiteing	Golders Green	1902. 30/-	£1.1.27/1/13.	Retiring.
Miss C. Brandon	Blackheath	1909. 7/6.	11/11/12.	None.
R. Owen Naylor	Strand	1913. 13/-	15/12/13.	Joined Army.
Miss B. Hooke	Milbank	1903 5/-	6/3/14.	War
G. C. Cope	Radlett	1914 £2.	20/3/15.	Cannot attend.

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Meeting of Committee May 6<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Members of Committee 1915-16.

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J. Lawson Dodd.

J. John G. Ervine.

Dr. L. W. Fairfield.

Miss C. Smith.

A. Snell

Mrs. Sidney Webb

E. R. Pease

W<sup>m</sup> Stephen Sanders.

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Meeting May 6<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Present M<sup>r</sup> Sidney Webb (in chair) Davis, Dodd,  
Squire & Sanders.

- (1) Chairman pro tem: M<sup>r</sup> Webb was appointed.
- (2) Minutes of the previous meeting were read & confirmed.
- (3) Chairman: M<sup>r</sup> Webb was elected chairman.
- (4) Day of Meeting: It was decided that the Committee meet on Thursdays.

(5) Membership

- (a) May candidates (12) were elected. Last year (25)
- (b) List of ex-members of University Fabian Societies who have not replied to letter requesting them to join the (List 103, appended) London Fabian Society was considered and it was decided to recommend that they be removed from the membership list.
- (c) List of members whose addresses are unknown was submitted & it was

(5) Membership (cont<sup>d</sup>)

(c) (cont<sup>d</sup>) decided to recommend that they be suspended from the membership roll. List appended. (114)

(d) Resignations. It was reported that Richard Whiting & A Leonard had withdrawn their resignations.

(6) Proposed Course of Lectures by Bernard Shaw, Mrs Webb & Sidney Webb.

It was decided to recommend that a course of six lectures under the general title of ~~the~~ "The World after the War" be given at the King's Hall, Covent Garden, on Tuesdays, October 26th, November 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th. Each lecturer to give two lectures. The subjects of the lectures to be as follows:-

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| (1) The Illusions of War.  | Bernard Shaw. |
| (2) The War and the Spirit of Revolt.                                  | Mrs. Webb.    |
| (3) The War and the Control of Capital.                                | Sidney Webb.  |
| (4) The War and Poverty.   | Mrs. Webb.    |
| (5) The Re-grouping of the State<br>of the World.                      | Bernard Shaw. |
| (6) The Supernational Council and the<br>machinery for preventing war. | Sidney Webb   |

The following were suggested as possible chairmen: -  
E. Vandervelde, Lord Bryce, Crabville Barker, Arnold Bennett, George Trevelyan, Bertrand Russell, Arthur Henderson, J. A. Hobson, Edward Carpenter, Miss Mary Macarthur, Miss Jane Harrison.

The arrangements for advertising, tickets, etc. to be similar to those in connection with previous courses at King's Hall.

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List of Ex-University Students who have not replied to circular asking them to subscribe to the Society and retain membership.

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Manchester U.F.S.

Name	Date of joining Univ. Soc.
Arthur Fulton	May, 1912
Albert Farmer	June, 1912.
Duncan Fairley	May, 1912
H. J. Ellis	May, 1912
E. C. Edgar	May, 1912
A. Lawton Doyle	January, 1910
J. H. Doughty	December, 1909
N. H. Davison	May, 1912
Margery Crewe	February, 1913
J. A. Clayton	May, 1912
J. S. C. Chambers	May, 1912
H. Buckley	May, 1912
W. B. Brierley	May, 1912
S. Brandt	April, 1914
Miss Mary Benson	December, 1909
W. M. Watkins,	June, <del>2023</del> 1912
Arthur Walsh	May, 1910
D. G. Stiebel	June, 1912
Miss C. E. Stewart	June, 1912
Miss Riley	May, 1912
Miss Olive Pearson	May, 1912
David Pearson	May, 1912
Henry D. Nichols	December, 1909
H. L. Milner	May, 1912
G. H. Marshall	January, 1910
Hartley Lupton	February, 1913
John Lowe	May, 1912
F. Lees	May, 1912
Jas. H. Hudson	January, 1910
Edward Hope	March, 1913
D. T. Harris	May, 1912
D. H. Shepherd	June, 1912
James Shelley	June, 1912
H. W. Scholes	June, 1912
Lawrence Redfern	May, 1912

Cambridge U.F.S.

Name	Date of joining Univ. Soc.
John L. howson	January, 1913
Francis W. Buckler	November, 1912
Miss F. A. Sargent	December, 1911
Miss S. S. Fairhurst	December, 1908
Humphrey E. Evans	December, 1910
Miss M. Dutt	April, 1911
W. B. Copeland	March, 1912
R. H. Compton	April, 1911
Geoffrey Clayton	December, 1911
Ivan Chrouschoff	December, 1910
Miss M. K. Brandebourg	December, 1909
Sidney J. Duly	January, 1912
D. A. Saunder	November, 1912
Miss A. M. Young	May, 1912
Miss H. Agnes Taylor	March, 1912
Miss E. M. Smith	March, 1911
Bemala Kauta Sarkal	November, 1911
L. C. Robertson	March, 1912
Miss Kate M.S. Robertson	December, 1910
D. H. Peacock	June, 1909
Miss E. H. Paterson	December, 1910
Miss H. E. Oyler	December, 1912
L. J. Mordell	May, 1912
Hugh M. McCrossan	December, 1910
A. A. Lowy	December, 1909
David Leacock	March, 1912
H. Lang,	November, 1912
H. T. Horrox	March, 1910
Miss Georgina Horsfall	January, 1913
Miss A. A. Hentsch	August, 1911
A. E. Heath	<del>Dec. 08</del>
Albert F. W. Hall	December, 1914
Geoffrey J. Gomme	June, 1909

