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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

DECEMBER 1st 1921 AT 11.30 a.m.

Present:- Professor Gilbert Murray (in the Chair);
 Major J.D.Birchall, M.P., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont,
 Esq., David Davies, Esq. M.P., The Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson,
 K.B.E., The Viscountess Gladstone, The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles
 Hobhouse, Bt., Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Mrs.Walter Runciman,
 Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Raymond Unwin, Esq., Aneurin Williams,
 Esq., M.P., Sir Ellis Hume Williams, K.B.E., K.C., M.P., together
 with the General Secretary, Col.D.Borden-Turner, the Hon.Oliver
 Brett, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Captain Iothian Small and Mr.D.H.Mills.

M I N U T E S134. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held
 November 17th 1921 were approved as circulated.

135. SILESIA - MEMORANDUM.

The General Secretary reported that the memorandum on Upper
 Silesia had not been circulated as permission had not yet been
 obtained from the "Nineteenth Century" in which magazine Lord
 Robert Cecil's article would appear.

136. ALBANIA.

Professor Gilbert Murray read an interesting letter from Mr.
 H.A.I.Fisher on the meeting of the Council of the League of
 Nations in regard to Albania and Jugo-Slavia.

The Committee discussed how effect could best be given to
 some of the information contained in Mr.Fisher's letter. The
 General Secretary stated that Mr.Fisher was speaking at Nottingham
 on the following Monday and this presented a good opportunity
 for Mr.Fisher to make a statement on this matter.

Professor Gilbert Murray was asked if he would write to
 Mr.Fisher making this suggestion.

137. WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

The General Secretary reported the receipt of an acknowledgment
 from Mr.Balfour of the Committee's resolution in regard to the
 Washington Conference. He also reported the receipt of a cable-
 gram from Mr.Wilson Harris in reply to one asking if Mr.Harris
 was in possession of inside information which the Union should
 know.

Resolved:- "That Mr.Wilson Harris be asked to get
 into touch with the League to Enforce
 Peace in order to ascertain their attitude
 towards the Washington Conference, and also
 Mr.Gompers organisation of Associations for
 the Limitation of Armaments."

Mr.Aneurin Williams stated that a member of the Executive
 of the League to Enforce Peace was due to arrive in England in a
 day or two, and he would ask him to call upon the General Secretary.

138. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending November 28th 1921 shewed a bank overdraft amounting to \$22,420.48 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to \$2500.

139. INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION - REPORT OF MR. J. E. HERBERT.
(London Correspondent).

Mr. J. E. Herbert attended the Committee and gave a short report of the work of the third Conference of the International Labour Organisation in Geneva. He asked the permission of the Committee to circulate through the Headquarters of the I.L.O., regular information about the activities of the International Labour Office.

The General Secretary was requested to see Mr. Herbert to go further into details as to what he wished done, and to report to the next meeting of the Committee on any action taken.

140. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The reports of the following Committees were approved and adopted:-

Finance - 15.11.21.
Management - 24.11.21.
Editorial - 7.11.21.

1. Overseas Committee. The Committee approved and adopted the minutes of the Overseas Committee dated 15.11.21 including the following recommendations:-

- (a) Free Literature (250) That literature to the value of £100 be distributed free to overseas correspondents.
- (b) Restrictions as to Ex-enemy aliens (257). That the following be asked to serve upon a sub-Committee to recommend the policy of the Union in regard to the treatment and admission of ex-enemy aliens - Sir Willoughby Dickinson (Chairman), Sir Ellis Hume-Williams, Sir Charles Hobhouse, Mrs. Walter Runciman, together with Col. Borden-Turner.
- (c) International Conference at Frague. (260). In regard to a request of the Overseas Committee to arrange for draft resolutions representing the policy of the Union on the following subjects already placed on the agenda -
 - (i) Limitation of Armaments.
 - (ii) Prohibition of the manufacture of Arms by private enterprise.
 - (iii) Registration of Treaties.
 - (iv) Additional Members of the Council of the League.
 - (v) Minorities and Race Equality.

it was

- Resolved:-
- (a) "That (i) and (ii) be referred to the Limitation of Armaments sub-Committee."
 - (b) "That (iii) and (iv) be referred to the sub-Committee which made a recommendation in regard to amendments to the Covenant."

- (c) "That the following be asked to serve on the Committee to draft resolutions in regard to No.(v): Sir Willoughby Dickinson, Professor Gilbert Murray, Mr.Charles Roberts, The Viscountess Gladstone, Aneurin Williams, Esq. M.P.,
- (d) Japanese Society and the Washington Conference (262). The Committee agreed to the recommendation of the Overseas Committee that questions of policy submitted to the Union from overseas should be referred to the Executive Committee should it so happen that the Executive meets before the Overseas Committee."
- (e) Possible Economies sub-Committee. Mr.David Davies agreed that the Overseas Committee should reconsider the question of the circulation of the whole of the minutes of that Committee to the Executive Committee and so conform with the recommendation of the Possible Economies sub-Committee that only summaries of Committees be sent to the Executive.
2. Religions and Ethics - 16.11.21. The Committee considered the report of the Committee of Religions and Ethics, but did not approve of the alterations suggested in the aims and policy of that Committee.
- Resolved:- "That if the Committee of Religions and Ethics press their view in regard to these alterations they should be asked to send a representative to the Executive Committee to explain why these alterations were necessary."
3. Parliamentary Questionnaire. Mrs.Strachey stated that the Parliamentary Questionnaire sub-Committee wished to reconsider the questionnaire which was now before the Executive, but asked the approval of the Executive Committee that the submitted questionnaire may be used for the next two by-election
- Resolved:- "That the questionnaire be approved temporarily."
4. Appeals - 20.11.21. The General Secretary reported orally upon the decision of the Appeals Committee held the day previous. The Appeals Committee wished the approval of the Executive to a matinee to be held in January in aid of the Appeal.
- Resolved:- "To approve of this matinee being held."
5. Staff Appointments Committee. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held immediately prior to the Executive. The Committee made certain recommendations for increases of salary which would only become operative if the £40,000 Budget for 1922 was adopted by the Executive Committee at their next meeting.
141. IMITATION OF ARMAMENTS. The General Secretary mentioned a letter he had received from the Rev.Carey Bonner in regard to the displacement of labour as a result of the cancellation of four capital battleships by the Government.
- Resolved:- "That a popular pamphlet be written by the Union on this subject, and that the points as made by the General Secretary in his reply to the Rev.Carey Bonner be stated in these pamphlets."

142. ASSEMBLY - ATTENDANCE OF PRIME MINISTER AND ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The Committee considered a memorandum on the attendance of the Prime Minister to the Assembly and on the election of Assembly representatives.

Resolved:- " That a resolution on these subjects be drafted for the next meeting, of the Council in January, and that the policy of the Union in regard to these matters be afterwards published in 'Headway'".

143. PROHIBITION IN ICELAND AND SPANISH PRESSURE.

The Committee considered a memorandum on the Prohibition in Iceland and Spanish pressure, together with the resolutions of the General Council of the United Kingdom Alliance on this matter.

Resolved:- "That before the Committee frames a resolution on this matter the General Secretary should get into touch with the Spanish Embassy, and ask their views and report at the next meeting."

144. "HEADWAY" - COMMUNICATION FROM ADVERTISING AGENTS.

A communication from the advertising agents of the Union in regard to an advertisement, of German origin, for insertion in "Headway", was discussed.

Resolved:- "That such advertisement be printed in 'Headway'".

145. CO-OPTATIONS.

Resolved:- "That the following gentlemen be asked to become members of the Executive Committee:"

Josiah Wedgwood, Esq., M.P.
Lord Vernon.

146. MR. G.T. THOMAS.

The Committee considered the following Minute of the Finance Committee dated November 15th:

"That the Committee had considered the letter from Mr. G.T. Thomas but they were of opinion that the Union was under no obligation to make a grant to Mr. Thomas and that unless the Chairman of the Executive thought there were special reasons for making a grant, a grant should not be made."

Resolved:- "That the matter be referred to Lord Robert Cecil for decision."

147. PILGRIMAGE.

Resolved:- "That no Pilgrimage be held in 1922."

148. OTHER BUSINESS.

The following matters were adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee:-

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- (a) Branches and sending Resolutions to Government.
- (b) Report to representatives of the I.N.U. to meeting of Council of International Societies at Vienna.
- (c) Status of Eastern Galicia.

Robert Cecil

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

DECEMBER 15th 1921 AT 11.30 A.M.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman); The Rt.Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P.; Sir John Barran, Bt.; Major J.D. Birchall, M.P.; Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., David Davids, Esq. M.P., The Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., The Viscountess Gladstone, Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon, D.Sc., Ph.D., John H.Harris, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., F.N.Keen, Esq., Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P., A.Whitehead, Esq.; together with the General Secretary, Col.Borden Turner, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, the Hon. Oliver Brett, Major W.E.G.Murray, Captain Lothian Small and Mr.D.H.Mills.

M I N U T E S

149. BUDGET.

The General Secretary reported that the Finance Committee had met on two occasions but had been unable to come to a unanimous recommendation in regard to a Budget for the year 1922. Certain members of the Committee desired the expenditure of the Union to continue at its present rate. Others desired that it should be reduced immediately to £20,000. The Chairman of the Committee had proposed that the expenditure during the next year should be £24,000, and that £6,000 of the income of the Union should be allocated towards paying off a portion of the present overdraft. It was now for the Executive Committee of the Union to decide what the Budget should be for next year.

The General Secretary proposed that during 1922 the Union should pay off the whole of its overdraft, estimated at £26,200 at December 31st 1921, and expend in addition £26,000. In support of this ~~proposal~~ he laid before the Committee a list shewing that in view of donation promises just received, the Union was already assured of £37,500 for 1922, together with a further probable income making the necessary total sum of £62,200 without taking more than £10,000 from the products of provincial appeals. (See appendices (a), (b), (c) and (d).

Lord Queenborough gave a resumé of the discussions at the Finance Committee meetings. On the motion of Lord Queenborough seconded by Mr.David Davies, it was

Resolved:- "That the Committee approves of the Budget presented by the Secretary, amounting to £26,000 for the year 1922, and resolves that any amounts received in excess of this amount after the Bank overdraft has been paid off shall be allocated to a reserve fund to secure a permanent income for the work of the Union."

The Chairman expressed the gratitude of the Committee to Mr.David Davies for his care and diligence in the matter of the Budget, and said how imperative it was in his mind that the Union should continue at least for 1922 on a £26,000 Budget and was glad that the Executive had come to a unanimous decision on the point. He desired to take the opportunity to express to the General Secretary the Committee's complete confidence in him and to pay tribute to his ability and devotion

to the work.

The General Secretary stated that the acceptance of the Budget involved certain economies, and he asked the support of the Executive Committee to carry out these economies which would come up in the report of the Staff Appointments Committee.

The Chairman was authorised to send a special letter of thanks on behalf of the Committee to Mr. Sydney Boulton (Chairman of Iloyds) and to Mr. Herbert Worsley, for the magnificent gift of £5000 which had been secured from the Corporation of Iloyds as a result of the efforts of these two gentlemen.

150. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held December 1st 1921 were approved as circulated.

151. SILESIA MEMORANDUM!

Mr. David Davies drew the attention of the Committee to the fact that the pamphlet on Upper Silesia had not been printed and therefore could not be sent to the Societies in Germany and Poland. A matter of two or three months had elapsed since the report of the Committee on Upper Silesia had been prepared.

Resolved:- "That if delay was probable in future in regard to such matters, a memorandum drafted by the Chairman and Secretary should be available for circulation.

152. INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANISATION - MR. J.E. HERBERT.

The General Secretary reported in accordance with the last minutes that he had seen Mr. Herbert, the London correspondent of the International Labour Office. The General Secretary had agreed that I.L.O. literature should be sent to the I.N.U. Headquarters and these should be sent to the Branches with the monthly mail. The General Secretary further agreed that if the I.L.O. wished publicity to be given to any urgent matter which might come before the House of Commons, the Union should circularise the branches, or if the matter was very urgent to the more important branches and to the Regional representatives.

Mr. Herbert had agreed that all expenses in connection with these arrangements should be borne by the I.L.O.

Resolved:- "To approve of the General Secretary's arrangements."

153. COMMITTEE ON RELIGIONS AND ETHICS.

In accordance with a previous minute the Committee received Mr. Harry Lewis, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee of Religions and Ethics, who explained the reason for the Committee's desire to change the aims and objects of the Committee so that they should read as follows:-

- (1) To link up all religions in order to secure united spiritual support for the ideals of the League of Nations in the interests of universal righteousness, brotherhood and peace.
- (2) To increase the membership of the League of Nations Union among such bodies (i.e. religious and ethical bodies) and among religious and ethical thinkers

of any other country which has no similar section or committee in its own League of Nations organisation.

Resolved:- "That the Executive Committee could not agree to the suggested alteration of the aims and objects of the Committee of Religion and Ethics.

Mr. Harry Lewis was thanked for his attendance.

154. PROHIBITION IN ICELAND AND SPANISH PRESSURE.

The General Secretary reported that he had not seen the Spanish Embassy, but on the advice of Lord Robert Cecil he was arranging to see the competent person at the Foreign Office.

155. MR. G. T. THOMAS.

The Chairman stated that he had seen Mr. G. T. Thomas, and as the Committee had referred the final decision to him he had agreed that Mr. Thomas be granted £25 unless the Executive did not agree.

Resolved:- "That a grant of £25 be made to Mr. Thomas."

156. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending December 12th 1921 showed a bank overdraft amounting to £24,317.13.6 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £23,300.

157. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Editorial Committee - 8.12.21. The Committee approved and adopted the report of the Editorial Committee with the exception of the following resolution:-

"That this Committee are of opinion that, as a result of pressure from the Union, the character of 'Headway' appears to have been changed from that laid down in the estimate prepared by Mr. Squire, approved by the Editorial Committee on June 24th, and subsequently approved by the Executive. The Committee think it desirable that the Editor should be provided with the fullest possible material but that she should be given a completely free hand in the conduct of the paper."

Mr. Hamilton Fyfe, the acting Chairman of the Committee attended to represent the Committee.

The General Secretary explained that the Editorial Committee had not merely complained of the December 'Headway' (which had been hurriedly put together in the absence through illness of the editor, and which he agreed was entirely unsatisfactory) but it strongly objected to the General Secretary having intervened to secure the inclusion in the November 'Headway' of Lord Lansdowne's letter, Lord Cowdray's letter, and an abstract of Mr. Henry Bell's speech, instead of giving the editor a completely free hand to omit these items.

The Editorial Committee apparently desired to confine the news of the I.N.U. to three columns of small print, whereas in the General Secretary's view 'Headway' owed, not only the greater part of its 50,000 circulation, but also its very existence, to the fact that it was the principal means of communication between the Executive Committee and the members of the Union.

Considerable discussion took place upon the style of "Headway" and especially upon the November number which was more of a "Parish Magazine" type rather than of the type of a "New Statesman" which was the first recommendation of the Executive Committee. The Committee

- Resolved:- (A) That there shall be added to the title page of "Headway" (under the heading) the words "Published by the League of Nations Union."
- (b) That "Headway" shall consist of two parts:
(1) a review of the Worlds Affairs and of the doings of the League of Nations: (2) a record of the proceedings of the I.N.U.
- (c) That there shall be a division between the two parts, and that the Worlds Affairs part should come first, and after a distinct division devised by the Editorial Committee should come the Union's part.

It was to be recognised that in all matters directly affecting the Union as such the General Secretary acting under the instructions of the Executive Committee must have control. This would especially apply to that part of "Headway" devoted to the affairs of the Union. Subject to this it was desirable that the Editor should have as free a hand as possible, and the Editorial Committee were asked to work out a scheme on these lines. It was vital that the already over-burdened General Secretary should not be expected to deal more than was necessary for the above purposes with the Editorial side of the work.

(b) Staff Appointments Committee. The General Secretary reported orally upon the Staff Appointments Committee held immediately prior to the Executive meeting. The report was adopted but the Editorial Committee were asked to consider ^{the suggestion} ~~the~~ General Secretary's recommendation in regard to the editorship of "Headway." *Done*

158. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned until 11 o'clock on the following day.

Robert Cecil

(Appendices (a)(b)(c)(d) referred to in
Minute 149 inserted after Minute 169)

Done
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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON FRIDAY,

DECEMBER 16th 1921 AT 11 O'CLOCK.

PRESENT:- The Rt. Hon. Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman);
Mrs. A.W. Claremont, David Davies, Esq. M.P. Lady Denman, The
Viscountess Gladstone, John H. Harris, Esq., F.A. Keen, Esq.:
Mrs. Oliver Strachey: together with the General Secretary,
Col. Borden Turner, Mr. A.J.C. Freshwater, the Hon. Oliver Brett,
Captain Lothian Small and Mr. D.H. Mills.

M I N U T E S

159. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee proceeded to discuss reports of the sub-Committees:

(a) German sub-Committee - 12.12.21. The German sub-Committee submitted the following suggestions in regard to a request of the Executive Committee for advice as to methods of bringing Germany into the League of Nations:- only pm

1. That she should be assured by the British Government that her entry is earnestly desired, and that an application would not be opposed by France.
2. That the demand for reparations be revised and confined to the restoration of damage inflicted on civilians during the war.
3. That the French troops evacuate Dusseldorf, Ruhrort, and Duisberg forthwith.
4. That coloured troops be no longer stationed on German territory.
5. That the army of occupation be considerably reduced, and that the administration be conducted with more consideration for the feeling and welfare of the inhabitant.
6. That the question of military disarmament be pressed forward in order that Germany's neighbour as well as herself may be called upon to submit to a limitation of their armed forces.
7. That Germany be assured of a seat on the Council when she becomes a member of the League of Nations.
8. That the attention of the German people be drawn to the fact that the Treaty contains no statement that Germany is solely responsible for the war; and that it is desirable that the Assembly in accordance with Article 19 should recommend the ~~provision~~ ^{renewal} of Article 231 ascribing the entire guilt of the war to Germany and her allies.

The Committee

Resolved:- (a) That in regard to (1) the Executive Committee should recommend to the Council of the Union

at its next meeting in January that the British Government should actively and openly work for the early admission of Germany to the League.

- (b) "In regard to (2) to reply that the question of reparations is being considered by the Economic sub-Committee, and that the Executive hope to formulate, after the receipt of this report, the policy of the Union in regard to this matter."
- (c) "In reference to (3) (4) and (5) it was agreed to point out to the German sub-Committee that these depended upon the revision of the Treaty of Versailles, and that until the revision of this Treaty takes place it is impossible for the League to do anything. The best course for Germany to pursue would be to apply for a revision of the Treaty and that could best be done by Germany when she becomes a member of the League. (The Executive Committee were agreed that the points made in (3), (4) and (5) by the German sub-Committee were desirable, but it was only a question of machinery to get them carried out)."
- (d) "The Committee agreed to (6)."
- (e) "That the sub-Committee be informed that in the opinion of the ^{Executive Committee} ~~Union~~ Germany should be a member of the Council of the League. (7)."
- (f) "The Executive Committee considered that the Union as such could take no action in regard to (8)."

The Committee resolved to take no action in regard to a letter received from Mr. Alfred Hicks, a member of the German sub-Committee, criticising the Executive for action taken, or not taken, in regard to War Guilt, Sanctions, Economic sub-Committee, and the question of Upper Silesia.

The reports of the following Committees were approved and adopted:-

Finance - 30.11.21 and 6.12.21.
 Appeals - 30.11.21.
 Education - 2.12.21.
 Labour Advisory - 6.12.21.
 Management - 8.12.21.
 Women's Advisory - 6.12.21.
 Mandates - 9.12.21.
 Christian Organisations - 7.12.21.

160. BRANCHES AND SENDING OF RESOLUTIONS TO GOVERNMENT.

The Committee agreed to the following recommendations of the Management Committee:-

- (a) "That branches should be free to send to the Government whatever resolutions they may pass on the subject of the League of Nations provided that such resolutions should clearly express the fact that they are resolutions of the branch and not of the Executive Committee of the Union".

- (b) "That copies of all such resolutions should be sent to Headquarters."
- (c) "That the existing practice of the Executive Committee in suggesting from time to time draft resolutions for the consideration of branches should not be interfered with."

161. REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE L.N.U. TO THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETIES AT VIENNA.

The Committee received a report of the L.N.U. ^{as} to the ~~the~~ International Societies at Vienna.

162. STATUS OF EASTERN GALICIA.

The Committee considered a letter from Dr. Lewitsky and Dr. S. Witwitsky of the delegation for Ukrainian National Council urging that the Union should take steps to bring about a meeting of the Supreme Council with a view to settling the political status of East Galicia and a memorandum pointing out that the Assembly in September passed the following resolution:-

"That this Assembly of the League of Nations expresses the wish that the Council of the League draw the attention of the Supreme Council to the desirability of determining at an early date the status of E. Galicia."

Resolved:- "That the Government be asked to press for a meeting of the Supreme Council at the earliest opportunity and ask them to come to a speedy decision in regard to East Galicia, and
2. to ask for any information in regard to the Assembly resolution."

163. NATIONAL APPEAL.

The General Secretary read a letter from Mr. David Davies pointing out that it was undesirable to proceed with the financial campaign in Wales as it seemed to be apparent that very little response, if any, would be obtained.

The General Secretary pointed out in this connection that the returns from Wales in regard to the formation of branches and membership was unsatisfactory, and it was

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary should get into touch with Mr. David Davies and request that a representative from Headquarters should be asked to attend the next meeting of the Welsh Council."

164. CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman at this stage left the meeting and the chair was occupied by Mr. F.N. Keen.

165. LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS - NEWCASTLE CONFERENCE RESOLUTION.

The Committee considered the following resolution of the Newcastle Limitation of Armaments Conference:-

"While hoping that the proposals made at Washington will be accepted by this Government, we urge upon H.M. Government the consideration of the provision of remunerative work owing to the cancellation of the warship orders."

The General Secretary reported that he had been asked by a previous meeting of the Committee to draft a pamphlet on this subject. He therefore, subject to the Committee's agreement, proposed to have a pamphlet drafted on the lines of a letter which he had written to the Rev. Carey Bonner, and which he read to the Committee.

Resolved:- "To agree to the General Secretary's proposal."

166. LEAGUE PUBLICITY.

Resolved:- "That in the absence of Mr. David Davies (who had left in the early stages of the meeting) the memorandum on League Publicity be adjourned until he could be present."

167. LABOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The General Secretary read a letter from Mr. Stuart Bunning and Mr. Henry Vivian, resigning their seats from the Labour Advisory Committee as they had not time to serve. Mr. Stuart Bunning also requested that his name be taken off other Committees of the Union as he had not sufficient time to give to the work involved.

Resolved:- "That the resignations of Mr. Stuart Bunning and Mr. Henry Vivian be accepted with regret; but that a letter be written to Mr. Bunning requesting that he would remain a member of the Executive Committee."

It was further

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary be asked to see Mr. Clynes with a view to getting his suggestions as to who could be asked to serve instead of the two gentlemen resigned."

In the event of Mr. Josiah Wedgwood accepting a seat on the Committee, that his advice also be asked.

168. NEXT MEETING OF COMMITTEE.

Resolved:- "That the next meeting of the Executive Committee be held on the first Thursday in January."

169. BANKS - SUBSCRIPTION LIST.

The General Secretary pointed out that the Management Committee had at its last meeting adopted a resolution that a deposit account be opened at the National Provincial Bank in the name of the League of Nations Union, into which all donations to the Central Fund of the Union as a result of the cards exhibited in the respective offices of the bank may be paid.

He now wanted the Committee to pass a similar resolution in regard to the other four joint Stock Banks, i.e., London

County and Westminster Bank, Barclays, London Joint City and Midland, and Lloyds.

Resolved:- 'That the resolution of the Management Committee be applicable in the case of each of the banks named.'

