

It notes with satisfaction that, in spite of difficult circumstances, it has been possible to maintain the resources made available by the League of Nations; it nevertheless considers it impossible to meet the numerous requirements of the present time and enable this work to attain in all its aspects to the full development which its continuous progress makes it possible to expect, unless the material needs of the Organisation are more fully understood both by the League as a whole and by the various Member States. While conveying its renewed thanks to those States which are already showing their interest in the Institute of Intellectual Co-operation by the payment of contributions, it expresses the hope that, in future, their number will still further increase.

(2) *Moral Disarmament.*

The Assembly notes the work done by the Committee on Moral Disarmament of the Conference for the Reduction and Limitation of Armaments. Without prejudice to the further activities of that Committee, it expresses the hope that the texts drawn up by the International Committee on Intellectual Co-operation will be recommended in due course to the attention of the various States.

(3) *National Committees.*

The Assembly requests the Secretary-General of the League of Nations once more to draw the attention of the Governments to the importance of the tasks entrusted to the National Committees, for it is important that the various States should do everything in their power to assist the Committees in the regular fulfilment of their mission.

(4) *Annual Tables of Constants.*

The Assembly recognises the great value to science in general of the publication of the annual tables of constants and numerical data, as also the importance of the proposal put forward by the International Chemistry Union for the summoning, under the auspices of the French Government of a conference to consider the present position of that publication.

(5) The Assembly conveys its warmest thanks to Spain, France and Italy for the services which those countries have rendered to intellectual co-operation by facilitating the summoning of such important conferences as the seventh Permanent International Studies Conference, held in Paris, the Venice "Conversation" of July, 1934, and the General Museographical Conference to be held in Madrid next October.

(6) The Assembly draws the attention of Governments to the importance of a prompt and sympathetic examination of the two draft Conventions prepared by the Intellectual Co-operation Organisation and at present submitted to the States for their consideration; the first of these agreements relates to the legal protection of national artistic possessions and the second to broadcasting and international relations. The Assembly requests the Institute of Intellectual Co-operation to summon further meetings of the Committees of Experts by which the first drafts were prepared, as soon as enough replies have been received. Those Committees will amend the original texts in the light of the replies from the States. The drafts thus amended will be communicated to the Governments and submitted to the Council of the League, which will decide whether they are to be considered by special conferences, or whether they can be discussed and signed during the next ordinary Assembly.

(7) *Intellectual Rights.*

The Assembly, Having heard the particulars supplied to it in regard to the progress recently made in the matter of bringing into harmony the Berne and Havana Conventions on authors' rights:

Notes with satisfaction that, as a result of the Pan-American Conference at Montevideo, an American Committee has been set up to prepare a draft, co-ordinating the basic principles of the two Conventions.

Having regard to the interest which the Assembly has taken in this problem since September, 1928: It asks that the Intellectual Co-operation Organisation should study, before the Brussels Revision Conference, the terms of a preliminary draft convention combining the above-mentioned Conventions.

(8) *Origins of American Civilisation.*

The Assembly, Approves of the very interesting suggestion made by M. Levillier, delegate of the Argentine, that the Institute of Intellectual Co-operation of the League should publish, by international scientific collaboration, a collection of original works on the native civilisations of America and a similar collection dealing with the great American discoveries and history of the sixteenth century;

And requests the Director of the Institute of Intellectual Co-operation, after consulting the Publications Committee of the Ibero-American Collection, to bring that suggestion forward at the next session of the Executive Committee of the Intellectual Co-operation Organisation, with a view to the appointment, as proposed by the Argentine delegate, of a small Committee of Americanists for the purpose of drawing up a scientific and financial plan for the proposed work, such plan to be submitted to the next Assembly for its approval.

(9) *League of Nations Teaching.*

The Assembly is gratified to note the impulse given by the new Advisory Committee for the League of Nations Teaching to the efforts that are being made with a view to the instruction of the younger generation in the aims and work of the League of Nations, and approves the method recommended, which would embody that teaching in a number of measures intended to awaken an international spirit and to promote mutual knowledge of different civilisations.