Glasgow

James Bell	April, 1907
Henry S. Banks	December, 1908
Berry Douglas Berry	December, 1907
G. W. Blair	April, 1910
Thomas A. Blake	February, 1911
Alex. H. Bodin	February, 1911
Walter G. Cook	January, 1908
James M. Hill	December, 1908
James Jack	March, 1908
Malcolm Lanson	December, 1908
Robert McEwan	December, 1908

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Name	Date of joining University Soc.
Wm. L. Mc.Kinlay	April, 1907
Joseph H. Maxwell	January, 1908
Harvey H. Montgomerie	June, 1909
W. C. H. Neill	July, 1912
G. D. Nisbet	December, 1908
Miss Ada Reid	December, 1909
Alexander Scott	December, 1909
Miss Mary Sprunt	February, 1911
Miss J. B. French	January, 1909
Egerton C. White	February, 1911
B. K. N. Wyllie	December, 1907

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Edinburgh

James Millar	December, 1912
John G. Laing	December, 1912
McIntosh (John)	February, 1909
John Nisbet	December, 1910
A. M. Williams	November, 1910
J. Tamin	November, 1913
George Syme	March, 1912
Miss E. H. Scott	November, 1913
John Robertson	November, 1910
Miss M. E. Green	November, 1911
Andrew Buchan Dea	November, 1910
Miss Dorothy Court	January, 1911
P. N. Berry	December, 1912

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Members whose addresses are unknown.

Name	Last Address	Letter retd.	Elected	Sub.
C.P. Blatchley	Golders Green	1/1/15	1907	10/-
J. Brandwood	Bury	4/1/15	1905	10/-
Miss A.S. Boyle	Islington	Aug. 14	1913	10/-
Miss Kathleen Brown	Doncaster	2/10/14	1912	5/-
F.P. Casey	Dublin	5/1/15	1913	10/-
Miss H. Collar	Lewisham	--	1906	5/-
M.E. Frankenstein	Hampstead	4/3/13	1909	£1
Jas. Green	S. Kensington	1/1/15	1912	5/-
Miss Daisy Halling	Manchester	10/8/14	1907	5/-
Miss M.R. Hammond	Ipswich	6/5/14	1908	1/6d
A. Heasman	Borbury	5/1/15	1912	5/-
A.B. Harrison	Crouch End	6/7/14	1907	5/-
Miss L.A. Howell	Cardiff	5/2/15	1909	10/-
Miss B. Kauffmann	Roundsditch	4/3/15	1908	5/-
Rev. E.G.E. Kirtlan	Hove	6/7/14	1901	5/-
Miss G. Larner	Suffolk	--	1893	5/-
W.A. Lockley	Birmingham	1/12/14	1913	3/-
Miss I. Logan	Westminster	2/10/14	1908	10/-
D. McIntyre	Stratford	15/2/15	1908	7/6
H.C.C. Murray	Portland	3/11/14	1906	10/6
F.H. Minnett	Hammersmith	3/7/14	1908	2/6
O.H. Viggers	Benares	--	1904	6/-
Ubolds Trioca	Turin	June, 1913	1910	15/-
J. Dalby	Warrington	16/8/4	1909	5/-
Miss L.R. Andrews	Coulsdon	8/2/15	1912	8/-
S.F. Weeks	Montreal	15/4/12	1909	10/-
H.J. Barnard	Hampstead	1/7/14	1908	5/-
W. Bell	Islington	9/10/14	1908	£1. 1s.
H. Beckton	Chiswick	4/4/14	1910	10/-
E. Batchelor	Manchester Sq.	4/4/14	1910	£2
C.G. Barnstable	Blackheath	Oct. 13	1911	5/-
A. Barr	Worcester	3/5/12	1910	5/-
H.H. Pollen	Loughton	8/7/14	1913	£1. 8s.
F.C. Greene	Ealing	15/7/14	1908	21/-
F.M. Gradner	Sidcup	Aug. 1914	1908	10/-
F.W. Harley	Palmers Green	15/5/13	1909	10/-
Miss A. Melvin	Finchley	--	1911	10/-
Mrs. Musters	Regent's Park	7/11/14	1909	21/-
F. Morton	City	4/4/14	1906	7/6
W. Moon	Harrow	6/8/12	1905	10/-
W.W. Hoodie	St. Leonards	7/1/15	1913	10/-
Miss S. Milstone	Pimlico	--	1908	10/-

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Name	Last Address	Letter ret'd.	Elected	Sub.
Miss Oswald	Bradford	June 1912	1909	5/-
Miss C.H.Parker	Wiltshire	5/8/13	1910	5/-
W.H.Perkins	Leeds	7/7/14	1908	5/-
C.G.J.Read	Devon	5/8/13	1907	15/-
S.T.Robson	City	2/1/15	1910	5/-
D.Robinson	Ebrighton	5/2/15	1905	10/-
C.P.Robertson	Camden Town	Aug. 1914	1913	5/-
André Ripert	Paris	13/1/14	1911	10/6
Miss A.G. Richards	Cardiff	3/1/15	1908	5/-
Miss G. Rhodes	Lewisham	4/7/14	1908	10/-
R.W.Pringle	Richmond	20/11/13	1905	10/6
Miss I.Seymour	Winchfield	10/1/13	1909	5/-
C.A.Widlake	Bristol	Aug. 1914	1911	2/6
Mrs. Symons	Calcutta	4/11/13	1909	10/-
G.E.F.Lewis	Eleonsbury	7/2/13	1910	10/-
Miss G.Lewis	Blodonsbury	7/2/13	1910	10/-
C.E.F.Lewis	Erockley	4/3/14	1908	5/-
Miss N.Lickes	Cricklewood	4/11/13	1913	2/6
C.Macmillan	United States	7/3/11	1899	10/-
Miss Molyneux	Baling	3/3/14	1913	5/-
J.Oppenheim	Kew	8/7/13	1911	21/-
<del>T.Crawford</del>				
E.W.Hardy	Shetland	2/4/14	1910	10/-
W.Loftus Hare	Derby	5/5/14	1908	5/-
J.A.McHicol	Finsbury Park	2/12/13	1907	5/-
W.D.Roberts	Swansea	7/7/13	1908	5/-
Miss E.G.Porter	Tooting	6/5/13	1907	5/-
W.J.Pince	Bloomsbury	5/2/14	1913	10/6
H.L.Hird	Glasgow	Aug. 1914	1908	5/-
C.B.Hooper	Streatham Hill	3/7/14	1907	10/6
W.Hutchinson	Ilkley	5/3/14	1891	10/6
C.C.Elderton	Bloomsbury	Aug. 14	1911	7/6
Miss K...Coyle	Westminster	--	1912	5/-
Miss J. Cornwall	Islington	3/11/13	1913	5/-
C.H.G.Campbell	Bloomsbury	2/10/14	1909	21/-
Miss Mary Butts	Hampstead	3/2/14	1910	5/-
W.W.Brayton	City	4/3/13	1906	6/6
Mrs. C.P.Blatchley	Golders Green	3/11/14	1908	10/-
Miss S.P.Biggs	Stroud Green	2/5/13	1908	5/-
H.E.Bentham	Croydon	2/7/14	1910	11/-
Mrs. W.Bell	Islington	9/10/14	1908	31/-
J.Sachse	Golders Green	3/11/14	1914	10/-
Miss A. Rose	Durban	April 13.	1911	5/-
Miss J.H.Sloan	Finsbury Park	2/10/14	1912	5/-
J.Stocker	Upminster	Aug. 14	1906	10/-
D.Stocker	Brighton	3/11/14	1912	21.1s.

