

composed of government representatives, is an undertaking independent of the League, the Secretary General of the League desires to express his appreciation of the generous action of the Swedish Red Cross. Notwithstanding that the field of action selected is not its own, the League has much pleasure in realizing that its appeal has not been in vain, a fact which constitutes a practical demonstration of the humanitarian solidarity which forms the essential principle of its action.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION.

The American Public Health Association at its recent meeting passed a series of resolutions on various matters relating to public health and sanitation. A number of these resolutions are reproduced for the benefit of the readers of the *Lancet*:

PHYSICAL TRAINING.

Whereas, The physical examination of school children and drafted men in the armies of the countries represented in the American Public Health Association has revealed a large amount of remediable defects, and that therefore legislation is necessary, whereby provision may be made for the correction of such defects by physical training and whereas it is further desirable that the youth of these countries be educated in the duties of citizenship, be it

Resolved, That steps should be taken to provide means to these ends under the direction of properly qualified persons, and that arrangements therefore be made through cooperation by the several federal, state and municipal governments.

NATIONAL MEDICAL EXAMINATION WEEK.

Whereas, The people of the several countries represented in the American Public Health Association have not as yet been effectively aroused to the necessity for periodical physical examination, be it

Resolved, That the American Public Health Association urges that a national medical examination week be appointed during the month of May, 1920; and that this Association unite in an educational movement with all national health, social and medical agencies of these several countries for the furtherance of this end.

CONTROL OF PLAGUE.

Whereas, The American Public Health Association recognizes the importance of thorough eradication measures for the control of plague in the seaports and districts where infection is likely to be introduced and spread by rats and ground squirrels, be it