Robert Cecil

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

Summary of estimated Income and Expenditure for 1922

<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>£.</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>£.</u>
Current Expenditure (for details see separate sheet)	36,000	Promised donations and capitation fees (for details see separate sheet)	37,500
Repayment of total bank overdraft at 31st December, 1921	26,200	Estimated donations on 1921 basis	17,800
		Allocation from probable product of provincial appeals	<u>10,000</u>
			£ 65,300
		Less cost of Appeals Department	3,100
	<u>£ 62,200</u>		<u>£ 62,200</u>

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Estimated receipts during 1922.

Promises.

The Viscount Cowdray	2.
Corporation of Lloyds	15,000
Professor and Lady Mary Murray	3,000
Messrs. L. & N. Rothschild	500
Federation of Boot & Shoe Mfrs.	500
The Rt. Hon. T. R. Perens	250
Sir Henry Proctor	200
J. D. Marsden, Esq.	100
	<u>100</u>
	221,650

Branch Appeals:

Midlands	9,000
Lancashire	1,500
Yorkshire	650
Finchley	900
Highgate	500
Hornsey	300
Hampstead	<u>300</u>
	213,350
Capitation fees	<u>2,500</u>
	237,500

Probable:

Joint Stock Banks	3,500
Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Co.	1,000
Anglo-Persian Oil Co.	500
Sir Thomas Royden	<u>500</u>
	25,500

General Donations — reckoned as equal to the amount (£17,800) received under this head during 1921, less the four amounts already included above as probable

£12,300 £17,800

£ 55,300

Less estimated cost of the Appeals Department ...

3,100

£ 52,200

Note. Seeing that this total (£52,200) is independent of any amounts (except such as have already been promised) to be received from provincial appeals, many of which have still to be launched, and some of which have only just been launched, and is also apart from monies to be received from co-operative societies, it is reasonable to assume that the total amount received by the Union during next year will exceed the above estimate by £10,000. This would allow for an expenditure of £36,000 in addition to wiping off the whole of the bank overdraft, which it is estimated will not exceed £26,200 on 31st December, 1921.

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Estimate of current expenditure during 1922

Estimated expenditure for 1921		Estimated expenditure for 1922
2,073	A. Administration	2,158
616	B. Education and Publicity	2
4385	(a) 1. Publicity Secretary	650
4000	2. Publications	3035
1830	3. Public Meetings	2455
-	4. Other publicity	700
1411	5. Library	100
7520	6. Branches	1587
	(i) Central Organisation	8408
	(ii) Regional	
500	(b) Indirect	500
854	1. Overseas Secretary	723
600	2. Overseas	682
592	3. Parliamentary	450
450	4. Teaching	450
-	5. Labour	-
640	6. Christian Organisations	50
	7. Religion & Ethics	-
	8. Women's Organisations	-
23,627		19,840
700	C. Establishment	700
3546	1. Deputy Secretary	3308
1030	2. Clerical Services	1066
1200	3. Accounts	1200
1450	4. Stationery and office requisites	1400
3746	5. Postages and Telegrams	3359
11,672	6. Office Maintenance	11,013
1,835	D. Other Expenditure	989
-	Contingency Fund	
	(including 255 for approved increases in wages)	2,000
39,207		36,000

* Includes £2,000 out of £5,000 contingency fund provided in estimates

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Statement of estimated Assets and Liabilities

on December 31st, 1921

(including promises payable over a period of 3 or 5 years)

- ASSETS -

Promises:	£	£
Viscount Cowdray	45,000	
Corporation of Lloyds	5,000	
Professor and Lady Murray	1,500	
Messrs. N. M. Rothschild	2,000	
Federation of Boot & Shoe Mfrs.	630	
Rt. Hon. T. R. Perens	900	
J. D. Marsdon, Esq.	200	
Sir Henry Proctor	300	55,530
Branch Appeal Funds		<u>13,350</u>
		68,880
Office Furniture		1,000
		<u>£ 69,880</u>

- LIABILITIES -

Bank Overdraft	26,200	
Outstanding Accounts		
for purchases, expenses, etc.	4,000	
" Rent and Rates	2,395	
" Repairs and Painting	500	
" 3 months' Salaries	3,400	36,495
Estimated excess of Assets over Liabilities		<u>£ 33,385</u>

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

JANUARY 5th 1922 AT 11.30 A.M.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman); Percy Bigland, Esq.; Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., The Viscountess Gladstone, Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon, D.Sc., Ph.D., F.N.Ken, Esq., Oswald Mosley, Esq. M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Henry Vivian, Esq., J.P.; together with the General Secretary, Col.Borden Turner, the Hon.Oliver Brett, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Captain Small and Mr.D.H.Mills.

M I N U T E S170. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were read from Sir Arthur Haworth, Mrs.Walter Runciman, John H.Harris, Esq., Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice, Aneurin Williams, Esq. M.P. and Major Gen.the Rt.Hon. J.E.B.Seely,

171. MINUTES.

Subject to verbal alterations in minutes 149, 152, 157, 159 (8), 159 (e) and 161, the minutes of the last two meetings of the Executive Committee held December 15th and December 16th 1921 were approved as circulated.

172. PROHIBITION IN ICELAND AND SPANISH PRESSURE.

The General Secretary reported that Col.Borden Turner had been to see the competent official at the Foreign Office in regard to the question of prohibition in Iceland and Spanish pressure. This official considered that it would be quite outside the province either of the League or the I.N.U. to attempt to criticise or interfere with the action of the Spanish Government in regard to Norway and Iceland, but he hoped that the I.N.U. would hold meetings and protest against the proposed tariff barrier against the British manufactured goods, and send accounts of these meetings to the Spanish Embassy.

The Committee were of opinion that this was a question which arose in the Covenant under Article 23 (e) or on the more general question of the peace of the world, and suggested that a small sub-Committee should be appointed to consider generally the question of the effect of tariffs on the peace of the world.

Resolved:- "That a small Committee of five be appointed and the nomination of this Committee was left to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and the General Secretary."

173. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

The General Secretary reported that letters had been sent to the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary, and also the Secretary-General of the League in regard to a resolution of the last meeting of the Executive Committee pressing for an early meeting of the Supreme Council to consider the question of the status of East Galicia.

The General Secretary was requested to make further enquiries as to the present position and report to the next meeting of the Committee.

174. MR. G. H. STUART BUNNING.

The resignation of Mr. G. H. Stuart Bunning from the Executive Committee was accepted with regret.

175. LABOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The General Secretary was asked to repeat his request to Mr. J. R. Clynes to nominate from the Executive Committee two members to serve on the Labour Advisory Committee.

176. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending 31st December showed a Bank overdraft amounting to £21,116.10.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £4,500.

177. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

(a) Finance and Appeals - 21.12.21. The epitome of the minutes of the Finance & Appeals Committee was approved and adopted, except that consideration of the minute "Changes in staff" was adjourned until the views of the Editorial Committee had been received.

(b) Overseas Committee - 14.12.21. The minutes of the Overseas Committee were approved and adopted.

* Prague International Conference. In regard to a request of the Overseas Committee that the Executive Committee should prepare a resolution on the following subjects, in connection with the Prague Conference:-

1. Compulsory jurisdiction of the Permanent Court of International Justice.
 2. Functions of the Press in international relations.
 3. Means of bringing about the universality of the League of Nations;
 4. Distribution of Raw Materials;
 5. The advisability of creating a panel of eminent persons who could be called upon to form advisory commissions to deal with disputes of a non-legal character referred to the I. of N.
 6. Encouragement of foreign travel, correspondence and trade, and closer relations generally between peoples of different countries;
 7. Adoption of French, English, Esperanto or some other language as the accepted common medium for communications between people of different countries.
- it was Resolved:- (i) That (1) and (2) be referred to the Amendments to the Covenant Committee.
- (ii) That a resolution be drafted on (2) after the consideration of Mr. David Davies' resolution on publicity.
- (iii) That (4) be referred to the Economic sub-Committee.
- (iv) The Committee agreed with (5) but asked Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon if she would suggest a term of reference in accordance with the views of the Committee.

(v) In regard to (6) the Committee considered the following resolution prepared by Col. Borden Turner: "That the I. of N. Societies should organise summer schools in foreign countries in co-operation as far as possible with the societies existing in these countries and that M. Ruyssen be instructed to arrange for an international summer school during the summer of 1923." Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon was asked if she would kindly re-draft a resolution in regard to this for the next meeting of the Committee also.

(vi) The Executive Committee considered that as the question of an International language was already before the Assembly there was no necessity for a resolution of the Executive Committee.

A recommendation of the Overseas Committee that the General Secretary be authorised to come to an arrangement with M. Ruyssen as to people in this country who might be invited to subscribe to the International Federation, was approved and adopted.

(c) Labour Advisory Committee. The report of the Labour Advisory Committee dated January 3rd 1922 was adopted.

178. ECONOMIC SUB-COMMITTEE.

The consideration of the report of the Economic sub-Committee was adjourned until after the next meeting of the Economic sub-Committee. Meanwhile Lord Robert Cecil was authorised to present the findings of the Committee to the Council if the final report of that Committee should be ready in time.

179. DISARMAMENT TREATY.

Consideration of Lord Robert Cecil's draft Disarmament Treaty, together with a memorandum by Major Gen. Sir Frederick Maurice on the same subject was adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee. It was hoped the sub-Committee of the Committee on Limitation of Armaments would meet in the near future.

180. ALIENS RESTRICTION ACT.

The Committee received a report of the sub-Committee which was appointed to recommend the policy of the Union in regard to the admission of ex-enemy aliens. The sub-Committee recommended that in as much as the Home Secretary had granted the necessary permission to ex-enemy students desiring to attend the Universities, the Union should take no action.

Resolved:- "To adopt the report of the sub-Committee and to take no action."

181. PROPOSED MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

Arising out of a proposal by Mr. David Davies that the Union should declare its policy in regard to a suggestion that the Geddes Committee proposed the merging of the War Office, the Admiralty and the Air Ministry into one department, to be known as the Ministry of Defence, the Committee considered a memorandum from Major Gen. Sir F. Maurice.

Resolved:- "That no action be taken."

182. FUTURE POLICY OF THE LEAGUE.

A memorandum on the future policy of the League by Lord Robert Cecil was considered. Lord Robert asked that the Committee should approve of the memorandum in principle, and stated that he

wished to base his remarks to the General Council on this memorandum.

Resolved:- "That the memorandum be approved in principle and Lord Robert Cecil was authorised to move resolutions in that sense on behalf of the Committee.

Lord Robert Cecil promised to include a paragraph urging that women should be members of League of Nations Commissions, and promised to write to Sir Eric Drummond in regard to the appointment of women on the Secretariat.

183. GENERAL COUNCIL - AGENDA.

The Committee considered a draft Council agenda, but as several of the resolutions were covered by the resolutions to be moved by Lord Robert Cecil, it was

Resolved:- "That the draft agenda be amended accordingly."

184. BIRTHDAY MESSAGE - JANUARY 10th 1922.

The General Secretary stated that several editors had promised to publish an account of the League's second year of work on January 10th the birthday of the League. He asked that a member of the Committee should write an hortatory introduction to the account of the year's work.

The Committee approved and at the request of the Committee Mrs. Oliver Strachey agreed to write the introduction.

185. WASHINGTON DELEGATES - PUBLIC MEETING.

The General Secretary suggested that the British Delegates to the Washington Conference should be invited to attend a public meeting of welcome when they would be asked to speak on the work of the Washington Conference.

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary should endeavour to arrange for such a meeting."

Gilbert Murray

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNIONMINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W. 1, ON

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19th, 1922, AT 11.30am.

PRESENT: Professor Gilbert Murray (In the Chair),
 Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, M.P., Percy Bigland, Esq.,
 Mrs A.W. Claremont, The Viscountess Gladstone, John H.
 Harris, Esq., The Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt.,
 F.N. Keen, Esq., Mrs Walter Runciman, Raymond Unwin, Esq.,
 Sir Ellis Hume Williams, K.B.E., K.C., M.P., together
 with the General Secretary, The Hon. Oliver Brett,
 Mr. A.J.C. Freshwater, Major W.E.G. Murray, Captain
 Lothian Small, and Mr D.H. Mills.

MINUTES.186. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were read from the Rt. Hon.
 Lord Robert Cecil and Sir Arthur Haworth.

187. CHAIRMAN.

In the absence of Lord Robert Cecil, the Chair was
 taken by Professor Gilbert Murray.

188. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held
 January 5th, 1922, were approved as circulated.

189. TARIFF WARS.

The General Secretary stated that in reference to the
 discussion of the Committee in regard to prohibition in
 Iceland and Spanish pressure, and the decision to appoint
 a small sub-Committee to consider generally the question
 of the effect of tariffs on the peace of the world, Lord
 Robert Cecil had nominated the following sub-Committee:
 Sir Arthur Shirley Bann, Sir Arthur Haworth, W.T. Layton, Esq.,
 Sir Ellis Hume Williams, and Lord Robert Cecil.

190. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

The General Secretary reported that he had written
 to the Secretary General of the League of Nations enquiring
 as to the present position in regard to East Galicia, but a
 reply had not been received.

191. PRAGUE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE - RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee approved of the following term of
 reference suggested by Mrs Ogilvie Gordon in place of
 No. 5 submitted by the Overseas Committee:-

- (a) "The advisability of creating a panel of
 eminent persons who could be called upon
 to serve on advisory commissions or other
 bodies formed under the organs of the
 League, including the International Court

of Justice, to deal with questions requiring special knowledge and experience."

The Committee adopted the following draft suggested by Mrs Ogilvie Gordon in regard to a request of the Overseas Committee that a resolution should be framed encouraging foreign travel, correspondence and trade, and closer relations generally between peoples of different countries:-

"That with a view to promoting social interchange between countries and a better understanding of the national trends of thought and action in different countries, the League of Nations Societies should organise international summer schools, in co-operation as far as possible with the Societies existing in the countries visited, and that M. Ruyssen be instructed to arrange for an international summer school during the summer of 1927."

192. PROPOSED MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

The General Secretary intimated that Mr David Davies wished to raise the question of the proposed Ministry of Defence at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

193. FUTURE POLICY OF THE LEAGUE.

It was decided to ask Lord Robert Cecil that his memorandum on the future policy of the League should be incorporated in his speech to the Council on the following day rather than that it be submitted on behalf of the Executive Committee.

Professor Gilbert Murray promised to speak to Lord Robert about this.

194. WASHINGTON DELEGATES - PUBLIC MEETING.

The General Secretary stated that an invitation had been extended to the Washington Delegates to address a Public meeting or attend a dinner organised by the League of Nations Union, but no reply had been received.

195. RELIGIONS AND ETHICS.

The General Secretary read a letter from the Rev. Walter Walsh, D.D. protesting against the decision of the Executive Committee to delete the words "To link up all religions" from the statement of aims of the Committee of Religions and Ethics.

Professor Gilbert Murray was asked to reply to Dr Walsh.

196. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending January 16th, 1922, showed a bank overdraft amounting to £20,457.5.7. with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £4500.

197. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Religions and Ethics - 9.1.22. The minutes of the Committee of Religions and Ethics were approved and adopted.

(b) Editorial - 12.1.22. Mr J.C. Squire was present during the consideration of these minutes which were approved and adopted.

- (i) "Headway". The Committee agreed to the recommendation of the Editorial Committee that the title of 'Headway' should remain as it stands, that the last sentence of the italic paragraph (above the monthly perspective) be deleted, and the first sentence of the italics paragraph should read as follows:-

"'Headway' is published by the League of Nations Union, but opinions expressed in signed articles must not be taken as representing 'the official views of the Union'".

- (ii) Miss Brodie. The Committee approved the recommendation of the Committee that Miss Brodie should continue to edit "Headway" at a salary of £700 earning another £200 as assistant to the Director of Publicity, or in some other branch of the Union's work. The General Secretary for the information of the committee read a letter dated January 6th which he had received from Miss Brodie, and a copy of his reply dated January 7th.

(c) Overseas Committee - 11.1.22. The Committee approved and adopted the minutes of the Overseas Committee and authorised the General Secretary to ask the following to represent the Union as delegates at the Frague Conference: Lord Robert Cecil, Professor Gilbert Murray, the Rt. Hon. G.N. Barnes, M.P., Mr Tom Shaw, M.P., Lady Gladstone, Sir Willoughby Dickinson, K.B.E., Mr David Davies, M.P., and Mrs Oliver Strachey.

Failing either of these that the following be asked: Mr Charles Roberts, Professor Webster, Mr Burgin, Major the Hon. W. Ormsby-Gore, M.P., Mrs Walter Kunciman, Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, Captain Small.

The Committee thought it desirable that Labour should be represented at this Conference, and suggested that the Labour Advisory Committee should be asked to nominate delegates.

(d) Management Committee - 12.1.22. An epitome of the minutes of the Management Committee were approved and adopted.

Col. Borden Turner. The Committee expressed their great regret that Col. Borden Turner found it necessary to resign, and decided that Lord Robert Cecil be asked to write him a personal letter expressing the regrets of the Committee.

198. ECONOMIC SUB-COMMITTEE - REPORT.

The Economic Sub-Committee submitted their final report on the "probable impending failure to pay the reparations and the consequent effects". The six resolutions in the draft report of the Economic Sub-Committee were amended and adopted as follows:-

- (1) That the present total amount of reparations

to be paid by Germany, is one which cannot be made without producing economic chaos, and that the amount must be very substantially reduced.

- (2) That the amount, and the method of payment, should be determined by a tribunal to be appointed by a majority of the Council of the League of Nations.
- (3) That in the interests of restoring normal conditions throughout the world, it would be wise that the restoration of material damage should be the first charge upon Reparation payments.
- (4) That even if the amount of reparations is determined in accordance with the finding of the proposed tribunal, it is desirable that some international arrangement should be made by which cash may be raised on the credit of the reparation scheme.
- (5) That the machinery of the League of Nations should be employed for associating the whole world in this problem.
- (6) That the League of Nations Union should take steps to educate public opinion in the sense of the above resolutions.

199. GENOA - PRIME MINISTER'S ATTITUDE TO THE LEAGUE.

The General Secretary reported upon an interview which he and Col. Borden Turner had had with Sir Edward Grigg, one of the Prime Minister's secretaries, at Downing Street on January 16th, and they discussed, among other things, the decision that the Genoa Economic Conference was not to be organised by the League of Nations and also the question of M. Poincare and diplomatic methods.

200. LEAGUE COUNCIL - JANUARY MEETING.

The General Secretary drew the attention of the Committee to Press Reports of the last few days in reference to the decision of the January Council of the League in regard to Vilna and the Saar.

Resolved: "To take no action."

201. DRAFT DISARMAMENT TREATY.

Resolved: "That the draft Disarmament Treaty be adjourned for consideration to the next meeting of the Committee, together with the memorandum by Major Gen. Sir F. Maurice."

202. TEXT OF THE COVENANT.

The Committee agreed to the General Secretary's recommendation that in future a copy of the Text of the Covenant be sent with a membership card to all persons joining the Union.

203. TEACHING OF HISTORY IN SCHOOLS.

The General Secretary drew the attention of the

Committee to a newspaper controversy in which he was a participant in regard to the teaching of History in Schools, and in view of the fact that there was a resolution on the agenda paper for the Council on the following day, he asked the approval of the Committee to a suggested amendment. The Committee agreed to the following amendment:

"That the I.N.U. take such steps as may be practicable to encourage the provision of a wider choice of History books and such other changes in the administration of education as will secure freedom for teachers to present the history of the English people as an integral part of the whole story of man's evolution."

204. MATINEE - FEBRUARY 21st.

The General Secretary drew the attention of the Committee to a Matinee on behalf of the Union to be held in the Winter Garden Theatre on February 21st. This matinee was being given under the patronage of their Majesties the King and Queen.

Robert Cecil

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

FEBRUARY 2nd 1922 AT 11.30 A.M.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Jord Robert Cecil, M.P., The Viscountess Gladstone, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Mrs.Walter Runciman, John H. Harris, Esq., David Davies, Esq., M.P., Major Gen.Sir F.Maurice, K.C.M.G., The Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., Professor Gilbert Murray, Percy Bigland, Esq., Raymond Unwin, Esq., Aneurin Williams, Esq. M.P., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., The Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., Charles Roberts, Esq., Lt.Gen. Sir Hubert de la Poer Cough, G.C.M.G.; together with the General Secretary, Col.D.Borden Turner, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Major W.E.G.Murray, Captain Iothian Small and Mr.D.H.Mills.

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205. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Major Gen. the Rt.Hon.J.E.B.Seely, Mrs.A.W.Claremont and Sir John Barran.

206. MINUTES.

Subject to an alteration in minute 197 (c), the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on January 19th, 1922 were approved and adopted.

207. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

Resolved:- "That Col.Borden Turner should call at the Foreign Office and enquire what is the present position in regard to Eastern Galicia."

208. WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

On the proposal of Professor Gilbert Murray, the Committee passed the following resolution:-

"The Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union expresses to His Majesty's Government its warm congratulations on the part taken by the British Delegation at the Washington Conference, and on the beneficent results achieved with regard both to an agreed proportional reduction of naval armaments and a peaceful and just settlement of the problems of the Far East."

It was

Resolved:- "That this resolution be conveyed to the Prime Minister and published in the Press."

209. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending January 30th 1922 showed a bank overdraft amounting to £10,102.8.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £3,500.

210. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Finance - 25.1.22. The minutes of the Finance and Appeals

Committee held January 25th 1922 were approved and adopted.

The Finance Committee were asked to consider the suggestion of Sir Edgar Harper in regard to capitation fees and to make a recommendation to the Executive Committee for submission to the next meeting of the General Council.

The minutes of the following Committees were approved and adopted:-

- (b) Management - 26.1.22.
- (c) Education - 27.1.22.
- (d) Religions and Ethics - 30.1.22.

211. SPANISH SUB-COMMITTEE - RESOLUTIONS.

The Committee gave consideration to the following resolutions of the Spanish sub-Committee:-

- (a) That the Spanish sub-Committee of the I.N.U. considers that, in view of her pre-eminent position among the spanish-speaking nations, Spain should be permanently represented on the Council of the League of Nations. Accordingly, the sub-Committee requests the Executive Committee of the Union to approve and publish this resolution.
- (b) This sub-Committee considers ^{that} the commerce between the nations should be conducted on a basis of reciprocity, and that commercial relations between two countries which are dependent on the negotiation of a treaty, either because one did not before exist or because the existing one had for any reason whatever been denounced, should, until the conclusion of such negotiation, be based upon the most favourable conditions possible, in the same manner as laid down for example, in the commercial policy at present in force between Spain and Belgium, on the understanding as to the mutual application of paragraph 2 of their respective tariffs or whichever affords and implies the most favourable conditions. Accordingly, the sub-Committee requests the Executive Committee of the Union to approve and publish this resolution.
- (c) This sub-committee requests the Executive Committee of the Union to use its influence with the Council of the League of Nations in the direction of inducing the Governments to agree that, in cases of litigation or dispute regarding industrial and commercial property that may arise between nationals of different states, the ultimate judgment in respect of which no appeal is allowed in the Courts of the country where judgment is obtained, should be regarded as binding in the country of the foreign subject against whom judgment has been pronounced, and that such judgment should be enforced, and compulsorily accepted, by the authorities in that country in case of resistance on the part of the party against whom judgment was given. The same should be laid down in reference to decisions in cases of arbitration by Courts of Arbitration or simply by Referees, unilateral or collateral.
- (d) That in the opinion of the sub-Committee, the Spanish or any other Government is at liberty to make what bargains it can in regard to favoured treatment in tariffs, and that the Spanish Government

has shown no harshness in insisting that Spanish products shall be admitted to countries which receive favourable treatment from Spain.

Resolved:- "That the Spanish Sub-Committee be informed in reply to (a) that the Executive Committee of the Union did not wish to commit itself in regard to this pending the admission to the League of the United States and Germany; (b) and (d) be referred for consideration to the Committee appointed to consider Tariff Wars; that (c) be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Covenant."