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Name	Last Address	Letter ret'd.	Elected	Sub.
Mrs. V. Taubman-Goldie	Kensington	7/1/15	1911	) 26
V. Taubman-Goldie	do.	do.	do.)	
Miss A.L. Thomson	Garlockhead	Aug. 14	1908	5/-
Rev. S.C. Tickell	Bloomsbury	Aug. 14	1913	5/-
Mrs. Toyne )				
F.H. Toyne )	Temple	7/7/13	1907	5/-
Miss M.C. Keston	Clapham	Aug. 14	1909	7/6
E.A.H. Lloyd	Stockwell	March 14	1909	10/-
Miss L. Warren	Bickley	2/5/13	1907	5/-
C.W.H. Weaver	Croydon	4/12/14	1914	5/-
H.E. Weaver	Wealdstone	Aug. 14	1906	10/6
R.F. Rettray	Cambridge U.S.A.	1/11/13	1909	-
F. Hudson	Doncaster	8/6/14	1907	5/-
Miss E.C.F. Rose	Thame	March 12	1911	2/6
Pope Pax	Regent Sq	5/8/13	1909	10/6
J.C. Pearce	Clapham	April 13	1912	5/-
Miss A.M. Rose	Thame	March 12	1911	3/6
E.T. Robinson	Barry	23/4/13	1896	5/-
W. Zuch	Bermondsey	6/6/12	1910	5/-
F.J. Sloper	W. Norwood	3/3/14	1909	10/-
D. Shtern	Hackney	4/11/13	1910	5/-
F.G. Rose	Belgravia	10/1/13	1911	10/-
H.C. Reynolds	Wolverhampton	8/5/12	1908	10/-
A. Holden	Birmingham	5/2/14	1899	5/-
Mrs. Presstie	N. Devon	--	1909	5/-
Miss H.M. Richards	Clapham Con.	3.11.14	1907	5/-
Miss C.B. Hooper	Streatham Hill	3.7.14	1907	10/6
Miss M. Procter	Chelsea	7.6.12	1909	5/-



Meeting, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1915.

Present. Mr. Webb (in chair) Doad, Snell, J. Fairfield,  
Miss E. Smith, Sanders.

(1) Minutes of previous meeting were confirmed

(2) Membership

(a) New Members June candidates (8) were  
elected; last year (15)

(b) Resignations. List appended was  
considered and it was decided  
that Miss Biggs, J. W. Goodchild,  
F. E. Madleton be asked to remain  
members; the others were accepted.

(c) Members to have final notice. List appended  
was considered & it was agreed that  
notices be sent.

3) Annual Conference!

(a) Chairman. It was agreed that Miss  
Lawrence be appointed chairman.

(b) At Home. It was reported that the (Common)

(3) Annual Conference (cont<sup>d</sup>)

(b) At Home (cont<sup>d</sup>) Room Committee had arranged details

(4) Stings Hall Lectures.

(a) It was reported that the hall had been booked.

(b) The securing of chairman was left to Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Webb. Lord Haldane & J. Salsworthy were added to the list of possible chairmen.

(5) Oxford University F.S.

Letters were received from the ex-acting treasurer of the Oxford U. F. S. & from Stanley J. Rypins stating that it had been decided that the University F. S. should become the Oxford U. S. S. & that a number of members of this new Society wished to form an Oxford U. Fabian Group on the same basis financially & otherwise as the late Oxford U. F. Society.

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(5) Oxford University F.S. (cont<sup>d</sup>)

It was decided to recommend that the  
Oxford Fabian Group members should be  
permitted to become members of the London  
F.S. on the same terms as the members  
of University Fabian Societies.

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1870  
The first of the year  
was a very cold one  
and the snow lay  
on the ground for  
many days.

1871

The second of the year  
was a very warm one  
and the snow melted  
very early in the  
spring. The weather  
was very pleasant  
and the crops were  
very good.

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Resignations.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
J. W. Price	Maldstone	1908	10/- 8/7/13	None
J. W. Goodchild	Wanstead	1914	10/- 13/1/14	None
D. C. Biggs	Harley Street	1912	5/- 19/3/14	None
H. L. Ould	Herne Hill	1908	20/- 8/6/15	None
W. Mellor	Westminster	1907	Oxford U.F.S.	Disagrees
H. Herz	St. Pancras	1913	20/- 1/11/13	Going Abroad
F. E. Middleton)	Letchworth	1914	5/- 4/6/14 )	Poverty
Mrs. Middleton )			5/- 4/6/14 )	
Mrs. F. Stephens	Putney	1914	5/- 31/3/14	None

Members to have final Notice.

