

B2 thought it their business to bring before us such points for comment and criticism as would interest the world and this audience. Before I come to such criticisms as have been made, may I particularly call attention to the ~~speeches~~ speeches made by the Albanian representative and the Bulgarian representative, both of whom have had matters of great interest and great importance to bring before the Council, both of whom have made appeals to the Council, as to both of whose cases the Council have done their best to settle the difficulties and to smooth the paths, and both of whom have expressed in terms of the warmest kindness their sense of the services which, through its Council, the League of Nations has been able to perform in the last year. Of course I have no right to speak for anybody but myself, but I am quite confident that all my colleagues on the Council who dealt with these different matters with the spirit of anxiety to do what was possible, will feel grateful for the warm expression of thanks which the representatives of these two nations have given us.

There are only two other speeches in this category on which I need say anything. One is the speech of my Japanese colleague. That was a brief and admirable statement of the Japanese view, and I specially noted, partly because I should like publicly to thank him for the very kind personal references which he made to myself, ^{but} ~~and~~ partly also because he dwelt upon the great services to world disarmament and world peace which were performed by the Washington Conference (Applause). I think it most desirable that this great Society of Nations which is represented in this room should always recognise, and always recognise in the most generous terms, any services rendered to the great cause, of which no doubt they are the great representatives, by other organisations not directly connected with the League of Nations (Applause). I am confident that there is not a single one

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