212. GENERAL COUNCIL - MINUTES

The Committee approved the draft minutes of the General Council held in Birmingham on Friday, January 20th 1922.

The General Secretary read a further letter from Mrs. Sidgwick who had resigned her membership of the Union on account of the resolutions on policy passed at the last meeting of the Council.

Resolved: "That the resolutions on policy should be circulated to the members of the Parliamentary Committee."

213. PROPOSED ANGLO-FRENCH PACT.

The Committee gave consideration to the proposed Anglo-French Pact and it was

Resolved: "That the General Secretary and Colonel Borden Turner enquire at 10, Downing Street and the Foreign Office whether the Union can be informed what is the present position of the proposal for an Anglo-French pact informing them of the Resolutions at Birmingham and of the Executive Committee and of the great anxiety felt by the Executive Committee on the question."

It was further

Resolved: "That if necessary the Chairman should summon a special meeting of the Executive Committee to consider replies from Downing Street and the Foreign Office."

Sir W.H. Dickinson suggested that the question might be raised in the Debate on His Majesty the King's address at the Opening of Parliament.

214. BRITISH LEGION.

Major Gen. Sir F. Maurice intimated that the British Legion had drafted a questionnaire which it was intended should be submitted to prospective Parliamentary candidates. One of the questions asked referred to the attitude of the candidate to the League of Nations.

215. PROPOSED MINISTRY OF DEFENCE.

The Committee gave consideration to a memorandum by Mr. David Davies on the reported recommendation of the Geddes Committee in regard to the formation of a Ministry of Defence suggesting that the Union should give the proposal its support.

For lack of definite information with regard to this subject, consideration of the memorandum was adjourned.

216. LEAGUE AND PUBLICITY.

The Committee considered the following resolution proposed by Mr. David Davies:-

"That a Committee be appointed to enquire into the whole question of publicity for the League of Nations, and to draw up a report for transmission after approval by the Executive Committee, to the Secretary General of the League."

It was pointed out that the Council of the League now had the matter under consideration and the Chairman did not now think it necessary to pass a resolution in the above terms.

Resolved:- "That Mr. Wilson Harris be asked if he thought the Union could serve any useful purpose in setting up a Committee to consider the question of publicity."

217. SAAR VALLEY ADMINISTRATION.

The Chairman stated that he had received a report from the Saar Valley Commission.

Resolved:- "That a memorandum be drafted on this report setting out the salient facts and that this be considered at the next meeting of the Committee."

218. CO-OPERATION.

Resolved:- "That Lt. Col. F. V. Willey, C.M.G., C.B.E., M.V.O., M.P. be asked to serve on the Executive Committee."

219. PROPOSED LABOUR COMMITTEE.

The Chairman stated that it had been suggested to him that a section or Committee of the Union should be set up to deal with provision for propaganda on the subject of the work of the International Labour Office in connection with the Union. It had been suggested that Lord Burnham might be a suitable Chairman for this Committee.

Resolved:- "That the following be asked to serve on a Committee to consider the whole question:- The Rt. Hon. C. N. Barnes, M.P., Mr. Henry Vivian, J.P., The Rt. Hon. Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, M.P., Lady Denman, and Lady Gladstone."

220. INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

The General Secretary reported that the Welsh Council had sent the following telegram to Lord Finlay on the occasion of the first meeting of the permanent Court of International Justice:-

"Welsh Council of I.N.U. rejoices in first meeting Permanent Court International Justice and wish it God Speed in work for maintenance of peace amongst nations of the world."

Resolved:-

Resolved:- "That a letter in similar terms be sent as from the Executive Committee."

221. LABOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The General Secretary stated that he had seen Mr. J.R.Clynes, and Mr.Clynes had suggested that Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck and Lady Denman should be asked to serve on the Labour Advisory Committee in the place of Mr.Stuart Bunning and Mr.Henry Vivian who had resigned.

Resolved:- "That Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck and Lady Denman be asked to serve."

The Committee also agreed to the Labour Advisory Committee being asked at its next meeting to accept two representatives of the Co-operative Union as its Committee.

222. STAFF DANCES.

The General Secretary stated that the staff wishes to hold periodical dances for the purpose of raising funds towards the appeal; the Chairman had provisionally approved of a dance being held on the previous evening from 7.30 p.m. to 11. p.m.

Resolved:- "To approve of these dances being held but that it be insisted that a senior administrative officer should be present during the holding of these dances."

223. STAFF APPOINTMENTS.

The Committee approved of the recommendation of the Staff Appointments Committee to appoint Lt.Col.G.N.Wyatt as Regional Representative at a salary of £400 p.a.

Gilbert Murray.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1. ON THURSDAY,

FEBRUARY 9th 1922 AT 11.45 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt. Hon. Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (In the Chair); The Rt. Hon. G.N. Barnes, M.P., Sir John Barran, Bt., Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, K.B.E., M.P., Percy Bigland Esq., Major D. Clifton Brown, M.P., Mrs. A.W. Claremont, Capt. Colin R. Coote, M.P., The Rt. Hon. Sir W.H. Dickinson, K.B.E., The Viscountess Gladstone, Lt. Gen. Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G. John H. Harris Esq., F.N. Keen Esq., Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs. Walter Runciman, Major Gen. The Rt. Hon. J.E.B. Seely, C.M.G., M.P., Mrs. Oliver Strachey, Aneurin Williams Esq., M.P.; together with the General Secretary, Col. Borden Turner, Mr. A.J.C. Freshwater, Major Murray, Captain Lothian Small and Mr. D.H. Mills.

M I N U T E S224. PROPOSED PACT WITH FRANCE.

The Chairman stated the reason for the summoning of this special meeting, namely, that the Executive at its last meeting in discussing the proposal for an Anglo-French Pact, had agreed that if he (the Chairman) considered it necessary, a special meeting should be summoned to consider the question. The General Secretary and Colonel Borden Turner had enquired at 10, Downing Street, and since then in the King's Speech, the Government had intimated that it was part of their policy to complete a pact with France in case of attack by Germany. He considered it was his duty therefore to call the Executive Committee in order to consider whether any action of the Committee was desirable.

The following resolutions of branches in regard to this question were brought to the attention of the Executive Committee.

(a) Enfield Branch: "The Council of the Enfield Branch of the L.N.U. profoundly regrets the apparent intention of the Government to sign a Pact of defence with France, and it most strongly begs the Government as an alternative, to induce the French Government to depend on the Guarantee of the League of Nations with its 51 Member-States, as Alliances lead to opposing Alliances and ultimately to war; and if the fullest use is not made of the League of Nations the League will be weakened and fail, and the hope of a world peace will be lost."

(b) Lozells St. Hall Branch, Birmingham: "I am instructed by the Committee of the above branch, representing 234 members, to ask you as representing the L.N.U. to use the whole influence of the organisation to protest immediately against the rumoured imminent military pact of this country with France. Believing that such a pact, to be contrary to the interests of peace, and the League of Nations, and that if such a pact is under consideration, it should at least be brought before the people for their decision on the matter."

(c) Cockermouth Branch: "That this meeting is unanimously of opinion that it is contrary to our interest and the interests of Peace, that any entangling Alliance should be entered into with France, or any other country, and that such Treaties hinder and prevent the League of Nations from exercising its proper function, and respectfully ask that everything be done to prevent such Treaties being ratified, before a full discussion upon them has taken place in Parliament, and before the terms and conditions have been declared in the Public Press."

(d) Lytham Branch: "That we the Lytham Branch of the L.N.U. view with grave concern the military "pact" between Great Britain and France proposed by one Government without the consent of our nations. We are convinced that the provisions of the Covenant of the League of Nations if honourably fulfilled, form an adequate security for the safety of France. The suggested "Pact" we regard as a violation of the agreed purpose of the Covenant and as doing irreparable injury to its influence. We urgently request our Government to refrain from this or any similar alliance as being certain to lead ultimately to the dividing of nations into opposing camps and implore it to reaffirm its already pledged allegiance to the League of Nations as the sole and sufficient assurance of international peace."

Several members of the Committee participated in the discussion, and it was ultimately

Resolved:- "That a letter be written mentioning the following points in the Union's policy in regard to the pact -

- (a) That a pact which necessitates a division into groups of powers is undesirable.
- (b) Such a pact would be pointed to as an example by other powers to form similar pacts and the various powers in Europe would be involved in a series of entangling alliances such as existed before 1914.
- (c) That if such a pact was adopted the whole policy should be reviewed immediately Germany becomes a member of the League.

It was further

Resolved:- "That the drafting of this letter (which might be published) be left in the hands of the Chairman, Professor Gilbert Murray, and the General Secretary, and that it be submitted to another meeting of the Committee to be called at the earliest possible moment."

Gilbert Murray.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HEID

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1. ON THURSDAY,

FEBRUARY 16th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P., Sir John Barran, Bt., Percy Bigland, Esq., Major J.D.Birchall, M.P., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., Captain Colin R. Coote, M.P., The Viscountess Gladstone, Captain W.E.Elliott, M.P., Lt.Gen.Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G., John H. Harris, Esq., F.N.Keen, Esq., Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G., Oswald Mosley, Esq. M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Raymond Unwin, Esq. Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P., A.Whitehead, Esq. Aneurin Williams, Esq. M.P.; together with the General Secretary, Colonel Borden Turner, Mr. Freshwater, Major Murray, Captain Small, Mrs.Dugdale, Miss Murray, Miss Brodie, and Mr.D.H.Mills.

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225. CHAIRMAN.

During the first two items of the agenda the chair was occupied by Professor Gilbert Murray.

226. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Major Gen.the Rt.Hon.J.E.B.Seely, Sir Arthur Haworth, and Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon.

227. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Committee held February 2nd 1922 were approved as circulated, as were also the minutes of the special meeting held February 9th 1922.

228. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

The General Secretary reported that Colonel Borden Turner had been to the Cabinet Offices to enquire what was the present position in regard to East Galicia. The information he received was that the Council of the League had had no reply from any of the Allied and Associated Powers in regard to East Galicia, and it was suggested that the best way to elicit information was by a question in the House.

Resolved:- "To ask Lord Robert Cecil to put a question, and to accept Captain Elliott's offer to ask the question in case Lord Robert did not see his way to do so."

229. LEAGUE - PUBLICITY.

The General Secretary reported that in reference to a resolution proposed by Mr.David Davies that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the whole question of publicity for the League, he had on the Committee's instructions written to Mr.Wilson Harris to ask if he thought the Union could serve any useful purpose in setting up this Committee.

Mr. Wilson Harris had replied that he was inclined to think

that the ground was already well covered so far as Geneva publicity was concerned. The Journalists Association was in indirect touch with the Council and had been asked to bring any further recommendations to the next meeting of the Council to be held in April.

Resolved:- "That Mr. Davies be informed that the Committee were of opinion that there was no necessity to appoint a Committee to consider the question of Publicity."

270. WASHINGTON CONFERENCE - COMMUNICATION FROM PRIME MINISTER.

The General Secretary reported the receipt of a letter from the Prime Minister thanking the members of the Executive Committee for their resolution of congratulation to the Washington delegation for the work accomplished.

271. SAAR VALLEY ADMINISTRATION.

The General Secretary reported that the memorandum on the question of the Saar Valley Administration was not yet complete. He hoped to have it circulated in time for the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

272. CO-OPTATION - LT. COL. F. V. WILLEY.

It was reported that Lt. Col. F. V. Willey, in reply to an invitation of the Executive, had written regretting that his present duties made it impossible for him to accept a seat upon the Executive Committee.

273. PROPOSED LABOUR COMMITTEE.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Lord Burnham to Lord Robert Cecil, and stated that he was hoping to have a meeting of the Committee set up at the last meeting of the Executive to confer with Lord Burnham on the question of propaganda on the subject of the international Labour Office.

274. INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter of thanks from Lord Winlay, in reply to one of congratulations sent by the Executive Committee on the occasion of the first meeting of the permanent Court of International Justice.

275. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The financial Statement for the period ending February 11th 1922 showed a bank overdraft amounting to £10,677.9.3. with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £4000.

276. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The minutes of the following Committees were approved and adopted:-

- (a) Christian Organisations - 1.2.22.
- (b) Management - 9.2.22.
- (c) Women's Advisory - 7.2.22.
- (d) Labour Advisory - 7.2.22.
- (e) Overseas - 8.2.22.
- (f) Editorial - 9.2.22.

Resolved:- "That the Rev. H.W. Fox, D.S.O. be co-opted a member of the Editorial Committee."

It was further

Resolved:- "To suggest to the Editorial Committee that in the continued absence of Colonel Buchan, Professor Gilbert Murray be invited to accept the chairmanship of that Committee."

237. "HEADWAY" CONTRACT.

The memorandum on "Headway" contract was referred to the Management Committee with power to act.

238. RUSSIAN FAMINE.

The General Secretary stated that several Branch Secretaries had written asking for a resolution to be passed by the Executive Committee urging the government to make a big grant towards the Russian Famine.

Resolved:- "That these Branch Secretaries be informed that the question of the Russian relief was not within the purview of the League of Nations."

239. MR A.J. BALFOUR.

Lord Robert Cecil was authorised to make every effort possible to get Mr. Balfour to address an early meeting under the auspices of the League of Nations Union.

240. PROPOSED ANGLO-FRENCH PACT.

The Committee gave consideration to a letter which it was proposed to send to the Prime Minister on the subject of the Anglo-French pact. The original draft was amended and adopted as in annex (a). It was

Resolved:- "That this letter as finally approved be signed by all members of the Executive present."

241. NEXT MEETING.

The following matters were adjourned to the next meeting of the Executive Committee:-

- (a) Amendments to the Covenant - 8.2.22.
- (b) Committee on Tariff Wars - terms of reference.
- (c) Draft Disarmament Treaty.
- (d) Communication from British Armenia Committee.

Robert Cecil

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15, Grosvenor Crescent,
S.W.1.

18th February 1922.

Dear Prime Minister,

The League of Nations Union has had under consideration the problems of disarmament in Europe, and at its Council held recently at Birmingham passed the following resolution:-

"The limitation of armaments contemplated by Article 8 should be pressed forward. In order to reassure those States who are reluctant to limit their armaments for fear of attack by their neighbours, a joint and several defensive alliance open to all Members of the League as well as to Germany, Russia and the United States on condition that armaments are reduced to an agreed level, should be proposed."

"This resolution is founded upon the conception that if states, particularly Continental states, are to be asked to reduce materially their land armaments, it is necessary to give them in exchange some effective security against invasion. The Council of the Union were strongly of opinion that the only satisfactory form of guarantee is a general defensive alliance which might be regional in its application, open to all States Members of the League together with the three leading states at present, though, it is hoped, only temporarily, outside it.

The Executive Committee of the Union have observed the proposal put forward by the Government for a pact between certain European countries binding them to defend one another against unprovoked attack by another European power. They feel that any partial arrangements of this kind may tend to bring back the old system of hostile groups of European powers piling up competitive armaments against one another, the very system which the League of Nations was formed to prevent.

The Committee therefore are of opinion that if it is thought right, as it well may be, to give to France, Belgium or any other country, a special guarantee of security, it would be preferable to do so as part of the general scheme rather than by making with it a separate defensive alliance which, however carefully guarded must be difficult to reconcile with the general spirit and objects of the Covenant. In any case the Committee trust that no pact will be arranged which is not consistent with and a step towards the larger policy which the Council of the Union has recommended.

Yours very truly,

(sgd) Robert Cecil (Chairman).

John N. Barran,
Percy Bigland.
J. D. Birchall.
E. M. Claremont.
A. W. Claremont.
Colin A. Coote.
David Davies.
W. E. Elliot.
Dorothy Gladstone.
Hubert Lough.
M. M. Ogilvie Gordon.

Arthur A. Haworth.
John H. Harris.
F. N. A. A. A.
Frederick Maurice.
Oswald Mosley.
Gilbert Murray.
Hilda Luncman.
Ray Strachey.
Raymond Unwin.
Henry Vivian.
A. Whitehead.
Aneurin Williams.

The Rt. Hon. D. Lloyd George, M.P.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MARCH 2nd 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P., the Rt. Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P., Sir John Barran, Bt., Major J.D.Birchall, M.P., Percy Bigland, Esq., Major D.C.Brown, M.P., the Rt.Hon. Lord Burnham, A.W.Claremont, Esq., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, Captain Colin Coote, M.P. Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., Lt.Gen.Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G., John H.Harris, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., F.N.Keen, Esq., Professor Gilbert Murray, Charles Roberts, Esq., Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mrs.Oliver Strachey: together with the General Secretary, Colonel Borden Turner, the Hon.Oliver Brett, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Major W.E.G.Murray, Captain Small, Miss Brodie and Mr.D.H.Mills.

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242. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held February 16th 1922 were approved as circulated.

243. RUSSIAN FAMINE.

Resolved:- "That minute 238 be rescinded and that the following resolution be substituted in its stead:-

"The Executive Committee of the I.N.U. has received strong representations from branches of the Union in the country urging the Government to make an immediate contribution to the cost of relieving the famine in Russia and the Committee desire fully to endorse these representations both on the grounds of general humanity and of the vital necessity of preventing the threatened economic collapse of one of the richest of the corn producing districts in Europe."

244. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had not had an opportunity to put a question to the Government in regard to the present position of East Galicia. He hoped to take an early opportunity to do so.

245. MR A.J.BALFOUR.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a communication from Mr A.J.Balfour regretting that he was unable at present to address a meeting for the League of Nations Union on the disarmament proposals of the Washington Conference. He hoped that he had already served our purpose by his reference at the Pilgrims dinner on February 20th to the relation between the League of Nations and the Washington Conference.

246. PROPOSED ANGLO-FRENCH PACT - COMMUNICATION FROM GENERAL SEBILY.

The Chairman read a letter which he had received from General

Seely protesting that the letter to the Prime Minister had been sent over the signatures of the twenty four members of the Executive who were present.

General Seely thought the correct plan would be either for Lord Robert to sign such documents as Chairman, or for the document to be circulated to all members for their signature.

The Committee approved of the principles laid down in General Seely's letter, and it was

for the Prime Minister
Resolved:- "That the letter be circulated to those members of the Committee who were not present on February 16th to request their adherence, and that their names be then sent to the Prime Minister."

247. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The financial Statement for the period ending February 28th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £12,216.5.2 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £4000.

248. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Management - 23.2.22. The minutes of the Management Committee were approved and adopted, subject to the following amendments in minute 173:

- (1) International Labour Office (c). "That the Hon. Vice-Chairman who shall be ex officio members of this Committee, shall be the representatives of this country on the governing body of the I.L.O. who are at present: Sir Montague Barlow, K.B.E., M.P., Sir Allen Smith, K.B.E., M.P. and Mr. E. Poulton.

"That the words 'from the Executive Committee' be deleted from minute 173 (d).

Lord Burgham suggested that the three members nominated by the Executive to serve on the I.L.O. Committee should be Mr. Barnes, Lady Denman, and Mr. Ben Turner.

Mr. Barnes consented to serve and the General Secretary promised to communicate with Lady Denman and Mr. Turner.

Lord Burgham suggested that two of the other three should be Mr. McCassey and Mr. Robert Donald. These names were approved. Lord Burgham also promised to suggest to Lord Robert Cecil, who would have power to approve for the Executive, the name of the third member.

It was agreed that a meeting of this Committee should be called at the earliest possible opportunity and the question of finances required for the carrying out of the work of this Committee should be considered by the Finance Committee.

(ii) Mr. Esdaille. The General Secretary read a letter of apology from Mr. Esdaille for having written several letters on Union notepaper without the authority of the Committee. One of the letters was to Somerset House asking that the "League of Nations Film Co." should be

registered as a Company under the Companies Act. He asked that his name should not be removed from membership of the Film sub-Committee. Certain other things, however, had arisen, and as Mr. Esdaile had been advertised to speak at a meeting at Redhill on Monday, March 6th, the General Secretary wished to know the Committee's views as to whether he should fulfil his engagement.

Resolved:- "Pending the clearing up of the whole matter Mr. Esdaile should not be asked to speak for the Union."

- (b) Finance & Appeals - 15.2.22. The minutes of the Finance & Appeals Committee were approved and adopted, subject to the insertion of the words "where necessary" in minute 214 so that the last sentence should read:- "The Committee sanctioned the expenditure where necessary of third class return fares....."
- (c) Education - 17.2.22. The minutes of the Education Committee were approved and adopted, except that the Executive Committee did not agree with the Education Committee's recommendation that the Union should be represented at the protest meeting organised by the Workers' Educational Association about the proposed education "cuts".
- (d) Parliamentary - 22.2.22. The General Secretary gave a resume of the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee.
- (e) Amendments to the Covenant - 8.2.22. The Committee gave consideration to the minutes of the Committee on Amendments to the Covenant, and it was

Resolved:- "That consideration of this be adjourned to a meeting when Lord Phillimore could be present."

249. DRAFT DISARMAMENT TREATY.

The Committee gave consideration to the draft Disarmament Treaty. Further consideration of this was adjourned and Sir Charles Hobhouse promised to send in a memorandum mentioning points which in his opinion ought to be made more clear, and pointing out where he considered the draft needed strengthening.

250. SAAR VALLEY ADMINISTRATION.

Consideration of a memorandum on the Saar Valley Administration was adjourned to a further meeting of the Committee.

251. GENOA CONFERENCE - RESOLUTION OF ASSOCIATION FRANCAISE POUR LA SOCIETE DES NATIONS.

The Committee approved the publication of the resolution of the Association Francaise pour la Societe des Nations in regard to the Genoa Conference.

Robert Cecil

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MARCH 16th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P., Sir John Barran, Bt., Percy Bigland, Esq., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., The Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., The Viscountess Gladstone, John H.Harris, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., Major Gen. Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G., Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Charles Roberts, Esq., Mrs.Walter Runciman, Major Gen.the Rt.Hon.J.E.B.Seely, C.B., C.M.G., M.P., Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Raymond Unwin, Esq., Henry Vivian, Esq., J.P.: together with Colonel Borden Turner, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Captain Lothian Small, Miss Murray, Miss Brodie, Mr.I.L.Irwin and Mr.D.H.Mills.

MINUTES252. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held March 9th 1922 were approved as circulated.

253. STATUS OF EAST GALICIA.

Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had asked a question in the House of Commons in regard to the Government's policy towards the status of East Galicia but did not receive what was in his opinion a satisfactory reply. He proposed to ask a question again.

254. AMENDMENTS TO THE COVENANT.

It was reported that Lord Phillimore could not attend a meeting of the Executive until March 30th.

Resolved:- "That an Executive meeting be held on March 30th when the report of the Committee on Amendments to the Covenant would be discussed and Lord Phillimore invited to be present."

255. PROPOSED PACT WITH FRANCE.

The Chairman reported that the following members of the Committee had asked that their names be attached to the letter sent to the Prime Minister in regard to the proposed Anglo-French pact:- Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, M.P., Major D. Clifton Brown, M.P., The Rt.Hon.J.R.Clynes, M.P., the Rt.Hon. Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., Major the Hon.W.Ormsby Gore, M.P., The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse and Charles Roberts, Esq.

These names had been sent to the Prime Minister.

256. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending March 12th 1922 shewed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £11,810. 12.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £23000.

257. DATES OF COMMITTEES.

Resolved:- "That when there are five Thursdays in a month the Executive Committee should meet on the first, third and fifth Thursday."

258. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Parliamentary Questionnaire. The Committee approved of P.D.Q.2., subject to the following alterations:-

(i) That the preamble to "A" should read -

"It is vital to the success of the League of Nations that as many members as possible of all parties in the House of Commons should be pledged to the fundamental principles of the League. The three following questions should therefore, it is suggested, be put to all candidates."

(ii) That "A2" should read -

"Will you urge the Government to avow as part of its policy the extension of the membership of the League to include all nations which comply with the conditions of Article 1; and in particular are you in favour of the admission of Germany?"

(iii) That the heading of "B5" should read -

"Substitution of the Mandatory system for annexation."

