MINUTES
of the meeting of the American
American Executive
INSTITUTE OF PACIFIC RELATIONS
Harvard Club, New York, April 18th, 1925

Present:

Dr. G. A. Johnston Ross
Mr. C. C. Batchelder
Professor Geo. E. Blakeslee
Professor Henry Pratt Fairchild
Mr. John Nelson, Vancouver, B.C.
and
Mr. J. Merle Davis

In the absence of the Chairman, the meeting was called
to order by Mr. Davis. Professor Blakeslee was elected vice-
chairman of the American Executive Committee, and took charge
of the meeting.

Since each member of the committee had received the
minutes of the previous meeting it was voted to omit the reading
of the same.

Mr. J. Merle Davis, Executive Secretary of the Central
Committee, gave a brief report of his activities since the
last meeting. He reported that Mr. Norman R. Davis and Mr.
John Story Jenks had declined to accept their appointments to
the Executive Committee; that Mr. Thomas W. Lemont and Mrs.
Willard Straight had declined their appointments to the Advisory
Council, and that Mr. George A. Plimpton had declined to accept
his appointment as Treasurer of the American Committee.

In view of the fact that Mr. George A. Plimpton had de-
clined to accept the appointment as Treasurer of the American
Committee, it was voted to ask the International Banking Corpora-
tion to act as Treasurer of the funds held by the American
Committee.

Mr. John Nelson, secretary of the Canadian Committee of
the Honolulu Institute, reported regarding the activities of the
Canadian Committee. Mr. Nelson said that the Hon. Newton W.
Rowell, Canada's greatest constitutional lawyer, and chairman
of the Privy Council under the Borden Government, was greatly
interested in the Institute plan, and with Mrs. Rowell was
considering going to Honolulu.
The minutes of the meeting of the American
Institute of Practice Relations

At the Hotel Commodore, New York, April 10th, 1923

Present:

Dr. G. A. Johnson, Rose
Dr. C. E. Erlichman
Mr. H. A. Holm
Mr. E. H. Packard
Mr. R. W. B. Peabody
Mr. E. A. Robertson
Mr. J. A. Rineham
Mr. W. W. Shaw
Mr. J. W. White

In the absence of the chairman, the meeting was called
to order by Dr. David Peabody, President, in the absence of
the chairman, at the request of the Executive Committee and the
courage.

Since each member of the committee had received the
minutes of the previous meeting and was ready to contribute
the same.

Mr. J. W. White, Dean of the Executive Committee,
drew a report of the activities of the committee
in the absence of the chairman. He reported that Mr. Johnson, A. D. have
the following reports of the activities of the committee:

- The Executive Committee has continued its efforts to obtain
  the appointment of a new magazine to the executive committee.
- It is hoped that the committee can be recommended to the
  appointment of a new magazine to the executive committee.

In view of the fact that the Executive Committee has been
contacted to secure the appointment of the executive committee,
the committee is now ready to ask for the recommendations of the
executive committee.

The minutes of the meeting were then read and confirmed.

Mr. J. W. White, secretary of the executive committee,
reported the activities of the committee.

By the action of the Executive Committee, the following
committee was selected:

- Dr. G. A. Johnson, Rose
- Dr. C. E. Erlichman
- Mr. H. A. Holm
- Mr. E. H. Packard
- Mr. R. W. B. Peabody
- Mr. E. A. Robertson
- Mr. J. A. Rineham
- Mr. W. W. Shaw

Mr. Nelson said that if the American Delegation could be enlarged by the addition of a number of prominent men in public life it would have weight in influencing leading Canadians to participate in the Institute.

Mr. Davis reported for the Finance Committee, the following gifts to the Institute:

(a) World Peace Foundation has appropriated $3000 unconditionally and an additional $2000 to be used at the discretion of the Trustees.

(b) Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, Jr. has made a gift of $10,000 to the Institute.

It was voted to make a second approach to the Carnegie Foundation and to ask a number of interested individuals for gifts.

In view of the fact that other national committees are attempting to raise considerable sums toward the travel of their own delegates, it was decided to cut down the estimated budget from $75,000 to approximately $60,000.

The Delegation Committee reported that ten full participating members of the American Delegation had been definitely secured, with the possibility of several others whose final decision is still uncertain.

A list of prospective attendees to whom invitations have been sent was also reported.

It was voted to provide for two classes of attendees:

(a) Full participating attendees at Round Tables (limited to twenty-five)

(b) Associated attendees to whom the general lectures and forum discussions alone will be open.

It was also decided to create a third group of attendees entitled "observers" to whom the right of attending Round Table discussions, without participation, will be given.

It was voted to make every effort from now on to secure the attendance of men and women of outstanding national influence and position.

Professor Blakelee reported that the specialist members of the American group of attendees were each to be asked to
prepare special papers in their particular fields, to be used as needed in the Institute program.

It was voted to recommend to the Central Executive Committee that expert publicity control be secured for the Institute, either locally or from the mainland. It was suggested that Mr. James E. King of the "Boston Evening Transcript" is probably available for supervising publicity control.

It was voted to recommend the Central Executive Committee that an independent Korean Delegation should not attend the Honolulu Institute, but that the Koreans should be merged in the Japanese Delegation.

It was also voted to recommend that independent Filipino participation likewise be discouraged.

It was voted to recommend to the Central Executive Committee that Mexico, Dutch East Indies, French Indo-China, and Siam be invited to send an observer to the Institute, and that the question of including the South American Pacific nations in this invitation be referred to Dr. Rowe, secretary of the Pan American Union, for advice.

It was voted to recommend to the Central Executive Committee that a cable code address for the Conference be registered and that each national committee be notified of the same.

On the motion of Mr. C. C. Batchelder, seconded by Professor Henry Pratt Fairchild, it was voted to pass a hearty vote of thanks to Professor Blakeslee for his services in connection with the securing of the publication of the Institute bibliography by the World Peace Foundation, and for his valuable services in connection with the recent appropriation of the World Peace Foundation to the funds of the Institute.

On the motion of Professor Henry Pratt Fairchild, seconded by Mr. C. C. Batchelder, it was voted to send a letter of appreciation to the Trustee of the World Peace Foundation for its recent generous gift to the Institute.

It was voted to recommend that the secretary, Mr. J. Marble Davis, remain in the United States until the necessary Institute budget has been raised and the principal attendants of the American group have been secured.

It was voted that as soon as the Treasurer of the Executive Committee was secured, that suitable letterheads and stationery be provided for the use of the American group.

The meeting was adjourned.
If we agree to recommend to the Central Executive 
Committee that a special priority of concern be accorded to the 
question of “cultural influence.” We note that the American 
Committee on Education and Cultural Relations 
recently suggested that “cultural influence” is 
undermined by the Americanization of the \( \text{People's Republic of China} \). 

We are also aware of the need to recommend that the American 
participation in the International Peace Conference 
be meaningful and significant. We would recommend that 
the Central Executive Committee take a strong position in 
the Americanization of the \( \text{People's Republic of China} \). 

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