H. Lavender	Esher	1906	5/- 18/12/09
J. C. Hilton	Devonshire	1908	10/- 29/8/13
R. H. Nathan	Johannesburg	1912	£1.1.19.2.12
Wm. Hoare	Eltham	1908	£1.1.20/3/12
F. N. Hoare	Wandsworth Common	1907	5/- 24/10/12
J. H. Greenwood	Temple	1908	10/- 4/5/10
Miss F. B. Smith	Hassocks	1908	5/- 1/11/11
W. A. Hudson	Sidcup	1910	5/- 9/3/10
Mrs. W. W. Jacobs	Loughton	1908	5/- 10/9/11
A. T. Stevens	Stratford	1908	8/- 11/9/11
F. P. Stewart	Houghton-le-Spring	1902	7/6 8/11/10
J. B. Strachey	Hampstead	1908	21/- 26/2/10
H. W. F. Hyndman	Kensington	1907	10/- 17/5/09
Mrs. Oscar Faber	Croydon	1911	5/- 10/5/11
H. Houston	Sidcup	1908	5/- 26/7/10
Miss M. C. Hodgson	Hampstead	1911	5/- 6/5/11
Mrs. M. Rose	Thame	1911	2/6 18/5/11
Mrs. H. Popham	Regents Square	1906	£1 16/6/09
A. Colls	Bedford	1909	5/- 8/6/10
R. M. Hewitt	Halifax	1905	1/- 9/12/05
H. A. Burge	Manchester	1910	5/- 13/2/11
H. H. Sparling	Finchley	1907	10/- 10/11/11
Miss M. Whiteford	Ludlow	1908	5/- 16/1/11
J. R. Jones	Carnarvon	1908	2/6 5/3/10

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
P. W. Kolthamma	Stockport	1905	5/- 7/5/10
Miss V.V. Matthews	Bayswater	1910	10/- 1/3/10
Seymour Marks	London Bridge	1909	15/- 30/5/10
C. Cannell	Mill Hill	1907	10/- 6/8/09
T.M. Williams	Doncaster	1908	2/6 7/9/11
T. Crawford	Finchley	1909	5/- 1/7/10
A. Hickmore	Ramsgate	1909	10/6 22/1/10
A. Miller	Campan	1906	5/- 1/12/11
Miss H. Marsh	New York	1907	15/- 22/8/10
Miss M. Ryan	Kensington	1906	10/- 19/10/11
R. S. Potter	Philadelphia	1908	10/6 6/1/10
Miss Morice	S. Australia	1911	5/- 26/10/11
A.H.M. Robertson	Admiralty	1907	5/- 2/8/10
R.A. Wolstenholme	Hampstead	1909	7/- 2/3/11
Rev. Sydney Hooper	Paddington	1912	15/- 1/3/12
F. Goodyear	Finchley	1910	10/- 11/10/10
E.H. Harris	Brockley	1907	5/- 20/9/12
H. H. Greenwood	Cricklewood	1911	12/6 28/9/11

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Meeting, Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Present. Mrs. Webb (in chair) Squire, Doad, Miss  
Smith & Sanders.

(1) Minutes of the previous meeting were read and  
confirmed.

(2) Membership

(a) July candidates. 22 were elected;  
one Miss Edith Swift was referred to the  
Ex. Com:

(b) 9 Resignations (as per list) were  
accepted

(c) 165 members were ordered to receive  
final letter (list app.)

(d) additional membership. The  
following references from the Executive  
Committee were considered:

- (i) Steps be taken when next we reprint, to make Application Form less repellent and more seductive;
- (ii) Notices in FABIAN NEWS should make country members and associates aware of their postal advantages in respect of the Lending Library and (if the offer is extended to individuals) also of Book Boxes.

(2) Membership (Continued)

On I it was decided to ask Webb to prepare a new application form.

On II it was decided to include this in a general announcement in the autumn.

(3) Tabian Hall

(a) Design & estimate for Notice Board was received & ordered to be submitted to Bernard Shaw.

Squire promised to see if old board used at 10 Gt. Queen St. was available.

(b) Letter to Societies announcing terms of letting was agreed to.

(c) It was agreed that title of Hall be not changed.

(4) Lectures under auspices of Groups in Tabian Hall.

It was reported that the Research Dept., Women's Group, Nursery Education Group had been invited to arrange for six lectures each



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to be given in the Hall next autumn & winter, each group to arrange one lecture per month.

5) Kings Hall lectures.

It was reported that syllabus had been received & was in printer's hands.

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Membership.