(b) Management. The Minutes of the Management Committee held March 9th 1922 were approved and adopted subject to the deletion of a sentence in minute 184.

(c) Religions and Ethics. The Committee gave consideration to the minutes of the Committee of Religions and Ethics and were of the opinion that this Committee was not confining itself to the work for which it was originally created, namely, to advance the cause of the League of Nations, among members of all religious and ethical conferences, and to increase the membership of the I.N.U. among such bodies.

The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse gave notice that he would move at the next meeting that the Committee of Religions and Ethics be dissolved. This was seconded by Major Gen.the Rt. Hon.J.E.B.Seely.

Resolved:- "That the Chairman of the Committee of Religions and Ethics be invited to attend the next meeting of the Executive, together with any member of that Committee he desired to bring with him."

(c) Editorial. The minutes of the Editorial Committee held March 9th 1922 were approved and adopted.

259. DISARMAMENT TREATY.

The Committee gave further consideration to the draft Disarmament Treaty together with the amendments proposed by Sir Charles Hobhouse which had been circulated. The memorandum was amended and finally approved as in Annex "A".

260. SAAR BASIN - MEMORANDUM ON ADMINISTRATION.

The Committee approved of the memorandum S.G.153 - "Conclusions drawn from memorandum on the Saar Basin."

Colonel Borden Turner was asked to recast the memorandum in a form that could be sent to the Secretariat of the League, and it was

Resolved:- "That the amended memorandum be sent to the Secretariat as representing the general opinion of the Executive Committee."

The Executive Committee received the following suggestions of the German sub-Committee:-

1. That before the expiry of their current term of office (one year) the Council should make careful enquiries into the work of the Saar Commission as a whole and of the individual members.
2. That a neutral who can speak French and German should be appointed President of the Commission,
3. That all members of the Commission should if possible speak both languages, and during their term of office should reside in the district.
4. That the formation of an adequate gendarmerie be pressed forward so as to obviate the necessity of retaining French troops.
5. That the Committee appointed to enquire into the question of the franc be urged to report at the earliest opportunity.
6. That a Conference of the Commission and representatives of the inhabitants be called by the Council of the League to promote the constitution of a representative assembly for the whole of the Saar Valley.
7. That in the event of such an assembly being instituted the representative of the Saar Valley on the Commission be chosen by it.
8. That a list of inhabitants entitled to vote at the plebiscite in 1935 be drawn up without delay in accordance with Article 24 of the annex to Section IV of the Treaty of Versailles, and that it be made perfectly clear that these persons and these only shall have the right to vote in 1935.
9. That the Council should invite representatives of Germany to be present at the Council meetings when matters concerning the Saar are being discussed.

261. WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE - EASTER VACATION SCHOOL.

The attention of the Committee was drawn to an Easter Vacation School organised by the Women's International League.

Resolved:- "That reference to this be made in "Headway."

Robert Cecil

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.DRAFT (Skeleton) DISARMAMENT TREATY.

1) The H.C.P. hereby agree that if any one of them is attacked all the others will forthwith take such action as may have been agreed upon under Article 4 of this Treaty, or if there is no agreement as may be most effective for the defence of the Party attacked provided that this obligation shall not come into force unless the naval, military and air forces of the Party attacked shall have been reduced in accordance with the terms of the Treaty.

2) In consideration of the undertaking contained in the immediately preceding article each of the H.C.P. shall forthwith reduce its naval, military and air forces in the manner and to the extent set out for each of the H.C.P. in the annex hereto.

3) It shall be the duty of the Permanent Military Commission to take into consideration any circumstances in the international situation which may seem to it likely to disturb the peace of the world, and to advise the Council of the League as to what steps if any should be taken to deal with such circumstances in accordance with the general purpose and objects of this Treaty.

4) In the event of any of the H.C.P. regarding itself as menaced by the preparations or action of any other state whether party to this Treaty or not, it may so inform the Secretary General of the League of Nations who shall forthwith summon a meeting of the Council of the League, and if the Council by not less than a three-fourths majority shall be of opinion that there is reasonable ground for thinking that the said preparations or action do constitute a menace as alleged they shall make such representations to the Governments creating the menace, in respect of such preparations or action as they may think right, and shall direct the Permanent Military Commission of the League, or a Committee thereof, to submit plans for assistance to be given by the H.C.P. to the party menaced. Such plans if approved by a three-fourths majority of the Council shall forthwith become binding on the H.C.P. Provided that neither under this nor any other article of this Treaty shall any of the H.C.P. not being a European state be bound to furnish any naval, military or air force in Europe, or not being an American state in America, or not being an Asiatic state in Asia, or not being an African state in Africa.

5) Each of the H.C.P. agrees to receive such naval, military and air representatives of the L. of N. as the Council may desire to appoint and undertakes to give to these representatives such facilities and information regarding armaments as the Council may from time to time require. If it shall at any time appear to a majority of the Council that the naval, military or air forces or preparations of any of the H.C.P. are in excess of those agreed to under the annex of this Treaty, the Council shall so inform the party in question, and if the majority of the Council is not satisfied within six months that the naval, military and air forces of the said party have been brought into accordance with this Treaty, they shall suspend the said party from all its rights under this Treaty under such conditions as the Council shall think right, and may take any other measures including if thought right a recommendation to the H.C.P. that penalties similar to those provided in Article 16 of the Covenant shall be put in force against the said party.

6) Any Member of the League, the United States, Germany or Russia not being one of the signatories to this Treaty may adhere to it by giving notice

of adherence to the Secretary General of the League or to each of the H.C.P. Any state may with the assent of the Council of the League or the H.C.P. adhere conditionally or to part only of the provisions of this Treaty. Provided always that no such adherence shall be accepted unless the power so adhering has reduced or is ready to reduce its force in accordance with the provisions of this Treaty.

7) Nothing in this Treaty shall be deemed to diminish or affect the provisions in the Covenant for maintaining the peace of the world.

8) This Treaty shall come into force as soon as of the H.C.P. shall have deposited their ratifications of it with the Secretary General of the League at Geneva.

9) Any question as to the meaning or effect of this Treaty not being a question whether the naval, military or air forces or preparations of any of the H.C.P. are in excess of those agreed to under the annex to this Treaty shall be referred to the Permanent Court of International Justice whose decision shall be final.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MARCH 30th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Iord Robert Cecil, M.P., (Chairman);
 The Rt.Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P., Iord Henry Cavendish Bentinck,
 M.P., Percy Bigland, Esq., Major J.D.Birchall, M.P., Major
 D.Clifton Brown, M.P., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq.,
 Captain Colin Coote, M.P., David Davies, Esq., M.P., Lady
 Denman, the Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., Captain Walter
 Elliot, M.P. The Viscountess Gladstone, John H.Harris, Esq.
 The Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., Oswald Mosley, Esq. M.P.,
 Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mrs.Oliver
 Strachey, Raymond Unwin, Esq., Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P.,
 Colonel Josiah Wedgwood, M.P.; together with the General
 Secretary, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Mrs.Dugdale, Miss Murray,
 the Hon.Oliver Brett, Captain Iothian Small, Miss Brodie,
 Mr.J.I.Irwin and Mr.D.H.Mills.

M I N U T E S262. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Sir John Barran
 and Mr.A.Whitehead.

263. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Executive Committee
 held March 16th 1922 were approved as circulated.

264. SAAR BASIN - ADMINISTRATION.

Arising out of the minutes of the last meeting the General
 Secretary was asked to enquire of the Secretariat what had
 transpired at the last meeting of the Council in regard to the
 government of the Saar Basin, and report at the next meeting
 of the Committee.

265. DRAFT DISARMAMENT TREATY.

Mr.G.N.Barnes said that he did not agree with paragraph 4
 of the draft Disarmament Treaty, but the Chairman pointed
 out that the draft in its present form had been approved by
 the Executive Committee.

Mr.Barnes was asked to confer with Iord Robert Cecil in
 regard to this matter.

266. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending March 28th
 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to
 \$11,238.15.11 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting
 to \$2000.

267. AMENDMENTS TO THE COVENANT.

The Committee considered the report of Iord Phillimore's
 Committee on the proposed amendments to the Covenant. Iord
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267. AMENDMENTS TO THE COVENANT.

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① Additional Members of Council of the League.

Resolved:- "In view of the eventual election of Germany as a permanent member of the Council of the League of Nations, and of the fact that, in addition to the three groups of nations roughly represented by Africa and Asia and Latin America, there are three natural groups of the smaller European states (Latin, Slav, Teutonic-Scandinavian), the number of non-permanent members of the Council should be increased to six."

② Compulsory Jurisdiction of the Permanent Court of International Justice.

Resolved:- "That the following proposed resolution be approved, but that before action is taken the resolution be proposed for adoption to the General Council of the Union at its meeting on May 25th:"

"That the Voluntary Societies for the League of Nations should bring pressure to bear on the governments of their countries to sign the compulsory jurisdiction protocol of the statute of the Permanent Court. That the I.L.U. should take action with the British Government in the sense of the above resolution."

③ Registration of Treaties.

Resolved:- "That Article 18 be amended so as to read:-

"Every treaty or international engagement entered into hereafter by any member of the League shall be forthwith registered with the Secretariat, and shall as soon as possible be published by it. No such treaty or international engagement shall be binding until so registered. Nevertheless, if treaties or international engagements are registered within three months of the time when they were definitely concluded, the effect of the registration will date back to that time."

It shall not be obligatory to submit for registration instruments which consist merely of technical regulations defining without in any way modifying an instrument already registered or which are only designed to enable such an instrument to be carried into effect. Regulations adopted unanimously by the Assembly shall lay down the way in which this Article shall be applied."

Proposed Panel.

Resolved:- "That the question of the 'creation of a panel of eminent persons who could be called upon to serve on Advisory Commissions, or other bodies formed under the organs of the League including the International Court of Justice, to deal with questions requiring special knowledge and experience,' be adjourned sine die."

It was further

Resolved:- "That the attention of the Council of the League of Nations be invited to the desirability that, in cases of litigation or dispute regarding industrial and commercial property that may arise between nationals of different states, the ultimate judgment in respect of which no appeal is allowed in the Courts of the country where judgment is obtained, should be regarded as binding in the country of the foreign subject against whom judgment has been pronounced, and that such judgment should be enforced, and compulsorily accepted, by the authorities in that country in case of resistance by the party against whom judgment was given. The same should be laid down in reference to decisions in cases of arbitration by Courts of Arbitration or simply by referees, unilateral or collateral."

See minute 319

268. MINORITIES IN SMYRNA, ETC.

Professor Gilbert Murray raised the question of minorities in Smyrna.

Lord Robert Cecil promised to ask a question in the House of Commons whether in view of the decisions issued to Foreign Ministers of the Allied Powers at Paris on March 27th with reference to the rearrangement of territories in Asia Minor, H.M. Government would state what steps were being taken by the Allied Governments to secure immediate preservation of order.

269. SEVRES TREATY.

Resolved:- "That the Sevres Treaty be brought up for discussion at the next meeting of the Executive Committee. In the meantime that a memorandum setting out the references to the League of Nations be prepared and circulated."

270. PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE.

The Committee considered the report of the Parliamentary Committee dated March 16th and of the draft Parliamentary Questionnaire.

Resolved:- 1. That question A1 of the Questionnaire be amended to read as follows:-

Are you in favour of the League of Nations, and will you urge the Government to make its foreign policy consistent with the fundamental principles of the League to utilise the machinery of the League for dealing with all important international affairs.

2. That the record of the Parliamentary Committee's recommendation of question A2 be referred back to that Committee on the question of the correctness of the record."
3. That in accordance with the recommendation of the Parliamentary Committee, question B6 be amended to read as follows:-

PUBLICITY. Will you urge the Government to secure the fullest publicity for all the proceedings of the Council of the League and secure adequate Parliamentary opportunities for discussion of League matters.

4. The Committee agreed to (4) of the Parliamentary minutes except that the word "public" should be added before "meetings" in the last line."

271. GENOA CONFERENCE.

Major David Davies informed the Committee that he had put down an amendment to the motion of confidence in the Prime Minister to be debated in the House of Commons on Monday, April 2nd to the effect that it was regretted that the Genoa Conference was not being held under League auspices.

272. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The minutes of the following Committees were approved and adopted:-

- (a) Finance - 21.7.22.
- (b) Management - 27.3.22.

The resolutions of the Tariff Wars Committee and the Mandates Committee were adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

- (c) Genoa Conference - French sub-Committee's recommendation.

The Committee on the recommendation of the French sub-Committee adopted the following resolutions of the Association Francaise pour la Societe des Nations:-

"Relying upon the intentions of the promoters of the International Conference convened at Genoa, regards it as a generous attempt to realise in Europe the same ideal as the League of Nations;

Considering, on the other hand, that by its objects, it enters on the road opened out by the League of Nations, which has always looked upon the economic revival of the world as one of its most essential aims and which has already worked in a practical manner for that revival not only in Geneva, but also in the Conference convened by the League at Brussels and at Barcelona;

Considering that the Conference can only take as the starting point of its operations the state of fact and of law established by the treaties of peace of which the League of Nations is a necessary part.

Considering that the Covenant has always admitted of conferences of limited nature as that of Genoa ought to be and that the work of revival to which the conference intends to give a vigorous impulse will only be able to arrive at sure methods of

realisation through the competent organs of the League of Nations which have proved their strength, their adaptability, and their efficiency, and which the League of Nations has always been ready to place at the disposal of the promoters of the Genoa Conference;

Being certain that it is the interpreter of the unanimous feeling of the nations who hope to found justice and peace on this stable and permanent international organisation which is open by law to all civilised states, which already unites 51 of them for common action, and which in the space of two years has rendered so many services to the cause of world peace.

Is fully confident that the Conference of Genoa, in order to realise its ends will hand on its recommendations to the League of Nations and entrust the execution of them to the I. of N. in order that its definite decisions may be made an integral and durable part of the new constitution of Europe and humanity."

The General Secretary reported receipt of a communication from the French Ambassador accepting the chairmanship of the French sub-Committee.

(d) Georgia - resolutions of Georgian sub-Committee.

The Committee received the following resolutions of the Georgian sub-Committee:-

"To draw the attention of the I.N.U. to the continued occupation by the Russian Army of Georgia whose independence was formally recognised not only by the European powers, but by Soviet Russia itself - to an occupation which is a most flagrant violation of all the principles for which the League of Nations stands;

To point out, in view of the threatening famine in Georgia caused by the continuous requisitioning by the Russian soldiers who are not only squeezing the Georgian villages dry, but are also devastating gardens and vineyards, killing and carrying off the cattle, and forcing the peasants to feed them, the futility of combating the famine in Russia whilst allowing the Russian Army to create a new famine in another country; and

To call upon the League of Nations Union to demand the evacuation of Georgia by the Russians, as it will reduce the Georgian people to starvation and disease and thus render them another burden on the charity of Europe and America; and

To urge upon the British Government that they should make this evacuation a sine qua non of any negotiations with the Soviet Government at Genoa or elsewhere.

Lord Robert Cecil promised to put a question to the Government on the lines of the last paragraph.

273: COMMITTEE OF RELIGIONS AND ETHICS.

The Committee considered a motion on the agenda paper under the name of Sir Charles Hobhouse, namely:-

'That the Committee of Religions and Ethics be dissolved'.

The Chairman in the absence of Sir Charles Hobhouse stated that the Committee wished para 3 (d) to be omitted from the printed aims and policy of the Committee of Religions and Ethics, namely:

'To organise national and international conferences between representatives of all forms of religions.'

Mr. Harry Lewis who was present with Miss Ethel Behrens, representing the Committee of Religions and Ethics, explained the feelings of that Committee in regard to its work, and emphasised the fact that it was the wish of the Committee to do its work in such a way as to help the cause of the League of Nations and not to be obstructive. He accepted the amendment to the aims and policy.

See minute 277 done
Resolved:- "That sub-clause (d) of para 3 of the aims and policy of the Committee of Religions and Ethics be amended, and that Lady Gladstone be asked to serve on that Committee as an additional representative of the Executive Committee."

274. PROPOSED ANGLO-FRENCH PACT.

The Chairman promised to draft a letter in reply to the Prime Minister's letter of March 23rd and to circulate it in time for the next meeting of the Executive when the further question of whether the correspondence should be published, and what action, if any, be asked of branches in regard to this matter, could also be discussed.

275. MR. GERAID SPICER.

The General Secretary reported that Mr. Gerald Spicer, formerly of the Foreign Office, and an officer specially concerned with the work of the League of Nations, was willing to work for the Union on two days a week, in return for his expenses which he estimated at a guinea a day. It was proposed that pending the appointment of a successor to Col. Borden Turner, Mr. Spicer should be responsible to the General Secretary for the Union's correspondence with the voluntary societies abroad, and with the Federation of Voluntary Societies, and that Mr. Spicer's work should begin early in May.

It was further proposed that so far as was practicable Mr. Spicer should be responsible to the General Secretary for all Overseas correspondence, apart from correspondence with the League of Nations or the International Labour Office.

Resolved:- "To approve of the arrangements made by the General Secretary and to accept the kind offer of Mr. Gerald Spicer with thanks."

276. BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported a letter from the Secretary of the Boy Scouts Association agreeing to receive a deputation from the I.N.U. on Wednesday, April 5th at 4 o'clock in order to discuss the position which the Boy Scouts Association has taken up in regard to the I.N.U.

Resolved:- "That the following be asked to act on this deputation: Lord Robert Cecil, Professor Gilbert Murray, Lt. Gen. Sir Hubert de la Poer Cough, Major Gen. Sir F. Maurice, and the General Secretary."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

APRIL 6th 1922 AT 11 o'clock.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Iord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman); Sir John Barran, Bt., Major J.D.Birchall, M.P., Major D.C. Brown, M.P., Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., Captain Colin Coote, M.P., Lt.Colonel David Davies, M.P. the Rt.Hon. Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., the Viscountess Gladstone, Major the Hon.W.Ormsby Gore, M.P., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., the Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs. Oliver Strachey, Henry Vivian, Esq., J.P., Charles Roberts, Esq., together with the General Secretary, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Mrs.Dugdale, Miss Murray, the Hon.Oliver Brett, Major V.E.G. Murray, Captain W.D.Bissett, V.C., Mr.W.O'Moloney, Mr.I.L.Irwin and Mr.D.H.Mills.

MINUTES277. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mr.A.Whitehead and Mr.F.N.Keen.

278. MINUTES.

Subject to an amendment providing for the addition of the words "subject to the approval of the Committee" in minute 273, and the referring back of minute 267 for redraft, (to be submitted again for the approval of the Committee), the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held March 30th 1922 were approved as circulated.

279. SAAR BASIN - ADMINISTRATION.

It was reported that no reply had been received from the Secretariat in regard to the League Council's decision about the government of the Saar Basin.

280. MINORITIES IN SMYRNA.

Iord Robert Cecil stated that he had asked a question in the House of Commons on April 3rd asking H.M.Government what steps were being taken to prevent massacres and other outrages in Asia Minor, pending the proposed transfer of responsibility to the League of Nations.

Mr.Harmsworth had replied that he (Iord Robert Cecil) might rest assured that the arrangements drawn up in Paris in consultation with the competent military authorities provided for the presence of allied officers in the areas mentioned for the object of preventing massacres and other outrages. Until the reply of the Turks was received, however, no pressure could be exercised other than the public opinion of the civilised world.

281. MR GERAID SPICER.

Mr.David Davies pointed out that although he welcomed the appointment of Mr.Gerald Spicer, he thought that the Overseas Committee should have been consulted in regard to the appointment.

The General Secretary pointed out that the appointment had gone through the usual channels, namely, the Staff Appointments Committee, and the Management and Executive Committees.

Resolved:- "That in future, in the case of appointments of Secretaries to Committees, or other similar officials, the Chairman of the Committee immediately concerned be consulted, so that if he sees fit, he might call a special meeting of his Committee to consider the proposed appointment."

282. BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that the deputation agreed upon at the last meeting of the Committee did not meet the General Purposes Committee of the Boy Scouts Association, as arranged.

The Boy Scouts Association had now suggested that the deputation from the Union should attend on either April 26th or May 3rd.

Resolved:- "That the following be asked to join the deputation on behalf of the Union to meet the General Purposes Committee of the Boy Scouts Association on May 3rd, namely:- Lord Robert Cecil, Professor Gilbert Murray, Sir Arthur Shirley Benn and Captain Walter Elliot."

283. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending April 3rd 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £12,081.7.1 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2750.

284. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Tariff Wars. The Committee considered the resolution submitted by the Tariff Wars Committee. The Committee amended the draft resolution.

Resolved:- "To adopt the following:

'Considering that the tariff barriers at present existing between states, members of the League, constitute a grave menace to the economic rehabilitation of the world, and consequently to the realisation of the League's ideal of a world peace established on a firm political and economic basis; and that the provisions of Article 23 of the Covenant, confirmed by the declaration of the Supreme Council of March 8th 1920 and further emphasised by the resolutions of the Brussels International Financial Conference in September 1920 are not sufficiently specific to meet the urgency of the problem, and have not been carried out by members of the League in the letter and the spirit:
The Executive Committee of the I. of N.U. desires to draw the attention of the British representatives at Genoa to these pronouncements, and to urge them to initiate and support definite practical measures to secure the fulfilment of the policy therein expressed by all the States participating in that Conference whether small or great.

(NOTE. The declaration of the Supreme Council referred to above was -

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 "That the States which have been created or enlarged as the result of the war should at once re-establish full and friendly co-operation, and arrange for the unrestricted interchange of commodities in order that the essential unity of European economic life may not be impaired by the erection of artificial economic barriers".

(b) Mandates - Near Eastern Settlement. The Committee considered the report of the Mandates Committee, and

Resolved:- "That the attention of the British Government be drawn to the fact that no mention is made in the recent Near East Agreement of those sections of the Treaty of Sevres which deal with mandates, and that the Government be asked to press for provisional recognition of the 'A' mandates as drafted until such time as the various agreements in the Near East are embodied in a treaty."

(c) Education. The Committee considered the minutes of the Education Committee dated March 31st 1922.

Resolved:- "To ascertain who would be attending the Moral Education Congress at Geneva in July 1922 with a view to inviting a suitable person to represent the Union's interest."

(d) Staff Appointments. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day, and this report was adopted.

(e) Overseas Committee.

Prague Conference. The Overseas Committee reported that the following had promised to go to Prague: Lt. Colonel David Davies, the Viscountess Gladstone, Sir Willoughby Dickinson, and Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore.

Resolved:- "That the following be also asked to form part of the delegation: Mrs. Walter Kunciman, the Rt. Hon. J. R. Clynes, Captain Walter Elliot, Major Gen. Sir F. Maurice, and the General Secretary."

It was further

Resolved:- "To approve of the suggestion that Sir Willoughby Dickinson should represent the Union at the meeting of the Bureau of the Federation at Munich on April 18th, and that Sir W. H. Dickinson and Professor Gilbert Murray should represent the Union at the meeting of the Minorities Commission of the Federation at Munich on April 19th."

The Committee

Resolved:- 1. That the following recommendations of the Overseas Committee be agreed to:-

- (a) That the following Societies be recognised by the Union as corresponding members and as working for international co-operation, and therefore indirectly for the cause of the I. of N:

The League to Enforce Peace (Mr. Short).
 The Foreign Policy Assoc. (Mr. McDonald).

The National Council for Disarmament. (Mr. Libby).
 The League of Women Voters. (Miss Mary Hay).
 The Federation of Churches. (Rev. Dr. MacFarland).
 The Women's Pro-League Council (Mrs. Laidlaw).
 The Inter-Collegiate Liberal League (Mr. J. Rothschild).
 The League of Nations Union (Mr. Fogdick).

