

gians and French did not agree with the Eastern Europeans that the answer was withdrawal, which, as the Danish Delegate pointed out, would be to admit defeat. When the question was referred to the Co-ordination and Drafting Committee over their protest, the Poles, Czechs, and Hungarians walked out as dramatically as might be and stayed away until the Programme and Budget Commission had concluded its deliberations. This gave them several days to enjoy the city while the rest of us suffered in sultry committee rooms but did not prevent their attending the various receptions which were being given and absorbing their full quota of champagne. Nor did it prevent a Czech and a Pole from making long speeches on the relation of the State to Education from the Marxist point of view at the public evening meetings in the Maison de la Chimie.

19. Refreshed by their rest they returned to the attack with renewed vigour and somewhat anticlimactic violence when the Plenary Sessions resumed. There was, of course, a great deal of sympathy for their sufferings and no attempt to pretend that their anxiety was unfounded. All the opposing speakers were elaborately careful of their susceptibilities and even when they had been deliberately insulting to the United States in particular, to the United Kingdom and France as the lesser occupying powers and to all the Atlantic Pact countries, went no further than to counsel sweet reasonableness and solution of the problem by democratic process of the vote. The Brazilian introduced a resolution containing a clause empowering the Executive Board to suspend activities in Germany if conditions were unfavourable to their success but the Pole considered that if the clause meant anything it would be applicable immediately. Perhaps they would not be able to prevent U.N.E.S.C.O. from being turned into a record to play the tunes of the Atlantic Pact, he said, but to these melodies, they would not march. During the luncheon period the French did some scurrying around to try to find a satisfactory compromise apparently without success. When the Brazilian resolution was voted on, the Poles, Czechs, and Hungarians were supported only by the Delegate of Israel. The Pole then read a declaration on behalf of the Polish, Czech, and Hungarian Governments reserving their position. The general feeling seems to be, however, that they are not planning to withdraw from U.N.E.S.C.O. at the present time.

20. On the question of U.N.E.S.C.O. activities in Japan, the Delegate from the Philippines opposed only the paragraph providing for the inclusion of Japanese experts in technical conferences on the grounds that this would appear to give Japan a kind of international status before the conclusion of a peace treaty. He was supported in this stand by the Australian delegation. To a Canadian question asking whether the "appropriate authority" referred to in the resolution meant S.C.A.P., the answer was in the affirmative. With this on the record we felt free to vote with the United States and United Kingdom for the adoption of the resolution as it stood.

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