Resignations.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason.</u>
H. Gardner	New Cross	191L £1	11/9/14	None.
R. B. James	Norfolk	1906.10/-	4/6/15	None.
Mrs. M. Hills	Hampstead	1908. 5/-	18/6/15	None.
Miss W. Holland	Bedford Coll.	1913. 2/6	3/11/13	Changed views.
D. Williams	Earlestown	1895. 7/6	30/11/11	None.
Mrs. Henley-Jones	Melton Mowbray	1907. 30/-	29/6/15	Changed views.
Percy Rogers	Eastbourne	1912. 5/-	23/1/14	None.
Mrs. D. Thornycroft	Hampstead	1906. 5/-	6/6/15	Not in agree- ment.
Rowland Kenney	Russell Square	1912. 7/6	7/2/13	None.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Addresses</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
J. Alexander	Grahamstown	1906	7/6. 14/4/13
George F. Allen	Crouch Hill	1911	5/- 27/1/13
Miss Jessie Allan	Doncaster	1906	5/- 5/12/11
W. J. Allan	Highgate	1911	£1. 19/10/12
R. D. Anderson	Lee	1909	£1.1s. 7/12/10
F. T. Adkins	Streatham	1908	5/- 11/1/11
Archd. S. Arnold	Dulwich	1912	10/- 6/5/12
W. H. Atkins	N. Finchley	1908	5/- 22/10/12
J. C. Austin	Fulham	1908	£1 13/10/09
Miss K. Ball	Forest Hill	1912	5/- 15/6/12
Miss Barnes	Tufnell Park	1907	5/- 8/2/10
G. W. Bishop	Peckham	1911	7/6 20/11/12
Roman Biske	Middle Temple	1907	5/- 2/4/12
Miss J. Blackburne	Sedgefield	1911	8/- 9/12/11
Miss Helen Boulton	Forest Hill	1913	5/- 20/1/13
Miss N. Brownsword	Three Arts Club	1913	5/- 7/1/13
Miss S. Bulan	Regent's Park	1911	5/- 4/9/12
Bernard Campbell	Regent's Park	1910	5/3 7/11/12
G. P. Catchpole	Sicilian Avenue, W.C.	1913	£1.1s. 21/4/13
Miss C. Challenger	Balham	1911	5/- 25/10/11
Miss E. M. Clark	Hendon	1911	7/6 17/2/11
Miss Clarke	Guilford Street	1907	5/- 31/12/12
L. R. Connor	N. Finchley	1911	10/6 9/10/11
Henry Console	Crofton Park	1907	10/- 23/2/11
Mrs. H. Console	do.	1907	10/- 23/2/11
Andrew W.D. Cowan	Shettleston	1905	5/- 7/11/11
Miss K. L. Cox	Harley Street	1909	10/- 9/5/12
<del>Miss</del> L. I. R. Cripps	Worthing	1910	7/6 28/11/10
J.C. Croall	Leytonstone	1904	5/- 4/8/09
George E. Crook	Croydon	1906	10/- 4/7/11
Mrs. E.W. Cunningham	New Zealand	1906	10/- 7/8/12
S. S. Curra	Balham	1912	7/6 3/3/12
Miss Gladys Dale	West Norwood	1910	2/6 22/7/10
Ernest J. Dixon	Edgware Road	1906	5/- 15/9/11
Allan S. Dobson	Harlow	1910	5/- 1/8/11
W. J. Dooley	Catford	1911	£1 25/1/11
Wm. R. Dover	Palmers Green	1909	5/- 20/12/11
R. E. Dowson	Watford	1908	2/6 26/9/10
C. W. Edwards	Lewisham	1907	£1 22/9/09
F. Pellatt	Elkington Haymarket	1904	5/- 31/3/11
Christopher C. Fagg	Upper Norwood	1906	5/- 16/5/13
Miss Lizzie Firmin	Palmers Green	1907	5/- 25/11/09
Miss Fox	Ridgmount Gdns.	1908	10/6 31/5/12
Alfred E. Francis	Bath	1910	5/- 1/1/13

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
B. W. Freeman	Penarth	1908	5/- 25/10/11
Ralph Gardner	Harlesden	1912	7/6 11/11/12
Joseph Geoffrey	Portsmouth	1910	5/- 8/2/12
Mrs. Lawrence Gibson	Finsbury Park	1913	5/- 25/11/12
R. Lord Gifford	Blackburn	1906	5/- 23/12/12
Miss D. D. Gilbert	West Kensington	1908	5/- 2/12/12
Mrs. W.S.Glyn Jones	Palmers Green	1907	10/6 4/12/11
Edwin Goodchild	Honor Oak Park	1913	£1.1s.5/8/11
Ralph Habben	Maybury Rough	1911	10/- 30/9/12
J. Geo. Hamilton	Clapham Common	1907	10/- 1/5/12
Mrs. Hamilton	do.	1907	10/- 1/5/12
Mrs. L.C. Harrison	Letchworth	1909	5/- 21/5/12
Rev. J.H.Hashings	Lancaster	1904	5/- 23/10/09
F. B. Hirst	Batley	1912	£1 5/9/12
Miss E.B. Hitchcock	Epsom	1912	5/- 12/11/12
Mrs. T. F. Hodgson	Gidea Park	1909	10/ 27/1/13
J. P. Hodgson	do.	1907	15/- 27/1/13
Frank A. Huckle	Oxford	1890	10/- 9/12/12
Chas. W. Hutchinson	Cricklewood	1911	2/6 16/11/11
H. H. Ison	Oxford	1895	10/6 2/1/12
Thos. Ernst Jackson	Wimbledon	1911	15/- 5/12/11
Miss N. T. James	Hammersmith	1908	7/6 10/12/10
Arthur S. Jenner	Shepherds Bush	1909	5/- 7/12/10
Miss Mavis Jupp	Croydon	1907	5/- 20/8/12
Norman Lang	Ilford	1907	20/- 16/12/09
Mrs. Leatham	Hendon	1906	21/- 4/5/10
J. G. Lorrain	Kolborn	1891	20/- 26/9/11
A. MacG. Loughnane	Surbiton	1907	5/- 16/3/12
E. A. Lynn	Hendon	1907	10/- 10/7/12
Mrs. L. Lynn	do.	1912	5/- 11/7/12
Mrs. G. H. Maber	Ewell	1907	10/- 28/12/10
Macgowan, K.R.,	Cambridge, Mass.	1910	10/- 13/7/10
A. D. Macpherson	Chelsea	1908	5/- 11/11/12
J. W. Marshall	S. Hackney	1912	5/- 6/11/12
Archibald Martin	Redhill	1910	12/- 8/11/11
Basil Mathews	Reigate	1898	10/- 16/11/09
John Meikle	Clapham	1906	5/- 26/1/12
D. L. Monroe	Calcutta	1903	£2 22/4/11
Hugh Morgan	Gower Street	1910	5/- 16/11/11
R. Malcolm Morley	Upper Norwood	1910	5/- 6/8/13
Dr. Hector Munro	Seymour Street	1900	7/6 5/3/12
Miss Margaret Naunburg	Paris	1912	10/6 13/11/12
Frederick A.G.Neale	Buenos Aires	1908	10/- 9/10/12
Mrs. Neilson	<del>Rekxxxxx</del> Streatham	1907	10/6 2/10/11
Bernard M. Neville	Hampstead	1909	10/6 12/2/12
Stanley North	Fulham	1913	5/- 27/12/12