- (b) That the application form to the Carnegie Peace Foundation should be duly executed, and that Lord Robert Cecil should be asked to write a personal letter to Mr. Root for the favourable consideration of this application when it comes before the governing Committee of the Carnegie Peace Foundation.
- (c) That the American sub-Committee should be asked to consider Lt. Colonel David Davies' report on his visit to America and to make any suggestions which occur to them.
2. That subject to the approval of the Finance Committee, the literature of the Union should be sent to the Organisations enumerated in paragraph 1 and to the persons contained in the two lists marked 'A' and 'B' respectively. Also that the persons on list 'A' should receive a copy of HEADWAY, and a complete set of literature as issued by the Union with all reports from the Executive Committee, to the General Council, while those enumerated on list 'B' should receive HEADWAY and such publications as are considered of special importance.
3. That Professor Gilbert Murray and Lord Robert Cecil be asked to consider the following recommendation of the Overseas Committee:-
- 'That it is desirable that prominent members of the Union, and especially the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Executive Committee, Lord Robert Cecil and Professor Gilbert Murray, should visit America at the earliest possible opportunity, for the purpose of getting into touch with the friends of the League. Such a visit at this juncture would be fruitful of good results, and might be the means of re-establishing an energetic Voluntary Society in America.'
4. That the Union's delegation at the Prague Conference be asked to endeavour to persuade the French delegation, or failing that one of the Scandinavian delegations, to propose to the Conference a policy of Disarmament.
5. That no action be taken on the following recommendation:
- 'That steps should be taken to endeavour to arrange for the creation of some organisation which will ensure a closer relationship between Congress and Parliament, and which will make arrangements for intercourse between the members of the legislatures of this country and the U.S.'
6. That the following recommendations of the Overseas Committee be referred to the Editorial Committee for report:
- (a) That at least one page of HEADWAY should be devoted to the work of the Overseas Department and the Federation of Societies at Brussels.

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- (b) That more space should be given in HEADWAY to the policy and the activities of the Union in order that subscribers in foreign countries and especially in America shall be kept informed of the work and progress of the Union.

285. HEADWAY.

Several members of the Committee expressed dissatisfaction with HEADWAY, mainly on the ground that it did not sufficiently reflect the policy of the Union and did not sufficiently concentrate upon those matters which were of most concern to the League and to the Union. Other criticisms were made, and Professor Gilbert Murray promised to bring these criticisms before the Editorial Committee at its meeting that afternoon.

The Committee considered the report of the HEADWAY Contract Committee, and

Resolved:- 1. "To approve, subject to the concurrence of the Editorial Committee, the draft contract as recommended (See Annex 'A')."

2. "That the following recommendation of the HEADWAY Committee be referred to the Editorial Committee for consideration and report:

"That it is desirable that the expenditure of the £24 maximum per month allowed under the proposed contract for contributors' fees should be subject to the approval of the General Secretary, and that to this end the General Secretary's approval should be obtained beforehand whenever it is proposed to spend any portion of this £24 per month."

286. NEAR EASTERN SETTLEMENT.

Professor Arnold Toynbee was present during the discussion of two memoranda on the Near Eastern Settlement and the Armenian National Home.

Resolved:- 1. That a sub-Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the best means of preventing the recurrence of massacres during the transitional period that must intervene before the proposed settlement in Asia Minor and Thrace is complete."

2. That the following be asked to serve upon this sub-Committee: Professor Arnold Toynbee, Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore, Mr. J. H. Harris, Mr. Charles Roberts, and Captain Elliot."

The Committee approved of the suggestion that Mr. Aubrey Herbert should be asked to give his advice to the Committee, if, and when, that Committee so desired.

287. PRAGUE CONFERENCE. UNIFORM DEVICE.

Resolved:- "To recommend at the Prague Conference of the International Federation of Associations for the adoption as an emblem of the Federation and of the individual Societies, the device at present in use the length and breadth of the rectangle are ~~and are a half times greater than~~ the major and minor axes of the ellipse formed by the "touching points" of the 51 stars and

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288. GENERAL COUNCIL - APPORTIONMENT OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The General Secretary submitted a memorandum (Annex 'C') concerning the apportionment of annual subscriptions between Branches, Districts and Headquarters.

Resolved:- 1. To approve of the principles laid down in the memorandum.

2. To recommend to the General Council of the union that Branches be urged to establish District Councils representative of County or other suitable areas, and to provide for the finance of such District Councils when established by setting aside a capitation fee of 7d per member per annum, or one-third of the net income of the Branch - the net income being the amount received by the Branch from members' subscriptions less the amount payable to Headquarters under Rule 12.

It was further

Resolved:- "Upon the recommendation of the Women's Organisation Committee to recommend to the General Council "That Rule 20 (5) shall read - 'Representatives of affiliated and co-operating bodies' and that the words 'co-operating bodies' shall be added whenever affiliated bodies are referred to in the rules.

289. "NO MORE WAR" - INTERNATIONAL DEMONSTRATIONS.

The Committee considered a proposal from the London Secretary of the "No More War" movement that the Union should co-operate and be represented upon the London General Committee for demonstrations against war to be held on July 29th.

Resolved:- "That the question of taking part in the 'No More War' demonstrations be deferred for consideration at a future meeting."

290. GENOA CONFERENCE.

The Committee received the resolutions of the Executive Committee of the Italian League of Nations Association.

Resolved:- "That these resolutions be referred to the Amendments to the Covenant Committee."

291. ARGENTINE LEAGUE OF NATIONS ASSOCIATION - PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO COVENANT.

The Committee received a memorandum of the Argentine Association for a League of Nations.

Resolved:- "That this be referred to the Amendments to the Covenant Committee."

292. RUSSIAN REFUGEES - RESOLUTION OF CHELSEA BRANCH.

The General Secretary reported the receipt of a resolution of the Chelsea Branch as follows:-

"That the Chelsea Branch of the I.N.U. realising the urgency of the Russian Refugees problem

presses the I. of N. to make every effort to bring to a successful end the work that it has already begun on behalf of the Refugees and particularly the work connected with their dispersal and settlement in Czecho-Slovakia, Yugo-Slavia and Bulgaria."

Resolved:- "That this be forwarded to the League of Nations at Geneva."

293. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from the International Law Association stating that the next Conference of the Association would be held at Buenos Aires on August 24th next and that the Conference would open the discussion on the League of Nations. The Association requested that the Union should be represented at this Conference.

The General Secretary stated that Mr. F.N. Keen had written commending Dr. Bellot's advice to the Committee, namely, that the cause of the League should be effectively championed at Buenos Aires.

The General Secretary was requested to ask Lord Phillimore's opinion of the Conference and to ask if it was possible for him to represent the Union at Buenos Aires.

294. ANTI-VIVISECTION SOCIETY.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Mr. E.A. Hay, a member of the Union, resigning his membership of the Union, if the Union by supporting the Health Committee of the League, is giving support indirectly of the practice of vivisection. He proposed to reply that no Committee of the Union had expressed any opinion on the question, whether they regarded the proposals of the Health Committee of the League of Nations as a justifiable activity on the part of the League.

Resolved:- "That the matter be left in the hands of the General Secretary."

295. PROPOSED ANGLO-FRENCH PACT.

The Committee considered a letter drafted by the Chairman replying to one from the Prime Minister of March 23rd in reference to the Anglo-French Pact. This was amended and finally approved. (See Annex 'C').

Resolved:- (a) That this correspondence be circulated to the branches with the request that they take action along these lines.

(b) That the correspondence be published in the press, and in Headway."

296. GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

The Committee approved, subject to two minor alterations, a memorandum drafted by the Chairman on the admission of Germany to the League. This memorandum had been drafted at the request of the last Management Committee to be used at the discretion of Sir Willoughby Dickinson or Professor Gilbert Murray at the Prague Conference when the question of the admission of Germany to the League was discussed.

297. DERBY COUNTY ORGANISATION.

The General Secretary referred to minute 207 of the Management Committee and said that the Derbyshire County Committee were now pressing for the Executive Committee's decision.

Resolved:- "To confirm the arrangement provisionally made by the General Secretary, viz: to guarantee to find not more than £170 during the 12 months beginning April 1st for the conduct of the Derby County Organisations on the understanding that Headquarters would receive the whole of the proceeds of the Derbyshire County Appeal, less the cost of obtaining the money which latter cost would include out-of-pocket expenses incurred with the demonstration to be held at Chatsworth (by the invitation of the Duke of Devonshire) on Saturday, July 1st).

Robert Cecil

HEADWAY CONTRACT COMMITTEE.

1. That the draft contract be as follows:-

THE LONDON MERCURY agrees to print, publish and obtain advertisements for the official organ of the LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION now known as HEADWAY for a period of nine months beginning 1st April 1922 (subject to the condition that, at the end of this nine months, the League of Nations Union is free to make a new contract with the London Mercury, or any other firm, and without any liability whatever to the London Mercury), at the following scale of costs:-

Specification: 20 or 24 pp. $8\frac{1}{2}$ " by $12\frac{1}{2}$ "
(number of pages according to number of advertisement pages).

To printing
(cost of making blocks to be included in the printing charge).

Lowest contract price possible that enable standard to be maintained plus 10 per cent - it being agreed that for the purpose of determining the total printing charge (inclusive of the percentage), the total charge at the prices ruling on 23rd March 1922, shall be £132 for the first 58,000 copies of 20 pp each and £2. for each run on of 1,000 copies.

To paper

Market price plus 10 per cent - it being agreed that for the purpose of determining the total charge for paper (Inclusive of the percentage) the total charge at the prices ruling on 23rd March 1922 shall be at the rate of £98 for 58,000 copies of 20 pp. each.

To wrappers

According to number used at 8/- per thousand.

To contributors
(including cost of photographs and drawings).

£24 per month or such less sum as is actually spent under this head in respect of one number.

To management
(including the cost of obtaining advertisements).

£93: 5: 0 per month.

PROVIDED ALWAYS that the League of Nations Union shall not be liable for any other expenses incurred by the London Mercury or by the Editor of HEADWAY excepting those specified above.

APPORTIONMENT OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS BETWEEN BRANCHES, DISTRICTS & HEADQUARTERS.

The Union has now 800 Branches, and nearly 175,000 members. By the end of the year, the number of Branches should have increased to 1,000 and the number of members to 250,000, provided that the present rates of increase are maintained, and the present members of the Union continue to renew their subscriptions. This growth is rendering possible a new development of the Union's organisation, namely, the covering of the whole country by a network of county or other district federations of Branches. The formation of such federations, each with its own paid Secretary, would greatly facilitate the further growth of the Union. The rules provide for the formation of District Councils, financed by the Branches which they federate. At present the only Districts already organised with their own paid Secretaries are:-

Glasgow and South-Western (Scotland); Tyneside; Liverpool and Merseyside; Manchester (including S.W. Lancashire and N.E. Cheshire); Nottingham (where the formation of a District is not yet complete); Derbyshire county; Birmingham; Buckinghamshire county (whose Secretary is unpaid).

The following Districts have also been formed with part-time unpaid Secretaries:-

Bradford; Bristol; Coventry, East Riding (Yorks); Fylde (Lancashire); N.E. Lancashire, N. Staffordshire.

Any modification of the Union's financial arrangements that may be made by the General Council in May will not presumably begin to operate until the next financial year begins in May 1923. By that time the annual subscriptions of the Union's members should amount to £25,000 a year. Of this sum Headquarters will receive in respect of out-of-pocket expenses, £14,000 made up of £3,000 for the 3d capitation fee, £9,300 for HEADWAY and £1,700 for publications. The Branches will thus be left with £11,000 a year.

The following method suggests itself for providing the funds necessary for maintaining District Councils with paid Secretaries. It is:-

To recommend the General Council of the Union to resolve that Branches be urged to establish District Councils representative of county or other suitable areas, and to provide for the finance of such District Councils when established by setting aside either a capitation fee of 3d. per member per annum, or one-third of the net income of the Branch - the net income being the amount received by the Branch from members' subscriptions, less the amount payable to Headquarters under Rule 12.

If such a resolution were adopted by the Council, and acted on by the Branches, there would be immediately available an income of from £150 to £200 a year in the larger districts, and an income of one half that amount in those other county areas which are already ripe for the formation of District Councils. In the largest centres - Glasgow, Manchester, Liverpool, Birmingham, Tyneside - the income would be greater, and a whole-time paid Secretary could be maintained. In county areas where the income was only about £100 a year, it would generally be possible to find a Solicitor, or Accountant, or Insurance Agent, who was a member of the Union and had an office in the county town, who would be willing for an honorarium of £50 or £100 a year to undertake in his office the work of the Union's County Federation or District Council.

Annex 'D'.



Annex 'C'.

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15 Grosvenor Crescent,
S.W. 1.

6th April, 1922.

My dear Prime Minister,

I have to thank you very warmly for your letter of the 23rd ultimo.

In reply, the Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union desire me to say that in your letter of February 18th they were not dealing with the proposed pledge against aggression, but with the suggested Anglo-French and Anglo-Belgian Pacts. With regard to the latter, they desire me to point out that the proposed pacts differ considerably from the tripartite agreement the United States, France and Great Britain suggested at Paris, since an obligation shared by America is not the same thing as one undertaken solely by this country. They feel that any guarantee given to France and Belgium should be part of a general defensive agreement based on the reduction of armaments.

In these circumstances, my Committee are compelled to adhere to the views set out in their letter of the 18th February, and to express the strong hope that the Government will not revert to the system of partial Alliances which it was one of the objects of the Covenant to put an end to.

The Committee propose to publish this correspondence.

Yours very sincerely,

(sgd) Robert Cecil.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

APRIL 27th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman);
The Rt.Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P., Percy Bigland, Esq., Major D.C.
Brown, M.P., Captain Colin Coote, M.P., Captain Walter Elliot,
M.P., the Viscountess Gladstone, Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon, D.Sc. Ph.D.,
Major the Hon.W.Ormsby Gore, M.P., Lt.Gen.Sir Hubert de la Poer
Cough, G.C.M.G., John H.Harris, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt.,
F.N.Keen, Esq., Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G.,
Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Charles
Roberts, Esq., Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P.: together with the General
Secretary, Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, the Hon.Oliver Brett, Captain
Lothian Small, Mr.W.O'Moloney, Miss Brodie, Miss Murray,
Mr.I.I.Irwin and Mr.D.H.Mills.

MINUTES298. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir
Willoughby Dickinson, K.B.E., Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mrs.Oliver
Strachey and Mr.Whitehead.

299. MINUTES.

Subject to an amendment in minute 287 the minutes of the
last meeting of the Committee dated April 6th 1922 were approved
and adopted.

The re-draft of minute 267 was approved.

300. SAAR BASIN - ADMINISTRATION.

The General Secretary reported that the Secretariat had now
sent the report of the League Council's decision about the govern-
ment of the Saar Basin. This was under consideration.

301. MINORITIES IN SMYRNA.

It was reported that there were further developments in regard
to the question of massacres and other outrages in Asia Minor
pending the proposed transfer of responsibility to the League of
Nations. Captain Colin Coote and Major Ormsby Gore promised to
ask questions in the House of Commons in regard to this matter.

302. MORAL EDUCATION CONGRESS.

The General Secretary reported that Mr.F.J.Could, the Secretary
of the Moral Education Congress, would in addition to his official
duties, represent the Union's interest at this Congress in July.

303. AMERICA - PROPOSED VISIT OF LORD ROBERT CECIL.

In regard to the recommendation of the Overseas Committee, that
Lord Robert Cecil and Professor Gilbert Murray should visit America
at the earliest possible opportunity, Lord Robert stated that he
had been advised that the time was not opportune for this visit.

304. NEAR EASTERN SETTLEMENT.

The General Secretary reported that the sub-Committee appointed

to consider the report of the best means of preventing the recurrence of massacres in Asia Minor, would meet on the following day. In the meantime Mr. Philip Baker on behalf of Sir Eric Drummond had written to ask if the Union had any objection to the memorandum on Armenia by Professor Toynbee being utilised officially by the political section of the Secretariat. Professor Toynbee had no objection to this memorandum being used in this way, and it was

Resolved:- "That the Secretariat be informed that the Executive Committee had no objection to the memorandum being used as an official document."

305. "NO MORE WAR" - INTERNATIONAL DEMONSTRATIONS.

Resolved:- "That the question of taking part in the 'No More War' demonstrations be placed on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting of the Executive."

306. GENOA CONFERENCE - RESOLUTION OF THE ITALIAN SOCIETY.

The General Secretary read a letter from Mr. Philip Baker in regard to the resolution of the Italian League of Nations Society concerning the Genoa Conference and its relation to the League.

Resolved:- "That the Union's delegation to the forthcoming Conference at Prague should take up this matter with the Italian delegation there."

307. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that in accordance with an instruction of the Executive Committee he had asked Lord Phillimore's opinion of the International Law Conference to be held on August 24th at Buenos Aires, and also whether it would be possible for Lord Phillimore to represent the Union at this Conference. Lord Phillimore had now replied, stating that he thought the League of Nations Union would do well to be represented at Buenos Aires. He hoped to attend the Conference himself, but it was probable that he might be prevented. If he did attend, he would be glad to represent the Union there. Lord Phillimore suggested that in any event the Union should send an address of welcome and sympathy to be read to the Conference.

Resolved:- 1. To accept Lord Phillimore's kind offer to represent the Union at Buenos Aires.
2. That Mr. F.N. Keen be asked to prepare an address to the International Law Conference, and that this be first approved by Professor Gilbert Murray."

308. ANGLO-FRENCH PACT.

The General Secretary reported that the correspondence between Lord Robert Cecil and the Prime Minister, in regard to the proposed Anglo-French Pact, had appeared in full in the 'Manchester Guardian', and some account of it had been given in eleven other newspapers.

309. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending April 24th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to

£12,991.1.7 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £3,500.

310. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Editorial Committee. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated 6.4.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (5) 'Headway' recommendations of Overseas Committee; and (6) 'Headway' Contract).

(b) Christian Organisations Committee. The minutes of the Christian Organisations Committee dated 5.4.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (1) League of Nations Sunday; (2) Corporate Members; and (7) Relation with American Churches).

(c) Overseas Committee. The minutes of the Overseas Committee dated 5.4.22 were approved and adopted subject to the following reservations:-

330. Society in Ireland.

The Executive Committee did not approve of the Overseas Committee's recommendation that the Overseas Secretary be sent as soon as possible to Ireland.

335. Admission of Germany to the League.

The Executive Committee decided to take no action in regard to the suggestion of the Overseas Committee that the Executive Committee should make every possible effort to persuade Germany to apply for membership of the League in time for the next meeting of the Assembly.

(These minutes included (328) Tour of I.N.U. Members to Prague; (329) Selection of delegates to Overseas Assemblies and Conferences; (335) Report of German Society; (740) Headway).

(d) Women's Advisory Committee. The minutes of the Women's Advisory Committee dated 4.4.22 were approved and adopted with the exception of the recommendation contained in minute (65) Standing Orders. This recommendation was to the effect that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman elected annually by the Women's Committee should be members of the I.N.U. Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee considered that this would be a precedent for other Committees, and it was

Resolved:- "That this be pointed out to the Women's Committee and also the fact that both the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Women's Committee were already members of the Executive, and it was hoped to continue this arrangement."

(These minutes included (64) Resignation of Miss Maude Royden; (65) Standing Orders; (66) Corporate Members; and (67) Mui Tsai).

the Executive Committee expressed its agreement with the decision, but decided to take no action in its official capacity, believing that action can be more effectively taken in other ways

(e) Labour Advisory Committee. The minutes of the Labour Advisory Committee dated 10.4.22 were approved and adopted, subject to a reservation in regard to minute 22(a).

Resolved:- "That the question of an appointment of Councillor T.F. Fathers at Birmingham on the staff of the Labour Department of the Union, be referred to the Staff Appointments Committee."

(These minutes included (24) Labour Research Department; (25) Pamphlet on work of I.L.O.; (26) General Council nominations; and (29) Organisations of Ex-service men - resolution).

311. PRAGUE CONFERENCE.

The General Secretary reported that the following had accepted the invitation of the Executive Committee to go to Prague as official delegates of the Union: Lt. Colonel David Davies, M.P., the Rt. Hon. Sir W.H. Dickinson, K.B.E., the Viscountess Gladstone, Mrs. Walter Runciman, Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt., and the General Secretary.

The General Secretary proposed that in addition to the above delegates that Mrs. Dugdale, Captain Colin Coote, and a representative of labour (to be recommended by the Labour Advisory Committee) should be sent as delegates.

In order that the total expense might be kept within the £200 voted by the Executive Committee for delegates expenses, the General Secretary suggested that they should be allowed

second class return journey to Prague, together with £10 expenses.

Resolved:- "To agree to these suggestions."

The General Secretary further reported that as ten people had agreed to join the tour they should be recognised as delegates of the Union. If this was accepted he would also be able to take Mr. O'Mo'oney without cost to the Union.

Resolved:- "That the question of delegates to the Prague Conference be referred to the Overseas Committee, and that a report be presented to the next meeting of the Executive Committee."

312. FIGHT THE FAMINE COUNCIL.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from the Fight the Famine Council suggesting that a Consultative Committee of representatives of Organisations be set up with a view to co-ordinating and extending the efforts which are being made in the constituencies, with a view to making further efforts to procure a monetary grant or credits from the Government for Russian Famine Relief.

Resolved:- "That the League of Nations Union be represented upon the Consultative Committee of the Fight the Famine Council."

313. GENERAL COUNCIL - ANNUAL MEETING.

(a) Election of Officers.

Resolved:- "That the officers as elected last year be recommended for re-election at the annual General meeting, but that the names of Viscount Cowdray and Lt. Col. David Davies, M.P.

be added to the list of Vice-Presidents, and that Lt.Col.David Davies, M.P. be elected a Trustee vice Lord Balfour of Burleigh (deceased)."

(b) Election of Executive Committee. In accordance with Rule 22, it was

Resolved:- "To recommend to the Council that the following be re-elected to serve upon the Executive Committee:-

Rt.Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P.	Sir Ellis Hume Williams,
Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, M.P.	W.N.Keen, Esq. (M.P.)
Lord Henry Bentinck, M.P.	General Maurice, K.C.M.G.
Percy Bigland, Esq.	Oswald Mosley, Esq. M.P.
Lord Robert Cecil, M.P.	Professor Gilbert Murray.
Mrs.A.W.Claremont.	Lord Queenborough.
Rt.Hon.J.R.Clynes, M.P.	Charles Roberts, Esq.
Lt.Col.David Davies, M.P.	Mrs.Walter Runciman.
Lady Denman.	Mrs.Oliver Strachey.
Sir Willoughby Dickinson.	Raymond Unwin, Esq.
The Viscountess Gladstone.	Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P.
Major Ormsby Gore, M.P.	Aneurin Williams, Esq.
General Gough, G.C.M.G.	M.P.
J.W.Harris, Esq.	
Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt.	

(c) Amendments to Rules. The General Secretary reported that as the work of the Union in Wales was now self-supporting, the Finance Committee of the Welsh National Council had sent the following resolution for submission at the Annual meeting of the General Council, namely:

"That the General Council while affirming the principle that in Great Britain and Ireland there shall be a League of Nations Union - one and indivisible - with General Headquarters in London, recognise that, inasmuch as the work in Wales is now and will continue to be entirely self-supporting, and that conditions in Wales may call for administrative measures peculiarly adapted to the principality, it is desirable that the Welsh National Council should be granted the right to make such alterations and amendments in the Rules as the Welsh National Council, after consultation with the Executive Committee of the Union, may deem essential for the furtherance of the movement, in the area covered by its activities and its financial responsibilities."

The General Secretary stated that on receipt of this resolution he had written to the Hon.Director for Wales, pointing out that its adoption would involve setting up a separate Union for Wales, whereas the unity of the Union could only be assured by retaining a single instrument of government in the shape of a body of Rules established by the General Council of the Union.

