

After luncheon the chair was taken by Mr. Rowell, Sir Robert Borden being unable to attend.

A letter was submitted from Sir Arthur Currie indicating that he would be absent in India to represent the Canadian Government at the opening of the Delhi Parliament and at the unveiling of the asoka column there, and intimating that it might, in consequence, be desirable to replace him on the board. The suggestion was not acted upon and the Honorary Secretary was instructed to write Sir Arthur, conveying the congratulations and best wishes of the Council.

Consideration was then given to the forthcoming conference in China in October. In this connection a communication was received from Mr. Frank Atherton, Treasurer of the Institute of Pacific Relations, submitting a budget of \$99,130.00 for 1931, for which he sought the approval of the Council as the Canadian national unit of the Institute of Pacific Relations and asked for support from Canada for the same, if possible, on the basis of twenty per cent increase over that of last year. Honorary Secretary was instructed to cable Mr. Atherton, approving the budget and stating that Canada would endeavour to raise \$7,500 as its quota.

With respect to the Canadian delegation it was felt that as it was intended to limit the number of American delegates to thirty, that those from Canada should not exceed fifteen, and a committee consisting of Sir Robert Borden, Hon. N.W. Rowell, Hon. Vincent Massey and the Honorary Secretary was appointed to consider a panel for the China Conference. It was decided to ask each of the eight branches to nominate one representative, leaving seven to be chosen by the panel in question.

The Chairman indicated that he might not be able to attend the conference and consideration was given to the question of a suitable chairman. Mr. Rowell was asked to take the matter in hand and consult certain individuals with a view to securing a suitable head for