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
Major J.R. Nuttall	Pall Mall	1912	£1 18/1/12
Wm. Oakley	Burton-on-Trent	1894	5/- 13/1/12
Allen Oliver	Biggleswade	1906	2/6 23/7/12
T. W. Osborn	Letchworth	1910	5/- 7/11/12
Fredk. E. Owen	Southsea	1907	10/- 9/1/12
Edmund Page	Neston	1910	£5.5s. 5/9/10
Miss F. E. Patten	Tufnell Park	1909	7/6 6/5/11
Mrs. A.S. Penn	Finchley	1907	5/- 13/11/11
A. Oliver Pickering	Thronton Heath	1909	1/- 3/12/10
G. H. S. Pinsent	Portsmouth Road	1907	10/- 1/3/12
Thomas Porter	Walthamstow	1891	10/- 1/12/11
Mrs. T. Porter	do.	1908	10/- 1/12/11
J. B. Prynne	Birkhamsted	1907	10/- 19/11/09
Miss D.H.G. Ratcliffe	S.Kensington	1908	5/- 19/1/12
Ludwick W. Rajchman	Stamford Brook Rd.	1912	£1 26/9/12
Francis C. Ralph	Southall	1909	5/- 18/11/11
Rev. G.A. Ramsay	Bath	1909	10/- 22/8/12
Miss G. J. Ray	Williamstown	1909	5/- 17/1/12
Arthur R. Reade	Grosvenor Road	1907	10/- 3/12/10
D. J. Rees	Swansea	1908	5/- 4/4/10
Henry S. Reitlinger	Queen's Gate	1907	£1 16/2/11
Miss Isabel M.Rennet	Regent's Park	1911	5/- 4/9/12
T. Herbert Rhodes	Northwood	1908	10/- 10/6/12
S. L. Richards	Wellington	1908	5/- 20/2/12
T. F. Richards	Leicester	1907	£1 27/12
T. W. Richards	Swansea	1908	5/- 17/3/10
Mrs. Rigby	Preston	1907	1/6 11/1/12
Miss J. McKenzie Roberts	S.Hackney	1908	10/- 6/10/11
Arthur D. Robertson	Clapham Park	1908	10/- 25/3/11
Harry George Robins	Stafford	1891	£1 9/3/12
Miss G.E.Rocliffe	Newcastle-on-Tyne	1908	5/- 8/7/09
Miss J.S.Ross	18 East Finchley	1909	5/- 1/3/11
Hermann Rosse	California	1910	10/- 9/9/12
Miss Rushbrooke	New Bushey	1910	5/- 4/12/11
S. J. C. Russell	Hellingley	1907	15/- 18/3/11
R. J. Ryton	Balham	1909	5/- 7/12/11
Walter E. Sawyer	Ealing	1913	10/ 9/4/13
Miss Grace Dyce Sharp	Hampstead	1910	7/6 21/11/11
H. J. Shea	Fulham	1911	£1 8/11/12
T. Bayard Simmons	Dulwich	1906	5/- 20/4/10
Alfred Smith	Heywood	1899	10/- 23/12/18
Miss H. M. Smyth	Hammersmith	1908	5/- 1/10/09
David Soskice	Brook Green	1908	5/- 22/4/12
Rev. C.F.H. Soulby	South Shields	1907	5/- 15/3/12
V. F. Spalding	Bedford Park	1909	15/- 4/7/12
Chas. H. Spark	Sydney	1909	15/- 9/12/11
Ernest Stedman	Wigan	1912	13/- 9/1/12

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
Herbert Stickland	Coventry	1912	5/- 21/3/12
J. W. Straughan	Croydon	1890	£1 14/3/12
S. G. Stubbs	Essex Street	1908	10/6 2/11/10
John D. Sutcliffe	Manchester	1894	10/- 4/12/09
G. V. Symes	Walthamstow	1909	£1.1s. 5/6/13
C. E. Tattersall	New Zealand	1895	7/- 8/1/01
Miss Emma Thomas	Lewisham	1907	10/- 18/6/13
Mrs. G.W. Thompson	Streatham	1912	5/- 25/6/12
Joseph Thorp	Battersea Park	1907	5/- 11/12/11
W. J. Turner	Hendon	1909	10/- 28/12/10
Mrs. Alfred Unna	Bradford	1907	£1 2/11/10
Mrs. Vulliamy	Cambridge	1909	15/- 5/12/13
J. Bruce Wallace	Letchworth	1892	10/- 20/12/12
Miss Ada Ward	Barnes	1909	5/- 8/2/12
William Watson	Kew	1906	£1.1s.2/12/13
John Weathers	Isleworth	1913	10/- 12/3/13
John Thomas Webb	Ilford	1906	5/- 17/1/12
Maurice Webb	Sydenham	1907	6/- 26/10/11
Chas. Weeden	Muswell Hill	1907	£2 13/11/12
John William White	Catford	1911	5/- 29/11/10
Russell Tacey Wilkinson	Hendon	1908	10/6 14/5/12
Louis Williams	Tipton	1906	6/6 11/1/13
W. T. Harvey Willis	Tatsfield	1908	2/6 30/7/12
Bertram Wilson	Birmingham	1897	10/- 26/3/13
Miss Mary E. Wilson	Hammersmith	1906	6/- 3/7/13
B. H. Winslow	Dulwich	1909	15/- 3/1/13
B. Wood-Hill	Rosary Gardens	1912	£1.5s. 23/11/12
Harold Wratten	Bramhall	1912	10/- 9/6/13

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Meeting, Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> 1915.

Present. Mrs Webb (in chair) Sanders.