In view of the fact that the resolution to be proposed at the General Council in May had to be circulated on April 25th he had ventured to substitute for the last paragraph of the above resolution, the following:-

".....It is desirable that provision should be made in the Rules of the Union to

meet the special circumstances of Wales, and that, to this end, the General Council of the Union should introduce into the Rules, such special provisions for Wales as may from time to time be proposed by the Welsh National Council, and recommended by the Executive Committee of the Union. "

The General Secretary had also written to explain his action to the Hon. Director for Wales, from whom he had just received a reply expressing complete personal approval.

Since the General Secretary's form of the resolution did not give power to the Welsh Council to establish separate Rules for Wales, it would be necessary to amend the existing Rules of the Union in order to give effect to the wishes of the Welsh Council as expressed in their letter. The General Secretary, therefore, recommended that the following amendments to Rules should be proposed by the Executive Committee to the General Council, and he had circulated these proposals to members of the Council on April 25th:-

Rule 4. Insert as a third inset paragraph immediately following the other two inset paragraphs:-

'Provided that the Executive Committee shall have power to modify the rates of subscription specified in the two preceding inset paragraphs payable by members of branches of the Union in Wales and Monmouthshire. '

Rule 6. Add: "This rule shall not apply to Wales and Monmouthshire."

Rule 9. Insert: "Committee or National Council" after "Executive ".

Rule 10. " " "or National Council" after "Committee."

Rule 12. Add: "Provided that the Executive Committee shall have power to waive or modify the obligations in these rules of Branches situated in Wales and Monmouthshire."

Rule 15. Begin the Rule. "Subject to the provision of Rule 20(7)."

Rule 16. Insert: "or National Council" after "Committee."

Rule 19. Begin the Rule. "Subject to the provision of Rule 20(7)."

Rule 20. Clause (7) to read:

"The Executive Committee shall have power to approve any arrangements for the -

(1) representation of Scotland and Wales on the General Council of the Union acceptable to the members of the Union in those two countries.

(11) formation of National Councils for Scotland and Wales (including Monmouthshire) by the branches and members living in those countries provided always that the branches in those countries shall be responsible for the financial support of the National Councils."

Rule 22. Insert: "Or National" after "District" in the second paragraph.

The Hon. Director for Wales had written expressing his personal approval of all of them with two minor alterations.

- Resolved:-
1. To approve of the resolution as amended by the General Secretary.
 2. To approve of the proposed amendments to Rules.
 3. To recommend to the Hon. Director of the Welsh Council to bring forward his two minor alterations to the meeting of the Council.

714. GENOA CONFERENCE.

The General Secretary read letters from Mr. Philip Baker dated April 14th and Mr. Harold Spender dated April 20th in regard to the Genoa Conference.

In regard to Mr. Baker's letter the General Secretary had written to Mr. Wilson Harris asking his advice, and he had replied suggesting that the Union should take no action. To this the Committee agreed.

Arising out of Mr. Harold Spender's letter the Committee discussed the situation arising out of the Genoa Conference and it was

- Resolved:-
1. That a small sub-Committee be set up to recommend the attitude of the Union in case of (a) success; (b) failure; and (c) compromise of the Genoa Conference."
 2. That the following be asked to serve on this sub-Committee: Lord Robert Cecil, Professor Gilbert Murray, Captain Walter Elliot, Captain Colin Coote and the General Secretary."

George R. Barnes

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MAY 4th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt. Hon. Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman); the Rt. Hon. G. N. Barnes, M.P., Major J. D. Birchall, M.P., Major D. Clifton Brown, M.P., Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., the Viscountess Gladstone, Lt. Gen. Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G., John H. Harris, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Bt. F.N. Keen, Esq., Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Mrs. Walter Runciman, Raymond Unwin, Esq., together with the General Secretary, Mr. A. J. C. Freshwater, Major W. E. G. Murray, Captain Iothian Small, Mrs. Dugdale, Miss Murray, Miss Brodie, Mr. O. S. Molony, Mr. I. L. Irwin and Mr. D. H. Mills.

M I N U T E S

215. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir Willoughby Dickinson, Professor Gilbert Murray, Lord Queenborough Major Gen. the Rt. Hon. J. E. B. Seely, Mrs. Oliver Strachey and Mr. Whitehead.

216. GENOA CONFERENCE - MANIFESTO.

The Committee gave consideration to a manifesto on the Genoa Conference drafted by a sub-Committee set up at the last meeting of the Executive (minute 214). The manifesto was amended and it was

Resolved:- "That the memorandum be approved as amended. (See Annex 'A')."

217. CHAIRMAN.

At this stage the Chairman had to leave the meeting and the Rt. Hon. G. N. Barnes was voted to the Chair.

218. MINUTES.

Subject to an alteration in minute 210(c) (275), the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held April 27th 1922 were approved as circulated.

219. AMENDMENTS TO COVENANT.

The General Secretary drew the attention of the Committee to minute 267. He was of opinion that in the seventh line of the second resolution in regard to "cases of litigation or dispute regarding industrial and commercial property that may arise between nationals of different states", after the word "should" the words "if the Permanent Court of International Justice" so recommends in any particular case" should be introduced. This impression was confirmed by Mr. F. N. Keen.

Resolved:- "That it be an instruction to the Union's delegation at Hague to propose an amendment to this effect."

320. MINORITIES IN SMYRNA.

The General Secretary reported that Captain Colin Coote had ascertained in the House of Commons, in reply to a question that the Foreign Office had not received reports of further fatal disturbances in Asia Minor, and that it had been reported that the Greek population round Smyrna had been armed, but that this had not been confirmed by investigation.

The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs had stated that the information in regard to the situation and events in that area was received from H.M. High Commissioner and the British Military Authorities at Constantinople; from the British liaison officers with the Greek army; from H.M. Consular officers in Smyrna and Syria, and from the British officers at Iraq.

321. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that Mr. F.N. Keen had agreed to prepare an address for the International Law Conference.

322. PRAGUE CONFERENCE.

The General Secretary reported that Lt. Colonel David Davies had written approving of the suggestion that the ten people who had agreed to join the deputation to Prague should be recognised as delegates of the Union. It was understood that these delegates would not sit on the committees of the Conference, but could take part in the general discussions and not vote.

323. "NO MORE WAR" DEMONSTRATIONS.

The Committee received a deputation from the "No-More War" International Demonstrations consisting of Major Atlee, Mr. B. Weaver, Mr. John Beckett and Mr. Fenner Brockway.

The deputation stated that they wished the co-operation of all movements which had as their object the prevention of war. The League of Nations Union was the only organisation which had not yet given its consent to co-operate. A resolution would be moved which would be agreed upon by all the Organisations taking part.

The I.N.U. if it agreed to participate would have representation upon the Governing Committee, and would help in the drafting of any resolution.

Resolved:- "To agree to participate in the "No More War" demonstrations, subject to -

- (a) The I.N.U. being granted a separate platform on the day of the demonstrations; and
- (b) Subject to the Executive Committee of the Union approving of the draft of any resolutions prepared for submission to the demonstration."

324. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending May end 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £14,112.17.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £3,500.

225. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Religions and Ethics. The minutes of the Committee of Religions and Ethics dated April 3rd and May 1st 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (61) Aims and Policy; (62) & (67) sub-Committee on Activities; (63) and (68) Additional Members of Committee; and (70) Nominations to General Council).

(b) Education. The minutes of the Education Committee held April 28th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (205) Report of Teachers Text Book; (207) Representatives to Council; (210) Circular letter to Directors of Education; (214) International Education Office; and (216) 'Headway' - children's page).

(c) Near Eastern Settlement. The minutes of the Near Eastern Committee dated April 28th 1922 together with a memorandum drafted by that Committee were approved and adopted.

(The minutes and the memorandum referred to above are appended to these minutes. See Annex 'B').

Captain Walter Elliot drew attention to the fact that the Churches Conference had been discussing the same matter as dealt with in the memorandum, and it was

Resolved:- "To ascertain what Conference was dealing with this matter and to consider collaboration for any further action."

(d) Labour Advisory Committee. The minutes of the Labour Advisory Committee held May 2nd 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (1) Trades Union Congress; resolution supporting I.o.F.N.; (2) Representatives to General Council; (3) Labour delegate to International Conference of Voluntary Societies - Prague; and (4) Ratification of International draft Conventions).

Captain Small was asked to see Dr. Ethel Bentham again and endeavour to persuade her to join the Union's delegation to Prague. The Committee

Resolved:- "To accept the draft (b) resolution in regard to the Ratification of International draft Labour Conventions, namely:-

"That the attention of the Minister of Labour be directed to the following excerpt from article 405 of the Versailles Treaty, namely:

"Each of the Members undertakes that it will, within the period of one year at most from the closing of the session of the Conference, or if it is impossible owing to exceptional circumstances to do so within the period of one year, then at the earliest practicable moment and in no case later than eighteen months from the closing of the session of the Conference bring the recommendation or draft

Convention before the authority or authorities within whose competence the matter lies for the enactment of legislation or other action.' And further that, in view of the importance of compliance being given to such article so as to get the support and goodwill of Labour, the Minister be urged to submit to Parliament all outstanding recommendations and conventions which have not yet been so submitted."

(e) Staff Appointments Committee. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day, and this report was approved and adopted.

(104) Mr. Edward Ellul - resignation. The General Secretary reported the resignation of Mr. Ellul (Overseas Dept), which took effect on April 29th.

Resolved:- "To accept the resignation with regret and to express to Mr. Ellul the thanks of the Union for the services he had rendered, and to congratulate him upon his new appointment."

(105) Mrs. Batten - resignation. The General Secretary reported that Mrs. Batten, who had for some time given voluntary services to the Union had now become Hon. Secretary of the Kensington Branch. This meant that she would be unable to give further time to the work at Headquarters.

Resolved:- "That the best thanks of the Union be accorded to Mrs. Batten for the very valuable services she had rendered to the Union."

(These minutes included (102) Mr. T. F. Fathers; (103) Application of Miss Beaver of the International Association for Labour Legislation).

326. GENERAL COUNCIL.

The Committee considered various matters to come before the General Council at its Annual meeting to be held on May 25th.

Resolved:- (a) To approve of the draft agenda and that Lord Robert Cecil be asked to speak in the afternoon instead of the morning.

(b) To approve of the Annual Report and the Balance Sheet and Audited Statement of Accounts.

(The General Secretary was asked to add a note at the foot of the Balance Sheet that Accounts did not include money in the hands of the Branches).

(c) To recommend to the General Council the election of the following officers:-

Vice-Presidents:- Professor Gilbert Murray.
The Rt. Hon. Lord Phillimore.

Hon. Vice-Presidents: Dr. Edouard Benes (Czecho-Slovakia).
M. Paul Hymans (Belgium).
M. le Jonckheer H. A. Karnebeek (Holland)
M. Schanzer (Italy).
M. Raymond Poincare (France).

Hon. Vice-Presidents: contd. Dr. Wellington Koo (China).
M. Giuseppe Motta (Switzerland)

The General Secretary reported that the following three names had been recommended by branches to serve upon the Executive Committee: Mr. A. Eberlin, J.P. (Nottingham); Mr. David Hunter, O.B.E. (Ilford) and Mr. E.W. Morton George, J.P. (Leytonstone).

The Committee approved of the nominations of the various sub-Committees under Rule 20 (4), (5) and (6).

327. CHEQUERS - GARDEN PARTY.

The General Secretary stated that he thought it was possible the Prime Minister would agree to the suggestion of holding a Garden Party in support of the Union's funds at Chequers. He asked the Committee's authority to make any arrangements should the Prime Minister agree.

Resolved:- "That authority be given to the General Secretary.

328. MR. J.C. SQUIRE - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Resolved:- "That Mr. J.C. Squire be co-opted a member of the Executive Committee."

Robert Cecil

ANNEX 'A'

6.5.22.
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The present International position imposes on Members of the League of Nations Union the utmost self-restraint lest by ill-advised words they may further complicate the very delicate situation which has arisen at Genoa. International co-operation was the first object for which the League of Nations was founded, and the policy of the Union must therefore be, as far as possible, to promote the reunion of the nations separated by the late war without estranging any of our Allies. A serious estrangement, for instance, between France and England would be as great a hindrance to European reconstruction as the permanent ostracism of Germany and Russia from the comity of Europe. A wise policy will be vigilant to avert either of these disasters even if necessary, at the cost of great patience and of material sacrifices. Whatever, therefore, may be thought about the basis or methods of the Genoa Conference, no adherent of the principles of the League of Nations can fail ardently to desire that reconstruction of Europe to assist in which the Conference was stated to have been summoned, still less should anything be said which would promote the opposite result.

At the same time, the Executive Committee of the Union see no reason to modify their original view that it would have been better for the Conference to have been held under the League of Nations, and the success of the recent League Conference on Epidemics at Warsaw in which Germany, Russia and Turkey were included, confirms that view. They hope that full use of the League machinery will be made in carrying out any conclusions arrived at by the Powers at Genoa which are within the scope of the League's purposes, and they trust that the importance of including within the League at the earliest possible moment, Germany and Russia will not be lost sight of. Recent events have shown how inevitable it is that Powers left outside the League should be tempted to enter into special engagements with one another and how impossible a policy of European agreement may become if such a state of things continues to exist.

MEETING OF THE NEAR EASTERN SETTLEMENT COMMITTEE

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 24th 1922 AT 11. a.m.

To discuss and finally recommend a policy for the Union in regard to Armenia.

Present:- Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., (In the Chair); Major the Hon. W. Ormsby Gore, M.P., Mr. Charles Roberts, Professor Arnold Toynbee, Mr. J. H. Harris, and the Overseas Secretary - Mr. O. S. Molony.

M I N U T E S

41. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported that the memorandum on the measures to be adopted to prevent massacres occurring during the evacuation of the Smyrna area by the Greek army, drafted by the Committee at its last session, had been submitted to Mr. Austen Chamberlain. Action had been taken on the memorandum.

5. RESOLUTION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (11.5.22) "THAT THE COMMITTEE WHICH CONSIDERED THE NEAR EASTERN SETTLEMENT SHOULD MEET AND RECOMMEND A POLICY FOR THE UNION IN REGARD TO ARMENIA."

It was observed that the wording of the Management Committee's resolution calling a session of the Near Eastern Settlement Committee restricted the scope of the discussion to Armenia. It was felt, however, that the Armenian question could only be satisfactorily approached in a discussion of the Near Eastern situation as a whole.

6. EXTRACT FROM LETTER AND MEMORANDUM BY MR L.P. CHAMBERS OF CONSTANTINOPLE WOMEN'S COLLEGE; LETTERS FROM ASSOCIATION OF GREEK PROFESSORS AND TEACHERS OF CONSTANTINOPLE.

A resume outline of these letters was given by the Overseas Secretary. No action was taken.

7. MEMORANDUM FROM PROFESSOR GILBERT MURRAY.

This letter was read. The Committee decided to take no action.

8. PUBLICATION OF THE ANGLO HELLENIC LEAGUE FORWARDED BY SIR ARTHUR CROSFIELD.

No action was taken.

9. MEMO FROM DR RASHID: THE OFFICIAL ATTITUDE OF THE ANGORA GOVT. TOWARDS THE DISTURBANCES IN PONTUS.

It was resolved that copies of Dr. Rashid's memorandum should be circulated amongst the members of the Committee.

10. PAMPHLET ON THE CASE FOR GREECE; AND LETTER FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF DEFENCE OF GREEK WOMEN OF ASIA MINOR.

No action was taken.

11. NOTES ON THE GABECO-TURKISH SETTLEMENT.

This letter was read and discussed.

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NEAR EASTERN SETTLEMENT

The Near Eastern Settlement Committee met on Friday, April 28th at 11 a.m. to discuss what measures had best be adopted to prevent massacres occurring during the evacuation of the Smyrna area by the Greek army and the subsequent advance of the Turks.

There were present: Major the Hon. W. G. R. Ormsby-Gore, M.P., Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., Professor Arnold Toynbee, Mr. J. H. Harris and the acting Overseas Secretary - Mr. W. O. S. Molony. Professor Gilbert Murray was also present.

Professor Gilbert Murray kindly accepted to act as Chairman of the Committee.

MINUTES

The Agenda before the Committee ran as follows:

1. Professor Toynbee's memoranda on the Protection of Minorities and on the Armenian National Home.
2. Interview with Mr. Austen Chamberlain.
3. Communication from Major Temperley.

1. PROFESSOR TOYBEE'S MEMORANDA ON THE PROTECTION OF MINORITIES AND ON THE ARMENIAN NATIONAL HOME.

The Committee took no action on Professor Toynbee's memoranda as a letter received from Mr. Philip Baker stated that the Secretary General of the League of Nations was anxious to utilize them officially in the Political Section at Geneva.

2. INTERVIEW WITH MR. AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN.

In pursuance of the decision expressed by the Executive Committee at its session on April 27th, Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. Clifton Browne, Major the Hon. W. Ormsby-Gore and Captain Walter Elliot that afternoon interviewed Mr. Austen Chamberlain on the question of the Near Eastern Settlement and the measures that should be taken to prevent massacres occurring during the evacuation of the Smyrna area by the Greeks.

On Mr. Chamberlain's suggestion the Committee decided to draft a memorandum on the question containing concrete proposals to be submitted to Mr. Chamberlain for action.

It was decided that this memorandum should also be submitted to the Executive Committee at its next session.

The memorandum was drafted by Captain Elliot during the meeting and was approved by the Committee.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM MAJOR TEMPERLEY.

The Committee decided on a recommendation contained in letter Major Temperley's (quoted below) to communicate with Mr. William Harris of the Daily News and Mr. Scott of the Manchester Guardian and to secure their views as to what steps could be taken to send a correspondent of one or other of those papers to the Smyrna area during the period of evacuation. Professor Gilbert Murray and Professor Arnold Toynbee kindly consented to communicate with these gentlemen.

12. TELEGRAM TO AMERICA.

It was reported that the following telegram had been despatched to America on May 18th.

"Understand our Government have asked Government of United States to participate in sending observers to Asia Minor to report on outrages by Turks and Greeks. Venture to ask if you can do anything to secure immediate acceptance by your Government.

(signed) Robert Cecil.
Queenborough.
Shirley Benn.
for L.N.U.

13. MEMORANDUM ON THE SITUATION IN THE NEAR EAST BY MAJOR ORMSBY GORE.

This memorandum was read and approved. It was accepted by the Committee as a satisfactory embodiment of its policy. The Committee unanimously resolved that this memorandum should be circulated amongst the members of the Executive Committee and submitted to the Executive for its next meeting together with a recommendation for its favourable consideration by the Executive.

Recommendation made on May 24th 1922 by the Near Eastern Settlement Committee to the Executive Committee for its favourable consideration.

The Recommendation is based on the memorandum drafted by Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore and approved by the Committee. The Committee recommends that the present dispute between Greece and Angora and the revision of the Treaty of Sevres be referred forthwith to the Council of the League and a special session of the Council summoned to deal solely with those matters.

14. MEMO ON MANDATE IN MESOPOTAMIA.

The Committee decided that, as the Mesopotamian Mandate lay outside the province of the subject under discussion, copies of this memorandum should be circulated amongst members of the Executive, for its next meeting, unaccompanied by any recommendation.

A. J. Soyubee
Chairman
28.7.22

The Committee furthermore decided to approach certain American Journals, notably the Christian Science Monitor and the United Press, and ask them whether or no they could furnish correspondents to report on incidents attending the evacuation. The acting Overseas Secretary undertook to do this.

(Following is quotation from Major Temperley's letter referred to in Minute 3 above:-

"I am sure you are right in thinking that some kind of pressure brought to bear by a single individual is a real check upon the Turks. So far as I can see it is the only check which can be exercised upon them under present conditions and I think experience shows that arrival of journalists always produces a certain amount of improvement in conditions. At the moment the time is not particularly favourable as all the journalists are, I suppose, at Genoa."

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Memorandum drafted for the
Committee on Friday, April 26th, 1922.

Proposals of the Paris Conference.

In the debate on the adjournment on April 12th 1922, Mr. Haras worth outlined the provisions made under the Paris proposals for the protection of Minorities in Asia Minor.

The essence of these proposals is :-

1. An Armistice period "up to 3 months."
2. An Evacuation period.
3. A period of permanent supervision.

The 2nd and 3rd periods are to be under the supervision of Allied Officers and Commissioners, and it is hoped that the 3rd period will be undertaken by the League of Nations. No Allied action however is contemplated till 2nd period (evacuation) begins.

Objections.

The proposals for a redistribution of territory at once raise the passions of the parties concerned and create an atmosphere in which outrages by irregular bands, if not by regular soldiers, are almost certain to take place. Several such are already reported in the very extensive area under occupation by Greek forces. Even if untrue, these reports inevitably increase the risk of counter-outrages by the Turkish troops when they take over this territory, and in the absence of any responsible neutral officers no authoritative denial can be given.

A period of three months negotiations seems to offer unnecessary opportunity to any one who wish for their own purposes to foment hatred either in Asia Minor, the Balkans or India.

In view of the above the following suggestion is offered :

That the British Ambassador at Paris should approach the French Government and endeavour to obtain its co-operation in the immediate appointment of a small number of Commissioners with instructions to proceed to this area, who would, by their very presence, exercise a restraining influence, and who would also provide a check upon false reports from this quarter being spread broadcast either in Europe or in the East. It is hoped that the Italian Government also might find it possible to send representatives.

Reasons for British Action.

It is suggested that Great Britain should take the initiative in this direction, for the following reasons :

1. British interests in this area are important, in particular the Smyrna-Aidin railway over which the evacuation must take place. This railway is owned by British shareholders.
2. French interests would also be directly menaced by disorder as the Kassaba railway is owned by French capital.

3. The pressure of British public opinion is essential if the Greeks are to be induced to evacuate Asia Minor and Thrace, as indicated by the Paris proposals. This would be greatly weakened if, during the Turkish advance, reprisal massacres were reported - and if, as is contemplated, all the area to be evacuated were left without Allied supervision until the end of the summer, outrages, followed later by counter-outrages, would be inevitably perpetrated.
4. Indian Moslem opinion, would be easily inflamed by rumours of such occurrences (even if erroneous), were such rumours not contradicted.

Objects.

The objects of such action should be -

1. To prevent such incidents occurring between the present date and the final peace settlement as would render permanent good relations between the various sections of the population more difficult, and the task of the League more expensive and more difficult.
2. To safeguard the interests of the British Empire, and the British taxpayer by taking, without delay, every possible step to prevent further disorder which would only result in further British commitments both political and military.

Furthermore it is suggested that the Pontus might be used as a counterpoise - that is to say - that officers should also be sent to that area to supervise the Greek minorities under Turkish administration in that area, thereby securing Greek co-operation for the sake of the Pontus and Turkish co-operation for Smyrna.

The invidious point of seeming specially to distrust the good faith and humanity of the Greeks would in this way be avoided.

The advantages of establishing direct contact with Angora through some positive proposal of this nature, are obvious.

It is therefore urged that the Allied Governments should be approached, on the lines above indicated, at the earliest possible moment, through the usual diplomatic channels.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MAY 18th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman);
 The Rt.Hon.G.N.Barnes, M.P., Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, K.B.E., M.P.,
 Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Esq., Captain Colin Cooté,
 M.P., the Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, K.B.E., Captain Walter
 Elliot, M.P., the Viscountess Gladstone, Major the Hon.V.
 Ormsby Gore, M.P., Lt.Gen.Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G.,
 John H.Harris, Esq., the Rt.Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt.,
 Oswald Mosley, Esq., M.P., Lord Queenborough, Mrs.Walter
 Runciman, Raymond Unwin, Esq., Henry Vivian, Esq., J.P., and
 Colonel J.Wedgwood, M.P.: together with the General Secretary,
 Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Mrs.Dugdale, Mr.O'S.Molony, Miss Murray,
 Mr.I.I.Irwin and Mr.D.H.Mills.

MINUTES329. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Colonel David Davies, Professor Gilbert Murray and Mrs.Strachey.

330. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee dated May 4th 1922 were approved as circulated.

331. GENOA CONFERENCE.

Resolved:- "That the Manifesto on the Genoa Conference adopted at the last meeting of the Executive be published in the next number of 'Headway'.

