

On June 9th at 5 P.M. a joint meeting of two committees took place; the Committee for the Defense of Roerich Museum and the Committee of Friends of Roerich Museum - at the house of Mrs. H.G.Campbell, 34 Gramercy Park, New York City.

The following persons were present:

Major J.G.Phelps Stokes, who consented to act as Chairman

Mrs. J.G.Phelps Stokes

Mrs. H.G.Campbell

Mrs. Lionel Sutro

Mr. Henry J. Forman

Mrs. S. Lichtmann

Mr. M.M.Lichtmann

Miss Frances R. Grant

Mrs. M.M Zimmerman

Mr. David Grant

Mr. John O'Hara Cosgrave

Mr. C. Milliken

Mrs. R.T.Scott

Mrs. Clyde Gartner

Mrs. Ruth Evans

Mrs. Ann Hamilton

Mr. Gene Fosdick

Miss G.I.Fritschi, Acting Secretary

Major Stokes, the Chairman opened the meeting reading a letter from Colonel Mahon in which he expressed his complete allegiance to the ideals of Professor and Madame de Roerich. The Chairman commented especially on Colonel Mahon's official position and cited the importance of the letter in indicating the British attitude towards Professor de Roerich. The Chairman also outlined two letters written to the Committee by Prof. Nicholas de Roerich as well as a letter from Princess Chetvertinsky from Paris.

The Chairman then asked Miss Grant to inform the committee of the progress achieved in the litigations since the last meeting.

Miss Grant reported that there had been a succession of motions on the part of Mr. Horch's lawyers intended to postpone our case and to throw it out of the court of equity into the court of law which would delay the case considerably. Following the decision of Judge Wasservogel the case now is dropped in its present form and started anew in the court of equity. Miss Grant also reported that a meeting had been called by the illegally elected Trustees of the Master Institute to which Mr. Lichtmann was invited. The report of that meeting was read by Miss Grant. As a relief on this measure the attorneys are now bringing a special action contesting the validity of the election. The hearing is called for Thursday June 11th, 1936.

The Chairman then asked Mr. David Grant to explain some of the legal aspects of the case. Mr. Grant pointed out the possible measure which might be taken in case of any drastic movements Mr. Horch may do to evict the Trustees.

Miss Grant asked if a Protest meeting would not be advisable as the one held during the reorganization was so effective. This proposal was taken up by the committee but it was decided to postpone such a meeting in order not to create any complications.

Mrs. Sutro told the committee that she had spoken with Mr. Wolff, partner of the firm of Greenbaum, Wolff and Ernst. During the conversation with Mr. Wolff she told how she had expressed her opinion about the actions of Mr. and Mrs. Horch and Miss Lichtmann. Mrs. Sutro also told Mr. Wolff about her own lawsuit against Mr. Horch. Mrs. Sutro added that she met Mr. Ernst later on, who expressed the wish to speak with her in regard to the case of the Master Institute.

The Chairman thereupon declared this meeting adjourned.

Lugeborg Fritschi
Acting Secretary.

On June 9 at 5 P.M. a joint meeting of two committees took place; - the Committee for the Defense of Roerich Museum and the Committee of Friends of Roerich Museum - at the house of Mrs. H.G.Campbell, 34 Gramercy Park, New York City.

The following persons were present:

Major J. Phelps Stokes, who consented to act as Chairman
Mrs. J. Phelps Stokes
Mrs. H. Campbell
Mrs. Daniel Sutro
Mr. Harry J. Forman
Mrs. . Lichtmann
Mr. M. Lichtmann
Miss Frances R. Grant
Mrs. M.M. Zimmermann
Mr. David Grant
Mr. John O'Hara Cosgrave
Mr. C. Milliken
Mr. R.T. Scott
Mr. Clyde Gartner
Mr. Ruth Evans
Mr. Ann Hamilton
Mr. Gene Fosdick
Miss G.I. Fritschi, Acting Secretary

Major Stokes, the Chairman opened the meeting reading a letter from which he expressed his complete allegiance to the Roerich Museum.

Professor de Roerich. The Chairman also outlined two letters written to the Committee by Prof. Nicholas de Roerich as well as a letter from Princess Chetvertinsky from Paris.

The Chairman then asked Miss Grant to inform the committee of the progress achieved in the litigations since the last meeting.

Miss Grant reported that there had been a succession of motions on the part of Mr. Horch's lawyers intended to postpone our case and to throw it out of the court of equity into the court of law which would delay the case considerably. Following the decision of Judge Wasservogel the case now is dropped in its present form and started anew in the court of equity. Miss Grant also reported that a meeting had been called by the illegally elected Trustees of the Master Institute to which Mr. Lichtmann was invited. The report of that meeting was read by Miss Grant. As a relief on this measure the attorneys are now bringing a special action contesting the validity of the election. The hearing is called for Thursday June 11th, 1936.

The Chairman then asked Mr. David Grant to explain some of the legal aspects of the case. Mr. Grant pointed out the possible measures which might be taken in case of any drastic movements Mr. Horch may do to evict the Trustees.

Miss Grant asked if a Protest meeting would not be advisable as the one held during the reorganization was so effective. This proposal was taken up by the committee, but it was decided to postpone such a meeting in order not to create any complications.

Mrs. Sutro told the committee that she had spoken with Mr. Wolff, partner of the firm of Greenbaum, Wolff and Ernst. During the conversation with Mr. Wolff she told how she had expressed her opinion about the criminal actions of Mr. and Mrs. Horch and

Meeting of June 9th 1936

2.

Miss Lichtmann, Mrs. Sutro also told Mr. Wolff about her own lawsuit against Mr. Horch. Mrs. Sutro added that she had met Mr. Ernst later on who expressed the wish to speak with her in regard to the case of the Master Institute.

Mr. Forman there upon proposed that since Mr. Ernst had repeatedly mentioned to him that he would like to have a talk with Mr. Cosgrave, whether this would not be the right time to do so. Mr. Cosgrave and Major Stokes decided then to arrange a luncheon with Mr. Ernst provided however our lawyers approve of such an action.

The Chairman thereupon declared this meeting adjourned.