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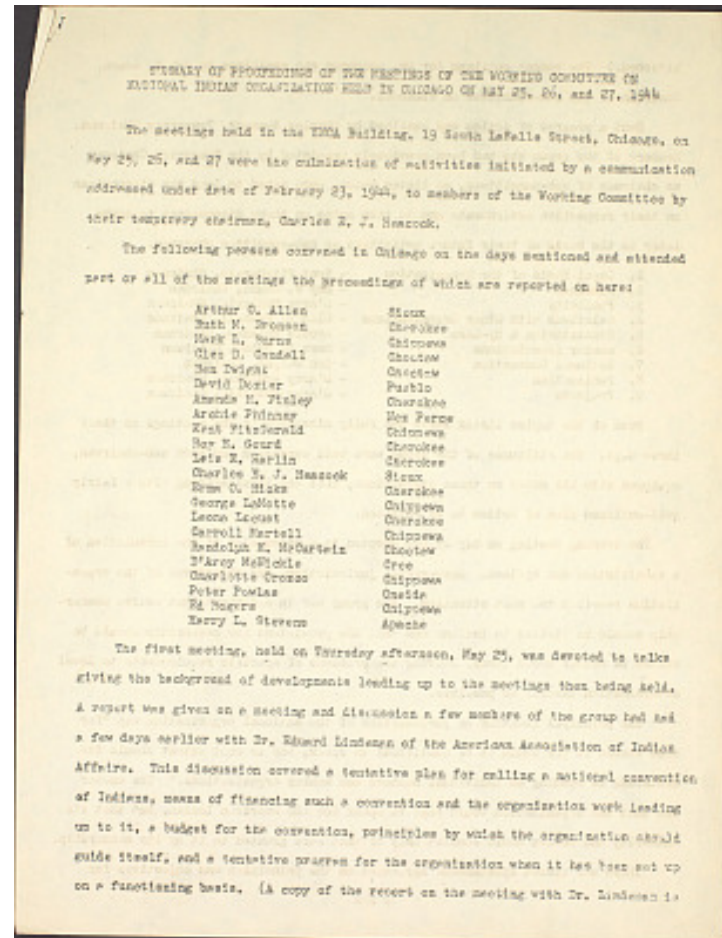
Summary Of Proceedings Of The Meetings Of The Working Committee
on National Indian Organization Held in Chicago on May 25, 26, and 27,
1944

The meetings held in the YMCA Building, 19 South LaSalle Street,
Chicago, on May 25, 26, and 27 were the culmination of activities
initiated by a communication addressed under date of February 23,
1944, to members of the Working Committee by their temporary
chairmen, Charles E. J. Heacock

The following persons convened in Chicago on the days mentioned and
attended part or all of the meetings the proceedings of which are
reported on here:

Arthur O. Allen | Sioux
Ruth M. Bronson | Cherokee
Mark L. Burns | Chippewa
Cleo D. Caudell | Choctaw
Ben Dwight | Choctaw
David Dozier | Pueblo
Amanda H. Finley | Cherokee
Archie Phinney | Nez Perce
Ken FitzGerald | Chippewa
Roy E. Gourd | Cherokee
Lois E. Harlin | Cherokee
Charles E. J. Heacock | Sioux
Erma O. Hicks | Cherokee
George LaMotte | Chippewa
Leona Locust | Cherokee
Carroll Martell | Chippewa
Randolph H. McCurtain | Choctaw
D'Arcy McNickle | Cree
Charlotte Orozco | Chippewa
Peter Powlas | Oneida
Ed Rogers | Chippewa
Harry L. Stevens | Apache

The first meeting, held on Thursday afternoon, May 25, was devoted to
talks giving the background of developments leading up to the meetings
then being held. A report was given on a meeting and discussion a few
members of the group had had a few days earlier with Dr. Eduard
Lindeman of the American Association of Indian Affairs. This discussion
covered a tentative plan for calling a national convention of Indians,
means of financing such a convention and the organization work leading
up to it, a budget for this convention, principles by which the
organization should guide itself, and a tentative program for the organization
when it has been set up on a functioning basis. (A copy of
the report on the meeting with Dr. Lindeman is



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