332. NEAR EASTERN ATROCITIES.

The Committee gave consideration to reported Turkish atrocities in the Near East, and to the Government's attitude towards this matter. It was suggested that efforts should be made to get American co-operation in an effort to suppress these atrocities, and it was felt that this should be done through private American individuals. Various opinions were expressed in regard to the best method of dealing with this matter and it was ultimately

Resolved:- "That the whole question be left in the hands of a Committee with power to act consisting of Lord Robert Cecil, Lord Queenborough, Captain Elliot, Colonel J.Wedgwood and Sir Arthur Shirley Benn."

333. PRAGUE CONFERENCE - AGENDA. -

The General Secretary ^{promised} that the Prague Conference Agenda would be circulated to the delegates to the Conference in time for the preliminary meeting of the delegates in London on Friday, May 26th.

334. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending May 15th 1922

showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £14,100.17.3 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £3,500.

335. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Overseas Committee. The minutes of the Overseas Committee dated 10.5.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (345) Prague Conference; (345b) Munich resolutions; (346) Ex-enemy Aliens; (348) 'Headway'; (355) Report on Overseas sub-Committee; (358) Proposed Hospitality Committee; and (362) Summer School at Pontigny).

It was

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary should enquire as to what the Council of the League were now doing in regard to the Lithuanian-Polish dispute."

(b) Management Committee. The minutes of the Management Committee dated May 11th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (221) Corporate Members; (222) Branches; (224) Canteen; (228) Exhibitions; (229) Resolutions; and (227) Armenia).

229(a) Resolutions.

Resolved:- "That Mr. J.T. Rae of the National Temperance League be asked to serve on the Committee set up at the last meeting of the Management Committee to go into the question of Liquor Traffic in mandated areas."

(This cancels the resolution of the Management Committee "that a representative of the Bishop of London group be asked to serve on this Committee.")

229(b) The Chairman stated that in regard to the resolution of the Council for representation of women on the League of Nations that two women had been appointed on the International Organisation of Intellectual work, together with Professor Gilbert Murray.

(c) Christian Organisations Committee. The minutes of the Christian Organisations Committee dated May 3rd 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (2) Relations with the American churches; & (3) Amendments to Covenant)

(d) Editorial Committee. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated May 11th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (7) Sale of 'Headway'; (4) Simplifying 'Headway'; (6) 'International Government'; (10) Capt. Berkeley's address; and (12) 'Headway' Contract).

(e) Finance Committee. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated May 3rd 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (226) L. of N. Sunday; (227) Transfer of £20,000; (229) Lantern Slides; (230) Circulation of free literature; (231) Purchase of Westminster lease; (233) Tender for display of literature; (234) Accounts for year 1921 and (235) Clerical assistance.

336. PROPOSED HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE.

The Committee gave consideration to a memorandum drafted by

Lady Gladstone proposing to appoint a Hospitality sub-Committee. This proposal had been approved in principle by the Overseas Committee at its meeting on May 10th.

Resolved:- "That the memorandum be approved and that the Overseas Committee be asked to form such a Committee."

237. "NO MORE WAR" DEMONSTRATION.

The General Secretary reported that since the last meeting of the Executive two meetings of the "No More War" demonstration Committee had been held, and that together with Mr. Charles Roberts and Major Murray he had attended the first meeting and Major Murray had attended the second meeting.

At the first meeting a resolution had been submitted, which in deference to the representative of the I.N.U., had been amended, and was now submitted for the consideration of the Executive Committee.

Resolved:- "To approve of the amended resolution as follows:-

"This mass meeting of citizens of London sends fraternal greetings to the similar gatherings now being held throughout Europe and America, joins with them in declaring its hatred of war and pledges itself to co-operate with them in working for conditions which will guarantee that there shall be No More War (a) by perfecting international organisation for the removal of the causes of war, the settlement of disputes, and the promotion of international co-operation; and (b) by developing an international sense of solidarity to which war will be impossible."/>

At the last meeting held on May 16th at which Major Murray was present a suggestion was made that processions be formed to march past the Cenotaph and pay tribute to the dead.

Resolved:- "That the attention of the Organisers should be called to the great sensitiveness which naturally existed with regard to the Cenotaph, and that therefore the utmost care should be taken not to do anything which could possibly be offensive to any one's feelings.

It was further

Resolved:- "Not to take part as a Union in the procession."

It was still further

Resolved:- "That Mr. J.R. Clynes among others be asked to speak from the I.N.U. platform and that Lord Robert Cecil should write a personal letter to him requesting him to do so."

238. PROPOSED CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIAN LEADERS.

In the absence of Colonel David Davies the resolution welcoming an international Conference of Christian leaders was postponed until the next meeting.

239. NON-JUSTICIABLE DISPUTES - COUNCIL OF CONCILIATION.

The Committee considered a memorandum by Mr. Raymond Unwin on the League of Nations method of dealing with non-justiciable disputes.

Resolved:- "To approve of the memorandum subject to the following amendments:-

- (a) That a clause be inserted to the effect that a panel be appointed for a definite term of say five years.
- (b) That it was open to the Court to go outside the panel in selecting a Commission to deal with disputes.

340. BOY SCOUTS ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that the deputation consisting of Lord Robert Cecil, Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, Captain Walter Elliot, together with himself had met the General Purposes Committee of the Boy Scouts Association on the afternoon of the previous day.

General
Purposes
Committee
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They had drawn the attention of the/following two notices which had appeared in the Boy Scouts Association magazine on April 14th and May 14th 1921:-

1. The Committee do not recommend members of Imperial Headquarters or Local Associations, as such, becoming members of this Union.
2. With reference to the notice in this column of the April issue, in order that there should be no misunderstanding, it should be understood that the Boy Scouts Association is in sympathy with the ideals of the League of Nations, but owing to questions of politics being involved the Boy Scouts Association should not be officially represented on the I.N.U."

The General Purposes Committee had agreed to insert in the next issue of the magazine a notice that there was no objection whatever to scouts joining the Union in their individual capacity and there would be no objection to scouts or scout patrols maintaining order or performing similar functions at meetings or demonstrations organised by the I.N.U.

341. HYDE PARK RALLY.

The Committee approved of the suggestion that at the Hyde Park Rally members of the Executive Committee should preside at the various platforms.

342. ABERYSTWYTH COLLEGE - CHAIR OF INTERNATIONAL POLITICS.

The General Secretary read a letter from the Principal of the Aberystwyth University College stating that Mr. A. E. Zimmern the occupant of the Chair of International Politics of that college had resigned at the end of last session.

A deed of trust had now been drawn up by which an endowment of the chair would be vested in trustees and the appointment of a professor had been placed in the hands of an advisory Board consisting of inter alia a person to be nominated by the Executive Committee of the I.N.U.

Resolved:- "That Professor Gilbert Murray be asked to serve on this Board."

343. TEMPORARY MIXED COMMISSION.

The General Secretary reported that Lord Esher had called to see him that morning and had mentioned to him the question of an early meeting of the Temporary Mixed Commission. Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had done his best to get an early meeting of this Commission and hoped one would soon be held in order that it might present a report to the next meeting of the Assembly.

344. ADMISSION OF GERMANY TO THE LEAGUE.

Sir Willoughby Dickinson raised the question of getting the British Government to state that it was prepared to support the application of Germany for admission to membership of the League. Lord Robert Cecil thought the best way to do this would be through the Parliamentary Committee. He had already spoken to Sir Ellis Hume Williams on the subject.

345. NEXT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE.

The General Secretary suggested that the next meeting of the Committee should be on Wednesday, May 21st. This being the date that the House of Commons would rise for the Whitsuntide recess, it was decided that the Committee be not held on this date.

Robert Cecil

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

MAY 20th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Rt.Hon.Lord Robert Cecil, M.P. (Chairman);
 Sir John Barran, Bt., Percy Bigland, Esq., Mrs.A.W.Claremont,
 Captain Colin Coote, M.P., Lt.Colonel David Davies, M.P.,
 Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., Major the Hon.W.Ormsby Gore, M.P.,
 E.W.Morton George, Esq. J.P., John H.Harris, Esq., the Rt.
 Hon.Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., David Hunter, Esq., O.B.E.,
 F.N.Keen, Esq., Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G.,
 Oswald Mosley, Esq. M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.
 Walter Runciman, J.C.Squire, Esq., Mrs.Oliver Strachey
 and Raymond Unwin, Esq.: together with the General Secretary,
 Mr.A.J.C.Freshwater, Mrs.Dugdale, Miss Murray, Miss Brodie,
 Colonel Borden Turner, Major W.E.G.Murray, Captain Lothian
 Small, Mr.O'S.Molony and Mr.D.H.Mills.

MINUTES746. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apology for absence was tendered on behalf of Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon.

747. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee dated May 18th 1922 were approved as circulated.

748. NEAR EASTERN ATROCITIES.

The Chairman reported that in accordance with minute 372 a telegram had been sent to America signed by Lord Queensborough, Sir Arthur Shirley Bann and himself, as follows:-

"Understand our Government have asked Government of United States to participate in sending observers to Asia Minor to report on outrages by Turks and Greeks. Venture to ask if you can do anything to secure immediate acceptance by your Government."

749. LIQUOR TRAFFIC COMMITTEE.

It was reported that Mr.J.T.Rae of the National Temperance League had been unable to accept a seat upon the Liquor Traffic in Mandated Areas Committee.

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary should consult with Mr.J.H.Harris as to who should be invited to serve on this Committee in place of Mr.Rae."

750. "NO MORE WAR" DEMONSTRATION.

Resolved:- "That a statement be circulated to the Branches pointing out that though the I.N.U. had promised to co-operate in the "No More War" Demonstration by having a separate platform at Hyde Park, Headquarters had not gone further and it was for Branches to consider whether it was desirable to do more."

351. CO-OPTATION OF MEMBERS.

Resolved:- "That the following be co-opted members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year:-

Sir John Barran, Bt., Major J.D. Birchall, M.P.,
Major Clifton Brown, M.P., Viscount Burnham/
A.W. Claremont, Esq., Captain Colin Coote, M.P./
Captain Walter Elliot, M.P., Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon/
D.Sc., Ph.D., J.F. Green, Esq., M.P., the Rt. Hon.
Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., Major Gen. the Rt. Hon.
J.E.B. Seely, M.P., J.C. Squire, Esq. Colonel J.
Wedgwood and A. Whitehead, Esq.

It was suggested that Major Gen. Sir J.H. Davidson, K.C.M.G. and Mr. F. W. Rafferty be also co-opted members of the Executive Committee.

Resolved:- "That these names be placed on the Agenda paper for the next meeting of the Executive."

352. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Finance Committee. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated May 17th were approved and adopted.

(These included minute (277) Financial Statement).

(2) Amendments to the Covenant Committee. The minutes of the Amendments to the Covenant Committee dated May 23rd 1922 were approved and adopted, subject to the following amendment:-

That the paragraph under the sub-heading "Annex IV (to be printed after Annex Z at the end of the Covenant) shall read -

"States qualified to be members of the Council of the League of Nations:-

United States of America.
The British Empire.
France.
Italy.
Japan.

(7) Near Eastern Committee. The minutes of the Near Eastern Committee dated 24.5.22 were approved and adopted.

(a) Situation in the Near East.

Resolved:- "That the suggestions contained in Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore's memorandum on the situation in the Near East be accepted in principle, but that before any reference is made to the League of Nations, it is essential that the Angora Government should agree to accept this proposal; and to this end that the Angora Govt. should immediately be sounded in this direction and that as an inducement to their acceptance and agreement to be bound by the decision of the League, the British Government should support the admission of Turkey to the League at the next Assembly."

It was further agreed that the following members of the Committee should wait immediately upon the acting Foreign Secretary and place these views before him, namely, Major the Hon. W. Ormsby Gore, M.P., Captain Walter Elliot, M.P. and Captain Colin Coote, M.P.

(b) Mandate in Mesopotamia. The Committee considered Captain Walter Elliot's memorandum on the situation as regards the mandate in Mesopotamia.

Resolved:- "That this memorandum be referred to the Mandates Committee and that this Committee be asked to make such enquiries as were necessary and report at an early meeting of the Executive as to the exact situation and that they further be asked to draft a model Treaty."

(4) International Labour Office Committee. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the International Labour Office Committee held 29.5.22.

The General Secretary estimated that the expenses of an Assistant and Speaker recommended by the I.L.O. would amount approximately to £1000 per year.

Resolved:- "That this expenditure be sanctioned subject to the approval of the Finance Committee."

(5) Parliamentary Committee. The Chairman reported orally upon the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee held the day previous which was addressed by Sir Charles Blarney Gordon, G.B.E., and Sir Henry Strackosch.

253. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending May 29th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £14,242.12.1 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,500.

254. VISIT OF EX-PRESIDENT TAFT.

Colonel David Davies stated that the Overseas Committee had recommended that when ex-President Taft was in this country he should be entertained to dinner or lunch. Colonel Davies had asked Lord Grey to formally invite ex-President Taft on behalf of the Union and he had consented to do so.

Resolved:- "That a cable be sent to ex-President Taft inviting him to such a function, and that Colonel Davies' action in this matter be approved."

255. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF CHRISTIAN LEADERS.

Colonel Davies proposed a resolution on the agenda paper standing in his name suggesting that the Union should co-operate in the International Conference of Christian Leaders. This resolution was amended and carried as follows:-

"The Union would welcome the calling of such an International Conference of Christian leaders as was proposed by Dr Jowett on Sunday, May 7 and that so far as it might prove practicable would place its information and its

organisation at the disposal of the promoters of the Conference."

That copies of this resolution be sent to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Cardinal Bourne, the Presidents of the several Free Church bodies and to Dr. Jowett, and the President of the Free Church Council.

256. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

Resolved:- "To approve of the address kindly drafted by Mr. F.N. Keen on behalf of the Executive Committee to the Conference of the International Law Association to meet at Buenos Ayres. (See Annex 'A')."

It was further

Resolved:- "That if Sir William Noble intended to go to Buenos Ayres he should be asked to represent the Union with Lord Phillimore."

X 257. WELSH COUNCIL.

The General Secretary pointed out that under the new amendments passed by the Council to Rules 4 and 12 it gave the Executive power to modify rates of subscription, etc. as far as branches of the Union in Wales and Monmouthshire were concerned.

The Welsh Council had made certain proposals modifying the Rules and asked that the Executive Committee should accept these proposals.

Resolved:- "That provisional assent be given but that the whole matter be adjourned until the next meeting of the Executive, and that for this meeting the amendments definitely proposed be circulated to the Executive Committee."

258. EXEMPTION FROM INCOME TAX.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Sir John Mann pointing out that section 17 of the draft Finance Bill seemed to affect the scheme of the Union under which donations spread over a period of three years were exempt from income tax. Sir John suggested that an amendment should be moved in the House of Commons suggesting that charitable institutions should be exempt from the proposed new clause.

Resolved:- "That this matter be referred to the Finance Committee."

259. BUCKINGHAMSHIRE FEDERATION.

The General Secretary reported that the Bucks District Council had made a request for an advance of £175 which was considered the estimate for the Council's necessary expenses for the first year.

Resolved:- "That this be referred to the Finance Committee."

Robert [signature]

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27.5.22.

An Address
from
the Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union
to
the Thirty-first Conference
of the International Law Association
to meet at Buenos Aires
on August 24th, 1922.

The Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union have been much gratified by the request that the Union should be represented at the Conference of the International Law Association at Buenos Aires, and by the announcement that the Conference will give considerable attention to questions connected with the League of Nations.

The Committee have been fortunate enough to obtain the consent of Lord Phillimore to act as the Union's representative. Lord Phillimore is not only one of the most distinguished of English lawyers, but also a tried and trusted friend of the Union and of the League of Nations, and the Union are happy in sharing with the International Law Association the privilege of being the recipients of Lord Phillimore's warm interest and sympathy and most able service.

The Committee are glad to record the existence of another personal link between the two bodies, in that Dr. Bellot, one of the Honorary General Secretaries of the Association, is a member of the Overseas Committee of the Union.

Besides being thus represented at the Conference, the members of the Committee wish to convey to the Conference a written expression of their good wishes and hopes for its success.

The world has urgent need of the assistance and the collective thought of international lawyers. There is firmly rooted and rapidly growing among the peoples of different countries, a desire and determination that international relations shall be placed on a basis which rules war out of existence, erects the common good of humanity as the supreme ideal, and ensures that truth and justice and reason shall prevail in the adjustment of all difficulties and disputes.

It is to the development of international law that the peoples must ultimately and chiefly look for ensuring the achievement of these purposes. The establishment of the League of Nations and the Permanent Court of International Justice has provided the means of advance, but the results of the working of these institutions will depend on the principles they adopt, and those principles must sooner or later be embodied in laws, clearly defined and universally known and acknowledged.

From the mass of the people themselves must come the power and will to make justice supreme and to ensure that violence and selfishness shall give way before the commands of reason, but it is to the few who possess special knowledge and experience that the people must look for guidance in the development of the institutions they set up and the definition of the principles to which those institutions shall give effect.

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The Committee do not doubt that at this time of universal need and expectation the Association will do its utmost so to apply the special knowledge and experience of its members that the best possible response shall be given to the call for the better regulation of international relations.

The Committee would remind the Conference that one of the express purposes of the founding of the League of Nations, as recited in the Preamble to the Covenant, is to promote international co-operation, and achieve international peace and security by the firm establishment of the understandings of international law as the actual rule of conduct among Governments.

International law needs to be universal in its operation, and it is important for this as well as other reasons that as soon as possible the League of Nations should be extended so as to include within its membership all organised political communities recognised as sovereign and independent. The Committee therefore think it is of happy augury that the Conference should be meeting in the territory of the Argentine Republic, which has given clear proofs of an earnest desire to promote the universality of the League.

The Committee trust that in the favourable and inspiring atmosphere of the Argentine Republic, the Conference will succeed in doing valuable work for the support and development of the League of Nations and the advancement of the reign of international law

Signed on behalf of the Executive Committee of
the League of Nations Union

Chairman

Dated

1922.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

JUNE 15th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT: - The Rt. Hon. Lord Robert Cecil, M.P., (Chairman);
 The Rt. Hon. G.N. Barnes, M.P., Sir John Barran, Bt., Percy
 Bigland, Esq., Major J.D. Birchall, M.P., Major D. Clifton
 Brown, M.P., Mrs. A.W. Claremont, A.W. Claremont, Esq., the
 Rt. Hon. Sir W.M. Dyckinson, K.B.E., E.W. Morton George, Esq.,
 J.P., Major the Hon. W. Ormsby Gore, M.P., Lt. Gen. Sir Hubert
 de la Poer Gough, G.C.M.G., John H. Harris, Esq., The Rt. Hon.
 Sir Charles Hobhouse, Bt., David Hunter, Esq. O.B.E., F.N. Aven,
 Esq., Major Gen. Sir Frederick Maurice, K.C.M.G., Oswald Mosley,
 Esq., M.P., Professor Gilbert Murray, Major Gen. the Rt. Hon.
 J.E.B. Seely, C.B., C.M.G., M.P., Mrs. Oliver Strachey, Raymond
 Unwin, Esq. and Henry Vivian, Esq. J.P.: together with Colonel
 Borden Turner, Mr. A.J.C. Freshwater, Mrs. Dagdale, Captain
 Iothian Small, Major W.E.G. Murray, Mr. I.I. Irwin and Mr. D.H. Mills.

MINUTES

760. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Lord
 Queenborough, Mrs. Walter Kunciman and Mr. J.C. Squire.

761. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee dated
 May 30th 1922 were approved as circulated.

762. LIQUOR TRAFFIC COMMITTEE.

It was reported that the Liquor Traffic Committee would
 be meeting during the following week, and it was

Resolved:- "That that Committee be asked to co-opt
 someone in the place of Mr. J.T. Rae who
 had written to say he was unable to serve."

763. NEAR EAST - SITUATION.

It was reported that the deputation appointed at the last
 meeting of the Committee had not been able to see the acting
 Foreign Secretary in regard to the resolution of the Executive
 concerning the situation in the Near East.

Resolved:- "That the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman
 nominate another deputation to meet
 the Foreign Secretary on Wednesday of
 the following week; and that Major
 Ormsby Gore be asked to prepare a
 memorandum on the subject."

764. EX-PRESIDENT TAFT.

It was reported that Mr. Taft had cabled to say that he
 thought it unwise to accept the invitation of the I.N.U. to
 a luncheon or dinner.

765. INCOME TAX - EXEMPTION.

It was reported that the Finance Committee had not yet

considered the section of the draft Finance Bill which seemed to affect the scheme of the Union in which donations spread over a period of three years were exempt from income tax. As the matter was urgent, it was

Resolved:- "That Captain Small in conjunction with Mr. Percy Hurd be asked to see various Members of Parliament including Mr. Stanley Holmes and Sir Ellis Hume Williams; and suggest that an amendment to this section be moved in the House of Commons under the names of as many members as possible."

766. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending June 12th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £14,646.1.11 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2000.

767. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Education. The summary of the minutes of the Education Committee dated May 26th 1922 was approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (222) Local Education Authorities; (227) Junior Branches; (224) Teachers' & School Meetings; (225) Association of Assistant Mistresses in Secondary Schools).

(b) Religions & Ethics. The summary of the minutes of the Committee of Religions & Ethics dated May 21st 1922 was approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (76) Activities; and (77) Honorary Secretary).

(c) Labour Advisory. Captain Small reported orally upon the meeting of the Labour Advisory Committee held 17.6.22.

(d) Parliamentary Committee. The Chairman reported orally upon the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee held the previous day, and stated that the following two resolutions had been passed by the Committee:-

1. Admission of Germany. "That the admission of Germany at the next Assembly of the League of Nations is of great importance to the peace of Europe."
2. Assembly Delegation. "That in selecting Great Britain's Delegation to the Assembly the Government be urged to consider the claim to representation of Labour and Women."

768. ADMISSION OF GERMANY.

Arising out of the report of the Parliamentary Committee the Executive adopted the following resolution:-

"That the admission of Germany at the next Assembly of the League of Nations is of great importance to the peace of Europe, and that the Government be urged to take all available steps to induce the German Government to apply for admission."

- Resolved:- 1. "That all speakers for the Union be asked to make this matter a very important point in their speeches.
2. "That Branches be asked to pass resolutions to this effect and send them to the Government.
3. That Branches be asked to get their members to write to their respective Members of Parliament advocating the admission of Germany.
4. That all the speakers at the Hyde Park Rally be asked to urge this matter in their speeches, and that the resolution to be submitted from all the platforms should include this point."

369. GENERAL COUNCIL - MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The Committee took note of the minutes of the General Council held May 25th 1922.

370. "HEADWAY."

Colonel David Davies said that arising out of the criticisms in regard to "Headway" at the General Council meeting, he would submit suggestions to the Chairman of the Editorial Committee.

371. ASSEMBLY DELEGATION - SUBSTITUTES.

A resolution standing on the agenda paper in the name of Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore was amended and carried as follows:-

"That pursuant to the Birmingham resolution the Government be urged to add to the delegates to the Assembly three unofficial substitutes of a representative character."

372. ATROCITIES IN ASIA MINOR AND ARMENIA.

The Committee received the following resolution of the Churches of Haddenham, Isle of Ely:-

"That we, as a united body of Christian men and women, protest with all our hearts against the continued cruelties practised by the Turks upon our fellow Christians in Asia Minor and Armenia and heartily support the Government in any steps that may be deemed necessary to take, to prevent such abuse of power. It was further agreed that copies of this motion should be sent to the Headquarters of the L.N.U.; and also to the local Member of Parliament a reply indicating the steps taken in the matter by the Executive Committee was directed to be sent."

373. PRAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Committee discussed briefly the report of the Federation Commission on Minorities, the discussion of which at the Prague Conference led to difficulties with the Little Entente delegations.

Resolved:- "That a report be drafted on the whole subject of the Prague Conference and that questions of procedure for the future be discussed then."