- (1) Minutes of previous meeting were read & confirmed
- (2) Apology for non-attendance was received from Dodd.
- (3) Memberships August, September, October, candidates (11) were elected; last year (23)
- (4) Kings Hall Lectures It was reported that the syllabus was being posted and that the sale of tickets to date was £92. In 1914 the sale of tickets for Kingway Hall lectures was £55 to the end of September; In 1910 the sale at the same date for Kings Hall lectures was £28.  
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- (5) Offices The Gen: Sec: reported that he had insured the contents of the premises, 25 Tothall Street, against air-craft. It was agreed to recommend that his action be approved.



(6) Book Boxes Enquiries having been received from individuals as to the possibility of hiring Book Boxes it was agreed that Book Boxes may be hired by individuals on their ~~own~~ providing a guarantee from a responsible person that the books would be returned or their value paid <sup>was given</sup> or that a deposit of £5 was paid.

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Committee Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb'y 1916.

Present Mrs. Welch (in chair) Miss Smith, Dr. Fairfield  
Swell, Dodd & Hor Sec.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed
2. Apologies - Emil Davies
3. Candidates. List in Jan'y + Feb'y News, (9 in all: last year, 34) was considered & all were elected except H. B. Lewis who had not signed the Basis & was abroad with the army. He was ordered to be put on the subscribers list.
4. Resignations &c.  
The list on the next page was considered & each case dealt with as indicated
5. Fabian Hall. The Sec'y reported that Altinjs were increasing in number. He submitted application of the Postal

5. Hall (cont'd)

Telegraph Clerks for use of hall at reduced fee, on account of the character of the meeting. The Sec. was instructed to reply that we can make no exceptions to our rule, because most of those that hire the hall would claim our favourable consideration.

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MEMBERSHIP

List of Resignations, etc. during the past six months for  
Organising & Propaganda Committee, 3rd Feb., 1916.

Resignations, etc. prepared for consideration by  
E. W. S. Sanders before he left.

Resignations:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Off.	Frank E. Balls	Battersea	1909	5/- 27/7/14	F.S. side-tracked by war.
Keep	Miss L. Battersby	S. Norwood	1910	£1. 15/10/14	Poverty
Keep	J. Cardew Bedwell	Thetford	1908	2/6d. 8/12/14	War
Keep	Mrs. Bruton	W. Norwood	1906	10/- 3/1/15.	None <i>Permitted in resign.</i>
Off	J. Percy Cackett	Clapham Common	1907	10/- 13/2/15	Out of sympathy
Off	Mrs. Cackett	do.	1907	10/- 13/2/15	do.
Keep	Miss A. Crompton	Guildford	1907	5/- 4/8/15	Poverty
Off	D. J. Davies	Aberystwyth	1898	5/- 25/1/15	Transferring to I.L.P.
Off	Miss W. Fish	Kensal Rise	1907	5/- 12/1/15	Going abroad.
Keep	Mrs. Harrison	Letchworth	1909	10/- 23/7/15	Too busy <i>Permitted in resign.</i>
Write	Mrs. Hiscox	Lewisham	1909	5/- 24/1/14	War <i>resignation</i>
Keep	J. Henry Lloyd	Hounslow	1912	5/- 7/12/14	None
Keep	Mrs. E. M. M. Lloyd	do.	1912	5/- -	None } <i>Resign. withdrawn</i>
Off	T. Alwyn Lloyd	Cardiff	1909	21/- 22/3/15	Other interests
Keep	J. W. Marshall	S. Hackney	1912	5/- 6/11/12	Active Service
Off	Miss E. L. Mason	Redcliffe Gdns.	1908	5/- 17/4/13	None
Off	Ilen Oliver	Biggleswade	1906	7/6 21/1/15	Financial
Rep. to	ev. W. H. Paine	Conduit Street	1899	£1. 1s. 5/3/15	Too busy <i>Resign. withdrawn</i>
Rep. to	A. I. Pritchard	H.M. Off. of Wks	1905	£1. 1s. 12/10/14	No time
Rep. to	Miss Portal	Victoria St.	1907	10/- 3/7/14	Financial
Off	Francis C. Ralph	Hyde	1903	5/- 10/7/15	None <i>Permitted in resignation</i>
Off	H. J. Shaw	Ealing	1907	5/- 7/4/15	Financial
Off	Mrs. Vulliamy	Cambridge	1909	10/- 9/7/15	No time.

Referred for Committee's Decision:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
Off	Osbert H. Burdett	Bushey	1906	10/6d. 8/8/11
Off	Walter Coates	Wilson St., E.C.	1902	2/- 11/8/10
Off	Kenneth Hare	Chelsea	1912	10/- 17/6/12

Members whose addresses are lost:

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*Off  
Refused  
Off*

<u>Name</u>	<u>Last Addr:</u>	<u>Letter retd.</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Sub.</u>
Malcolm P. Applebooy	Oxford	4/4/15	1911	£1
George F. Barnes	Tonbridge	5/6/15	1910	5/-
A.M. Corble	Marylebone	-	1911	5/-
Mrs. V.E. Greenwood	Birmingham	5/6/15	1913	5/-
E.T. Lancaster	Pittsburgn	Sept. 1915	1913	15/-
Mddl. Guttenstein	Birkenhead	22/12/14	1912	8/-
George H. Hunter	Durham	7/7/15	1906	2/6d.
Percy Leonard	Highgate	3/7/14	1907	5/-
Harry E. Lewis	Ealing	5/12/13	1910	£1.10s.
S. I. Looker	Stoke Newington	5/6/13	1908	5/-
Miss C.B. Low	Clapham Park	4/4/13	1906	5/-
G.E.O. Dell	N. Kensington	5/7/12	1904	10/-
Mrs. O'Dell	do.,	5/7/12	1907	5/-
Mrs. S. St. Barbe	Hampstead	-	1907	£1 ls.
Edward J. Shellard	Weston-super-Mare	7/7/13	1900	£1 ls.
Lewis Silkin	Burdett Rd.	18/6/15	1911	5/-
Albert Smith	Bowes Park	-	1907	5/-
Miss Lily Smither	Chiswick	4/4/15	1908	5/-
Eugene V. Teosdale	Hull	3/3/15	1891	5/-
Miss M.S. Carter	Clapham	4/4/15	1911	5/-

Resignations, etc. reported by the Honorary Secretary.

