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Henry J. Thompson, 483 Pettengill St., Tattoosh, Washington.

Dear Friend: --

You are doubtless familiar with the policy which Oregon Yearly Meeting, through its Service Board, has adopted in regard to its members who upheld the Quaker peace testimony by taking the position of the conscientious objector. Pacific College gives each of these in attendance there a creat of \$50.00 per semester, on college expenses, and the yearly meeting has been making up the other man \$50.00 per semester out of lunes contributed through the Service Board. This does not approach the help that the government gives to the G.I. students, but is a substantial recognition of our interest in these men.

Most Friends, who supported the C.O.'s so well during the war, have forgotten that we are still under the obligation to help these men still. There is need for \$200.00 for this year, and will be need for further aid next year. There was enough in the treasury to meet the necessary \$100.00 for the first semester, but in another month the second semester will be going on, and we ought to have at once enough to pay the \$100.00 due then and have a good start for the coming year.

This letter is being sent to you and to 99 other members of the yearly meeting, in the hope that each of you will put one dollar as your minimum, and seek to much beyond that as you can. Please send your money to Richard C. Kneeland, Yearly Meeting Treasurer, 801 Public Service Building, Portland 4, Cregon, and designate it for the National Service Section of the Service Board.

with the hope and the confidence that you will respond to this call, that we may not fail of duing what we have agreed to do for these students who have upheld our testimony, I am

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Levi T. Pennington, Superintendent of National Service, Oregon Yearly Meeting.