(10) *Educational Cinematography.*

The Assembly is gratified by the considerable work accomplished by the International Educational Cinematographic Institute during the past year, and in particular by the holding of the International Congress of Educational and Instructional Cinematography in Rome in April, 1934.

It is glad to see in the results of the Congress, not merely the successful conclusion of work already systematically carried on among educationists and producers, but also the starting-point of a whole series of new activities.

It desires to emphasise the fact that among the effects of the Rome Congress has been that of stressing the increasingly large part played by the International Educational Cinematographic Institute in the technical field.

It notes that a large number of signatures have been secured for the Convention for facilitating the International Circulation of Films of an Educational Character, and expresses the hope that the requisite number of ratifications will be obtained to enable that international instrument to come into force at an early date.

VII. Co-operation of the Press in the Organisation of Peace.

The Assembly, Having noted the results of the second Conference of Government Press Bureaux and Press Representatives, which sat at Madrid from November 7th to 11th, 1933, at the invitation of the Government of the Spanish Republic:

In view of the valuable contribution made by the Conference to the problem of the spread of false news which might endanger the maintenance of peace and a good understanding among the nations;

Hoping that the proposed inquiries into the technical and financial means of putting an end to the spread of false news and in regard to the correction of false news appearing in the Press may prove successful;

Believing it to be desirable that, whenever it is thought expedient, Governments should convene conferences of Directors of Press Bureaux and representatives of the Press in the conditions contemplated by the Madrid Conference:

Requests the Council to authorise the Secretary-General to facilitate, by such means as are at his disposal, the preparation for and organisation of the next Conference of Government Press Bureaux and Press Representatives, by lending the assistance of the appropriate services of the League for the secretarial work of the Conference, if such assistance is desired by the Government convening the Conference, after consultation with the Organising Committee and the Press organisations concerned.

VIII. Commission of Inquiry for European Union.

The Assembly, After consulting its General Committee as to the procedure to be followed in connection with Item 8 of the agenda of this session (Commission of Inquiry for European Union):

Notes that circumstances have made it impossible for this Commission to meet since the last session:

Decides, under these conditions, to renew for twelve months the term of office of the Commission of Inquiry for European Union and to include the question on the agenda for the next session of the Assembly.

IX. Financial Questions and Internal Organisation.

1. FINANCIAL QUESTIONS.

1. The Assembly, under Article 38 of the Regulations for the Financial Administration of the League of Nations, finally passes the audited accounts of the League of Nations for the fifteenth financial period, ending December 31st, 1933.

2. The Assembly, Under Article 17 of the Regulations for the Financial Administration of the League of Nations: Passes for the financial period 1935 the budget of the League of Nations, amounting to the total sum of 30,639,664 francs;

And decides that the aforesaid budget shall be published in the *Official Journal*.

3. The Assembly, Takes note of the report of the Administrative Board of the Staff Pensions Fund for the year 1934; Adopts the accounts of the Fund as submitted by the Auditor;

And decides, having regard to Article 7, paragraph (a), of the Staff Pensions Regulations, that the contribution of the League to the Pensions Fund for 1935 shall be 9 per cent. of the pensionable emoluments of the members of the Fund.

4. The Assembly adopts the conclusions of the various reports of the Supervisory Commission submitted for its consideration.*

* These conclusions relate to the accounts for the financial year 1933; budgetary methods of the League, form of the budget, contributions in arrear; budget for 1935; disposal of the surplus from the 1933 budget and repayment to the Working Capital Fund; reimbursement to States of their share of the Working Capital Fund; branch offices; recruitment and promotion (in the scale) of Members of Section; reduction of scales of salary; contribution to the Sickness Insurance Fund; rates of subsistence allowance to officials; allocation of surpluses as between Members of the League; construction of the new buildings and expenses of the architects' offices; entry of receipts in the accounts after the close of the financial period to which they refer; proposal for the amendment of Article 22 of the Financial Regulations; form of the budget and various miscellaneous questions.