Resignations:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<i>Refer to Dard</i> William Aston	Wrexham	1908	£1.1. 13/2/14	None
<i>Off</i> E.C. Biaggini	Stamford Hill	1912	10/- 29/12/12	Gone to Australia
<i>Red? to him?</i> <i>He withdrew</i> V. Bischof-Collins	Hendon	1907	10/- 6/10/15	None
<i>Off</i> Mrs. Bischof-Collins	do.	1908	£1. 9/10/13	None <i>3 Persisted in resigning</i>
<i>Off</i> Mrs. W.J. Bridge	Barnsley	1909	10/- 5/7/10	Financial
<i>Keep on</i> J.W. Bunn	Fulham	1906	10/- 7/12/14	Financial
<i>Off</i> Mrs. Ada Nield	Chew Rochdale	1904	5/- 18/1/16	None
<i>Off</i> Rev. R.M. Cross	Leeds	1907	2/6d. 18/12/14	Active Service.
<i>Off</i> F.W. Edwards	Harrow	1908	10/- 6/1/15	Too busy
<i>Off</i> H.F. Goodchild	Leicester	1910	10/- 10/12/14	None
<i>Off</i> Rev. W.E. Ireland	Macclesfield	1912	5/- 10/4/15	None
<i>Keep on</i> A.S. Jacob	Cardiff	1907	£1.1. 3/2/15	Poverty
<i>Off</i> Harold A. Lett	Dublin	1913	£1. 30/6/15	Poverty
<i>Off</i> Fenton Macpherson	Blackheath	1898	10/6 5/10/14	None
<i>Off</i> Mrs. Macpherson	do.	1898	10/6 5/10/14	None

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reason</u>
<i>asked to stay off</i> } P.J. Mantle ) Mrs. Mantle )	S. Woodford	1912	10/6 2/4/14	Financial. <i>Agreed to remain members.</i>
Miss Parker	Kingston	1908	5/- 25/2/15	Changed views
<i>e. w. mellow</i>	<i>Brighton</i>			<i>no reasons</i>

*Referred to add Resignation Withdrawn. }*

Referred for Committee's Decision:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	
Bernard S. Gilbert	Authors' Club	1906	10/6d. 8/5/13	<i>Shook off till payd - do. -</i>
Mrs. Leatham	Hendon	1906	21/- 4/5/10	

Free List:

Referred for consideration:

The Rt. Hon. John Burns, M.P.

*off*

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Committee 24<sup>th</sup> March 1916.

Present Mrs. Webb, in chair,

1 The Minutes were confirmed

2. Elections. The Candidates in the March "news" were elected

3. Report on Resignations dealt with at the Last Committee:

(a) Asked to stay on, and agreed to do so.

H. J. Lloyd, Mrs. Lloyd, P. J. Mantle, Mrs. Mantle,  
O. W. Mellor, Rev. W. H. Paine, A. J. Prichard,  
Mrs. Harrison refused, but her husband rejoined.

(b) Asked to stay and refused.

V. Bischof-Collins, Mrs. Bischof-Collins,  
Mrs. Bruton, Miss Portal.

(c) Kept on, and no acknowledgment

J. C. Bedwell, J. W. Eunn, Miss A. Compton,  
Mrs. Hiscox, A. S. Jacob, J. W. Marshall (on  
active service), Mrs. Vulliamy.

(d) W. Ashton. Referred to Dodd.

G. F. Barnes. Address lost. Now found.

(e) University F.S. Members.

About 150 letters have been written. About 20  
have replied, a few (on active service, etc.)  
declining to resume membership, and the rest  
accepting.

The Report was received.

4. Resignations, all accepted, viz:

7. Play

<u>Name</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>	<u>Reasons.</u>
Mrs. Lucy Davies	1895		Husband remains member.
Miss H. Kidd	1910	20/- 5/2/10	Povorty.
Miss Kydd	1914	12/6 8/3/14	None
Miss I. Logan	1908	10/- 21/7/14	Out of sympathy.
Miss Miall Smith	1914	5/- 10/3/14	Family remains on.
Mrs. B.S. Mackay	1906	3/- 1/2/15	Husband remains on.
Alastair McKillop	1909	5/- 3/12/09	Family remains on.
Miss Fell Smith	1908	10/6 8/3/15	Too busy.
Kenneth H. Vickers	1911	10/- 3/3/15	No reason.
Ernest E. Williams	1902	£2/2/- 31/3/15	See letter.

5 Members much in arrears:

(a) Written to and no reply received:

	<u>Elected.</u>	<u>Last Sub.</u>
Mrs. C.W. Cannell	1908	1908
W.L. Cribb	1903	1910
F. Death	1897	1908
N.C. Harris	1910	1911
John Hewitt	1907	1910
Mrs. R.C. Lambert	1906	1909
A.C. Sharp	1911	1911
<del>G.F. Sharp</del>	<del>1909</del>	<del>1910</del>
Adolphe Smith	1888	1910 - paid up.
Mr H. Radford	1909	1909

(b) Not written to:  
F. Mannington 1907 1910

*It was agreed that all be struck off except G.F. Sharp, included in the list in error, and also that F. Mannington be written to.*

6 New Societies, etc., *reheated.*

(a) Douglas (Isle of Man), formed on March 18th with 7 members.

(b) Cambridge University Fabian Group:  
Formed 7th February with 7 members, 1 associate.



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7- Play Readings:

It was proposed in the autumn that offer by Ervine to read a play in the Fabian Hall be accepted for the spring, and that Barker be asked to read a play. Ervine withdraws offer because he is not residing in London; and the Chairman and Secretary recommend that the second proposal be dropped.

*agreed.*

23.6.16. *Erskine*

