

these committees additional means of carrying out the numerous tasks which they have to perform.

The committee further approved the resolution of the International Committee on Intellectual Co-operation concerning the preservation of historical monuments and works of art, as recommended by the Athens Conference.

Finally, the committee took note of the work done by the International Educational Cinematographic Institute and expressed the hope that its activity would be extended and wider use made of the cinema as a means of disseminating information in favour of the League's work.

Co-operation of the Press in the Organization of Peace

The question of the collaboration of the Press in the organization of peace, which was the subject of an Assembly resolution in 1931, came before the Sixth Committee as the result of a Council decision to have a report prepared on the subject of "the dissemination of false information which may threaten to disturb the peace or the good understanding between nations."

A valuable contribution to the subject had been made by the Conference of Directors of Press Bureaux and Press Representatives at Copenhagen in January this year, and the problem had also been made the subject of consultation between the Secretary-General and various Press Organizations. It was generally agreed that two broad objects to aim at were greater independence of the press from outside control and greater freedom of access to news.

In the course of the Sixth Committee's discussion, several delegates suggested that the Governments might consider certain of the mechanical facilities suggested to meet difficulties such as those experienced by more distant countries in obtaining foreign news. This was a problem specially noted by the Roumanian delegate, and it bears close relation to the observations of the Italian and French delegates on the necessity for educating public opinion in international affairs.

The French delegate said he knew of no case in which a journalist had deliberately disseminated false news. It was possible to have tendentious and distorted or inspired news, news given undue prominence by suggestive headlines, incorrect news issued by Governments or Press Bureaux, or news fabricated by semi-official representatives of Press Bureaux which might mislead the most honourable journalists. A problem which was more serious than the dissemination of false news was the suppression of the truth.

The committee expressed the hope that a further conference, organized on similar lines to that held at Copenhagen, might be called to consider ways and means of assuring greater provision of accurate information, freedom of the press, and co-operation between the press organizations of the various countries.

The committee advocated the fullest possible publicity in connection with League meetings, the earlier and more complete distribution of documents, the supply to the press of the fullest possible information concerning the work of the League, and requested the Council to consider the possibilities of affording to journalists cheap facilities for communicating information to their newspapers through the League wireless station.

Collaboration of Women in the Organization of Peace

The Twelfth Assembly, at which the question of the collaboration of women in the organization of peace had been raised for the first time, had limited itself to the question of unofficial collaboration, as it had considered that official collaboration had already been settled by Article 7 of the Covenant, which stipulates that "all positions under or in connection with the League, including the Secretariat, shall be open to men and women."

The Sixth Committee of the Thirteenth Assembly was of the opinion that, as the Women's Organizations' memoranda were unanimous in attaching the greatest importance to official collaboration, it was justified in reconsidering