

the Inter-Parliamentary Bureau is requested to transmit these resolutions to all the Groups of the Union and to all the Governments and Parliaments of the world."

(b) A system of customs agreement between the countries of Europe. (A system of customs agreement between the European countries was then put in the form of a resolution, but as the tariff is part of the political program in Canada, it does not seem advisable that this group should consider this resolution.)

(c) The abolition of passport visas.

(Discussion pp. 305-371)

"The Conference reiterates the recommendation of the Stockholm Conference in 1921 and the Berne-Geneva Conference in 1924 in favour of the abolition of passport visas, without prejudice to any measure which may be considered necessary for the security of the State."

(d) Reduction of Armaments.

(Reports, pp. 152-167; Discussion pp. 372-459; 524-529)

"Resolution:

The XXIVth Inter-Parliamentary Conference recalling the fact that the States Signatories of the Peace Treaties of 1919-20 and of the Covenant of the League of Nations, unanimously recognized that the maintenance of peace requires "the reduction of national armaments to the lowest point consistent with national safety and the enforcement by common action of international obligations";

Seeing that by virtue of the aforementioned peace treaties, the armaments of certain States have been reduced and limited "in order to render possible the initiation of a general limitation of the armaments of all nations";

Seeing that this preparation for a Convention of general limitation has, thanks to the sustained efforts of the Preparatory Disarmament Committee of the League of Nations, resulted, in spite of numerous reservations, in unanimously accepted drafts in favour of the limitation of armaments for land and air, but has not succeeded in reconciling the various points of view expressed in the matter of naval armaments;

Seeing that these failures have caused great disappointment to those who, suffering from the effects of the present economic disorder, count on seeing their hopes realized by means of the reduction of the burden of military organization;

Expresses the wish that the governments, basing themselves on the lofty principles of the Covenant of the League of Nations, employ with energy every means in their power to favour an appeal to arbitration in case of contest between States, to ensure security for each State, facilitate the general reduction of armaments and hasten the common work necessary for the achievement of this threefold result;

The Conference asks the Groups of the Union to work for this end within their respective Parliaments and with their Governments, with all the energy which the situation demands, and invites them to organize active popular propaganda in order that public opinion may express itself imperiously in favour of the reduction of armaments and the reign of justice between the nations."

(e) Codification of International Law.

(Reports, pp. 168-181; Discussion, pp. 460-521)

A. "In view of the importance and urgency of a progressive codification of International Law,