374. CO-OPTATION.

Resolved:- "That Major Gen. Sir J.H. Davidson, K.C.M.G., M.P., be co-opted a member of the Executive Committee, and that the names of Mr. F.W. Raffety and Mr. I.E. Chandler proposed for co-optation be brought up at the next meeting."

375. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

Mr. F.N. Keen raised the question of representation at the Conference of the International Law Association to be held at Buenos Ayres about which a communication had already been received from Dr. Bellot, the Secretary.

Mr. Keen was asked to make enquiries as to anyone who might attend on behalf of the Union and report to the next meeting of the Committee.

Robert Cecil

Note:-

Minutes of League Traffic Committee pages
192/193 transferred to International Policy Committee
Done 26/11/22

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

JUNE 29th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- Lord Robert Cecil (Chairman); G.N. Barnes;
Sir Arthur Shirley Benn; A.W. Claremont, David Davies,
E.W. Morton George, W. Ormsby Gore, Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon,
Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, John H. Harris, David Hunter,
F.N. Keen, Oswald Mosley, Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs.
Walter Runciman, Henry Vivian: together with the General
Secretary and D.H. Mills.

MINUTES

376. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir
John Barran, A. Eberlin, Esq., Sir Arthur Haworth, Lord Queenborough
General Seely and Lord Vernon.

377. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held
June 15th 1922 were approved as circulated.

378. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

Mr. F.N. Keen stated that at the request of the Committee
had/ he made several enquiries as to persons who might attend the
International Law Conference at Buenos Ayres on behalf of the
Union.

All the persons who had been approached, however, found
they were unable to attend, and Mr. A.A. Kennedy, K.C. was now
being approached by the General Secretary.

379. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending June 26th
1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £10,952.8.1
with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £7,200.

380. BUDGET - 1st JANUARY 1922.

A statement presented to the Committee showed that according
to the Budget, £16,291 had been estimated for ~~expenditure~~ during
the period from 1st January 1922 to 1st June 1922, although the
actual expenditure for that period amounted to £14,475.

The net ^{receipts during} ~~income for~~ the same period amounted to £20,064.0.5
Done

Resolved:- "That the Finance Committee be asked to prepare
a report on the income of the Union having
special regard to the question whether the
income during the remaining six months of
the year is likely to attain the sum estimated
in the Budget approved last December."

781. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Christian Organisations. The minutes of the Christian Organisations Committee dated June 14th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (1) American Churches; (2) Lantern Lecture; (3) Corporate members; (4) International Conference of Christian leaders).

The Committee reported that in a few cases where conscientious objectors to fighting found difficulty in joining the I.N.U., they had been permitted to do so with the following personal proviso:-

"I conscientiously object to the use of force in the settlement of disputes between individuals and nations; and, by becoming or remaining a member of the I.N.U. I am not abandoning this objection in whole or in part."

Resolved:- "That it be an instruction to the General Secretary that if a large number of persons joined the Union making this proviso, he should bring the whole matter before the Executive Committee again for discussion."

(2) Management. The minutes of the Management Committee held on June 22nd 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (240) Armenia; (241) Branches, etc. (244) Film; (245) I.I.O. Committee; (246) International Congress; (247) Germany and the League; and (248) Income Tax).

(3) Mandates. The Committee considered the minutes of the Mandates Committee held June 20th 1922.

Resolved:- (a) That subject to the approval of the Editorial Committee, Dr. Leys' pamphlet on "Land, Law and Policy in S. Africa" be printed.

(b) That the resolution of the Mandates Committee drawing the attention of the Executive to the "very grave danger that the Mandatory system would collapse as far as 'A' Mandates are concerned", be referred back to the Mandates Committee for further information.

(c) That the recommendation of the Mandates Committee in regard to Iraq be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee, and that in the meantime the following resolution be recorded upon the minutes:-

"That the Committee think that it is inexpedient to express any opinion as to the advantage or disadvantage of the replacement of the proposed Mandate of the British Empire for Iraq by a treaty of alliance with King Feisal but that provided that the treaty maintains

in full the rights of the League to supervise the administration of the country and secure the fulfilment of the conditions set out in the Covenant there is no objection to the proposal from a League point of view."

(4) Liquor Traffic. The minutes of the Liquor Traffic Committee dated June 20th 1922 were adjourned for consideration to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

(5) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated June 21st 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (242) Application of Bucks District Council, and (241) letter from Sir John Mann).

The Chairman stated that the question of an amendment to Section 13 of the Finance Bill had been discussed in Committee at the House of Commons, but he thought unless a personal application was made to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the amendment as far as Charities were concerned would not be carried.

Resolved:- "That Sir Arthur Shirley Bann, the Rt. Hon. G.N. Barnes, and the General Secretary should endeavour to see the Chancellor of the Exchequer to this end."

(6) Overseas Committee. Subject to the following amendments the minutes of the Overseas Committee dated June 21st 1922 were approved and adopted.

(a) "Headway". That the memorandum on "Headway" prepared by a sub-Committee of the Overseas Committee be referred to the Editorial Committee."

(b) Prague Conference. The recommendations of the Overseas Committee in regard to the Prague Conference were discussed in connection with the Prague Conference Report (below).

(c) Pontigny.

Resolved:- "That a circular letter be sent to all members of the Executive Committee in regard to the Summer School at Pontigny and that if possible Mr. Philip Baker should attend as a representative of the Union."

(7) I.L.O. Committee. The minutes of the I.L.O. Committee dated June 25th 1922 were approved and adopted.

282. CORPORATE MEMBERS.

Mr. J.H. Harris suggested that a campaign should be launched in the early autumn to secure the adhesion of all the churches and Christian Organisations as Corporate Members of the Union. He further suggested that a well-known Christian leader should undertake this work.

Resolved:- "That this matter be left to Mr. Harris and two other members of the Committee in conjunction with the Christian Organisations Committee to make a report and present to an early meeting of the Executive."

783. GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

The Committee expressed pleasure at the declaration of the Prime Minister that British support would be given to an application from Germany for admission to the League. Lord Robert Cecil promised, on behalf of the Committee, to write to the Prime Minister to this effect.

Resolved:- "That a circular be sent out to the Branches pointing out that the Executive considered that resolutions of Branches had much to do with the Prime Minister's decision in this matter and asking them to urge the Prime Minister to give effect to that declaration."

The General Secretary reported in a memorandum circulated to the Committee an interview he had had with the Rt. Hon. H.A.I. Fisher in regard to the admission of Germany to the League.

784. PRAGUE CONFERENCE.

The Committee gave consideration to the report of the Conference of Voluntary Societies at Prague and to the recommendations of the Overseas Committee that these resolutions should be sent to the Prime Minister, and that the Executive should attend as a deputation to submit the Report. The Chairman was of opinion that it would not be a good thing to present the whole of the Report.

Resolved:- 1. "That a sub-Committee be appointed to summarise the most important resolutions.

2. That the appointment of the sub-Committee be left in the hands of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Colonel David Davies."

It was further

Resolved:- "That the sub-Committee be also asked to consider the question of procedure to be followed in the future in regard to resolutions which are to go before the Federation."

785. INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONGRESS - DELEGATES.

Resolved:- "That the question of the appointment of delegates to the International Peace Congress be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee."

786. WELSH COUNCIL - AMENDMENTS TO RULES.

In regard to the amendments passed by the Council to Rules 4 and 12 it was pointed out that this gave power to the Executive to modify rates of subscription so far as Branches in Wales and Monmouthshire were concerned. The Executive Committee had already given provisional assent to certain proposals. The Executive were now asked to formally accept these amendments.

Resolved:- "That the following proposed amendments of the Welsh Executive Committee for the work in Wales be adopted:-

1. That the present basis of contribution from the Branches by which the Welsh Council - for all its administrative and propaganda work - only benefits by 1/- per member whether that member contributes 1/- or 2/6 or £1 and above, be discontinued.

2. That in future, the amounts to be asked for from prospective members in Wales should be somewhat on the lines of those outlined in the rough draft set out in the following Appendix 11 and that the leaflets containing the terms of membership should be sent out with the utmost clearness in English and Welsh.

(a) For an annual subscription of 1/- you will be entitled:-

- (i) to be enrolled as a Member of the Union.
- (ii) to receive the Membership Card.
- (iii) to attend all meetings of the Branch.

(b) For an annual donation of 2/6 you will be entitled:-

- (i) to be enrolled as a Member of the Union.
- (ii) to receive the Membership Card.
- (iii) to obtain free of charge, copies of the Annual Reports of the work of the League in Geneva, and the work of the I.N.U. at home and abroad.

(c) For an annual donation of 5/- you will be entitled:-

- (i) to be enrolled as a Member of the Union.
- (ii) to receive the Membership Card.
- (iii) to receive every month copy of the monthly magazine issued by the Union, which will be sent you by post free of charge.

(d) For an annual donation of 10/- you will be entitled:-

- (i) to be enrolled as a Member of the Union.
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- (iii) to obtain, free of charge, copies of the Annual Reports of the League and of the Union.

(iv) to a copy of the monthly magazine issued by the Union.

(v) to a number of publications dealing with various phases of the work of the League.

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- (v) to a number of publications dealing with various phases of the work of the League.

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(vi) to publications and papers published during the year.

3. That in order to make for a sounder financial basis for the national work of the Welsh Council each Branch should retain 25 per cent of its total income from all sources and forward the balance of 75 per cent by quarterly instalments to the Welsh Headquarters.

4. That the financial relationship between the Welsh Council and the General Headquarters be as follows:-

(a) that, inasmuch as none of the Welsh administrative expenses are to become a charge upon the funds of the General Headquarters in London, the cost of all necessary publications for members, - including those which may be issued by the Welsh Council - be debited against the subscriptions received by the Council from the Welsh branches, the balance then remaining to be divided equally between the Welsh Council and the General Headquarters the Welsh Council reserving the right to allocate the proportion to specific purposes."

(b) that, in future, there shall be a quarterly settlement between the Welsh Council and the General Headquarters.

787. BANK - GUARANTEE.

The General Secretary pointed out that Lord Cowdray's guarantee to the Bank for the Union's overdraft terminated on June 30th.

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary be asked to see Lord Cowdray on this matter."

788. CO-OPTATIONS.

The General Secretary reported that Major Gen. Sir J.H. Davidson had written regretting that he was unable to accept a seat on the Executive of the Union.

On a motion to add to the members of the Committee the Chairman voiced the opinion of the Committee that in selecting additional members for co-optation, regard should be had in each case to the question whether the proposed co-optation would render the Committee distinctly more representative of some important aspect of the life of the nation.

Resolved:- "That the question of the co-optation of Mr. I.E. Chandler, Master of the High Court of the Chancery, be further considered at a meeting of the Executive in the autumn."

789. POLISH/LITHUANIAN DISPUTE.

The Committee gave consideration and accepted a memorandum on the present position of the League in the Polish/Lithuanian dispute, and it was

Resolved:- "That before any decision was come to further enquiries should be made into the present stage that negotiations have reached in the Supreme Council with regard to the

whole Lithuanian question (especially the status of the port of Memel, and the de jure recognition of Lithuania).

290. WESTMINSTER BRANCH.

The Chairman reported that Lady Carnarvon had seen him and requested a loan from the Union of £100 for the Westminster Branch.

Resolved:- "That this matter be referred to the Finance Committee."

Gilbert Murray.

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Liquor Traffic Committee
held on Wednesday, July 5th, 1922 at 11.30 a.m.

Present: Sir Frederick Lugard (in the chair); Mr. Charles Roberts; Mr. J. H. Harris;
Dr. C. F. Harford; Mr. A. E. Blackburn (who accompanied Dr. Harford kindly
attended in a consultative capacity); Mr. Robert Holt; Dr. Maxwell Garnett
and Mr. G. Spicer.

4. Minutes:

The minutes of last meeting were read, approved and signed.

5. Correspondence from the Dundee Branch of the League of Nations Union:

The General Secretary referred to some correspondence with the Dundee Branch of the League of Nations Union in which they stated their intention of sending a deputation on the question of the Liquor Traffic to Mr. Churchill and asking whether the League of Nations Union would join in this deputation. The General Secretary stated that this correspondence would be discussed by the Executive at its next meeting but that he would like to have the advice of the Committee on this matter.

It was resolved:

To advise the Dundee Branch not to delay their deputation as the meeting of the Council which was to deal with the question of mandates would take place about July 12.

6. Memoranda of Sir Frederick Lugard, Mr. Robert Holt, Mr. Charles Roberts and letter from Dr. Norman Leys:

A discussion on these four papers followed and it was resolved to adopt parts 1 and 2 of Mr. Charles Roberts memorandum with one or two amendments, to circulate these together with the letter received from Dr. Norman Leys, and to postpone further consideration of these papers until the Wednesday following at 11.30 a.m.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

JULY 6th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- J.D.Birchall, D.Clifton Brown, Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.W.Claremont, Colin Coote, Sir W.H.Dickinson, Walter Elliot, F.W.Keen, E.W.Morton George, Lady Gladstone, Sir Arthur Haworth, David Hunter, Oswald Mosley, Gilbert Murray, Charles Roberts, Mrs.Walter Runciman, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Raymond Unwin, W.Ormsby Gore, and Josiah Wedgwood: together with the General Secretary and D.H.Mills.

MINUTES791. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Lord Robert Cecil, Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, Sir Charles Hobhouse, and Mr.J.C.Squire.

792. MINUTES.

Subject to verbal amendments in minute 780 and 788 the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee dated June 29th 1922 were approved as circulated.

793. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that he had written to Mr.A.R.Kennedy, K.C. asking him to represent the Union at the International Law Conference at Buenos Ayres but had not received a reply.

794. PONTIGNY.

The General Secretary reported that Mr.J.H.Harris stated that he hoped to spend a few days at the Pontigny Summer School.

795. BANK - GUARANTEE.

The General Secretary reported that he had seen Lord Cowdray who had promised to guarantee the overdraft at the bank up to £20,000 for the period ending 31st December 1922 and that he would also guarantee the overdraft during 1923. It was to be understood that the first purpose of his donation on the 1st January/and 1st January 1924 would be towards the reduction of the guarantee.

796. PRAGUE - RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved:- 1. That the sub-Committee suggested at the last meeting of the Executive, should prepare a short statement of the work of the Prague Conference for submission to the Prime Minister. This statement should include particulars of the most important resolutions but that in order to fulfil the undertakings of the delegation to the Prague Conference all the resolutions be sent in addition.

2. That the following be asked to serve on the Committee in addition to Colonel Davies, viz:

Sir Villoughby

Sir Willoughby Dickinson, Captain Walter Elliot and Lady Gladstone."

797. MR.E.A.FIENE.

The Committee received Mr.E.A.Filene, Director of U.S.A. Chamber of Commerce and Director of International Chambers of Commerce, Vice-President of League to Enforce Peace, who spoke upon the present attitude of America towards the League of Nations and his suggestion as to how America's co-operation in international affairs could best be obtained.

798. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending July 4th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £12,214.18.9 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,200

799. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Labour Advisory. The minutes of the Labour Advisory Committee dated June 17th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (53) Labour representative and Prague Conference; (54) Resolution for I. of N. Congress; (55) Draft Int.Labour Conventions; (56) Educational co-operation with Trades Councils and Co-operative Societies; and (57) Pamphlet on I.L.O).

(2) Education. The minutes of the Education Committee dated June 20th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (235) Replies to Circular letter to Education Authorities; (239) Report of Junior District in Liverpool and Merseyside; and (244) Report of Committee of Adult Education).

(3) Women's Advisory. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Women's Advisory Committee held the previous day. It was

Resolved:- "That the question of the Hyde Park Rally be discussed at the next meeting of the Executive."

(4) Liquor Traffic. The minutes of the Liquor Traffic Committee held July 5th were approved and adopted.

Resolved:- "To approve of the recommendation that a letter be sent to the Dundee Branch advising them not to delay their deputation to the Colonial Minister as the Council which was to deal with the question of Mandates would take place on July 12th."

(5) Christian Organisations. The General Secretary reported orally upon the proceedings of the Christian Organisations Committee held the day previous. This report was adopted.

(These minutes included (1) Corporate Membership; (2) Dr.R.F.Horton; and (3) American Churches).

Resolved:- "That a further report on the proposed Corporate Membership campaign be brought up at a meeting of the Committee."

(6) Staff Appointments. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day. This report was approved and adopted. (See Annex "A").

400. IRAK MANDATE.

The discussion on the question of the Mandate for Irak was adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee, and it was

Resolved:- "That the resolution recorded in the last minutes of the Executive Committee be placed on the agenda for discussion then."

401. INTERNATIONAL PEACE CONGRESS - DELEGATES.

The General Secretary requested that the Committee should nominate three delegates to the International Peace Congress.

Resolved:- "That three of the following be asked to represent the Union and that they be approached in the following order: Lord Henry Cavendish Bentinck, Lady Gladstone, John H. Harris, Esq. Sir Willoughby Dickinson, and Major J.D. Birchall."

402. ADMISSION OF GERMANY - SIR ALFRED MOND.

The General Secretary read a letter from Sir Alfred Mond expressing his pleasure that the Hyde Park Rally was a success and expressing the hope that he would be able to give assistance to the work of the I.N.U. in the future.

403. ENTERTAINMENT OF FRENCH GIRLS.

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary be authorised to spend £2.10.0 for the entertainment of French Girls to tea on Monday, July 17th."

404. MR. E.S. MONTAGU.

The General Secretary was authorised if Lord Robert Cecil approved of the suggestion to approach Mr. E.S. Montagu with a view to his taking an active part in the work of the I.N.U.

405. M. VIVIANI.

The General Secretary reported a message from Lord Robert Cecil intimating that M. Viviani would be attending the Council of the League in London on July 17th and would be prepared to address a meeting of about 100 people in support of the League. Lord Robert suggested that a dinner might be arranged.

Resolved:- "That the General Secretary be asked to consult with the Chairman of the Overseas Committee."

406. GENERAL SIR IVOR MAXSE - SPEECH AND RESOLUTION OF THE BRADFORD D.C.

The General Secretary reported receipt of the following resolution from the Bradford District Council -

"That this meeting of the Bradford District Council, I.N.U. wishes to protest against the speech delivered at St. Peter's School, York, by Lt. General Sir Ivor Maxse, Commander-in-Chief, the Northern Command, on July 1st.

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This Council considers that the speech involves a serious constitutional question, in that a General on the Active list referred to an important section of British Foreign Policy as "All Tosh" and therefore requests the Union Parliamentary Committee to raise the matter in Parliament.

The resolution was accompanied with a request that the matter be raised in Parliament.

Resolved:- "That Lord Robert Cecil be asked to write to Lord Cavan on the matter, and that a communication be sent to the Secretary of the Bradford District Council pointing out that the Executive Committee doubted the wisdom of the matter being raised in Parliament."

Robert Cecil

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNIONMINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STAFF APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

JULY 13th 1922 AT 10.45 a.m.

PRESENT:- The Viscountess Gladstone; Professor Gilbert Murray;
the General Secretary together with Mr.D.H.Mills.

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112. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held July 6th 1922 were approved as circulated.

113. I.I.O.COMMITTEE. The General Secretary reported that at the request of the Committee he had seen Mrs.Strachey and Captain Small in regard to the suggestion at the last meeting of the Committee for the carrying on of the work of the Parliamentary, I.I.O. and Labour Advisory Committees.

The proposals made were as follows:-

- (a) That Captain Small should concentrate upon the work of the I.I.O.Committee and the Labour Advisory Committee and give up the Secretaryship to the Parliamentary Committee.
- (b) That Mrs.Strachey should do the constituency work, and that Mr.O'S.Molony be asked to undertake the Secretaryship to the Parliamentary Committee, and on occasions such as by-elections etc. he should go down to the constituencies, when necessary, and do the work that Captain Small has done so effectively. It was considered in many cases that the Regional representatives would be able to do constituency work. Mr.Molony would work under the general direction of Mr.Philip Baker who would be responsible to the General Secretary for the Parliamentary work as a whole.
- (c) That Miss Cohen would give administrative assistance to Captain Small in the Labour work.
- (d) That Captain Small should have a typist (Miss Button) allocated to his work, but it was understood that she would not act as his Secretary.
- (e) That the £250 allotted by the Executive Committee to the work of the Labour Department be counted as part of Captain Small's salary and that the £100 (donation by Lord Burnham) be used as a nucleus of a fund for special meetings.

Both Mrs.Strachey and Mr.Philip Baker had agreed to the proposals set out above but Captain Small disagreed. Captain Small was asked to be present and state his view of the proposed arrangements. He stated that he would prefer to remain Secretary to the Parliamentary Committee and give up the work of the Labour Departments.

Resolved:- "That the proposals set out above be approved, and that Captain Small be asked to relinquish the Secretaryship to the Parliamentary Committee, and undertake the Secretaryship to the I.I.O.

and Labour Advisory Committees."

114. MISS H.C. HUGHES. The General Secretary asked the Committee's authority to an arrangement whereby Miss H.C. Hughes would act as Secretary to the Westminster Branch and give part time to the Headquarters work of the Union. The Westminster Branch would be asked to contribute £150 per annum towards her salary.

Resolved:- "To approve of this arrangement."

115. TYPIST - OVERSEAS DEPARTMENT.

Resolved:- "That a typist be appointed for the Overseas Department at a salary of £3 per week."

116. MAJOR MURRAY - SECRETARY.

Resolved:- "To authorise the appointment of a Secretary to Major Murray."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1., ON THURSDAY

JULY 20th AT 11.30 a.m.

Present:- Lord Robert Cecil, G.N. Barnes, Percy Bigland, J.D. Birchall, D. Clifton Brown, Mrs. A.W. Claremont, A.W. Claremont, Colin Coote, David Davies, Sir W.H. Dickinson, E.W. Morton George, The Viscountess Gladstone, W. Ormsby-Gore, John H. Harris, Sir Arthur Haworth, F.N. Keen, Sir Frederick Maurice, Oswald Mosley, Lord Queenborough, General Seely, J.C. Squire, together with the General Secretary and D.H. Mills.

MINUTES.407. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Mr. Charles Roberts, Mrs. Walter Runciman and Mr. Whitehead.

408. MINUTES.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held July 6th, 1922 were approved as circulated.

409. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending July 14th, 1922, showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £13,328.6.5. with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £22,700.

410. INTERNATIONAL LAW ASSOCIATION.

The General Secretary reported that Captain Walter Elliot had promised to go to Buenos Ayres on behalf of the L.N.U. and the International Law Association had agreed to pay his first class passage to Buenos Ayres and provide hospitality there.

411. PRAGUE CONFERENCE.- RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved:- "That the report and resolutions of the Prague Conference (as amended) be circulated to the Executive Committee."

412. CORPORATE MEMBERS.

Resolved:- "That the Christian Organisations Committee be asked to appoint a sub-Committee to go into the question of a campaign for Corporate members and to report at the next meeting of the Executive Committee."

413. MR. E.S. MONTAGU.

The General Secretart reported that he had not yet received a reply from Mr. E.S. Montagu.

414. M. VIVIANI.

It was reported that the dinner to M. Viviani would take place that evening and there had been about 130 acceptances.

415. SIR IVOR MAXSE.

Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had considered the resolution of the last meeting of the Executive Committee, namely, that he should write to Lord Cavan on the matter of Sir Ivor Maxse's speech. He thought that as the League had received so much publicity as a result of General Maxse's attack and as he thought it might be difficult to allow an army officer to advocate the League (as Lord Cavan had recently done), and not allow him to oppose it, he did not write the letter to Lord Cavan.

Resolved:- "To agree to Lord Robert Cecil's suggestion."

416. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Management. The minutes of the Management Committee dated July 17th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (254) I.L.O. Committee; (255) Branches; (260) Federation of Societies - Rules; and (263) "Separations and Economic situation").

(2) Religions & Ethics. The minutes of the Committee of Religions & Ethics dated July 4th and July 12th were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (82) Propaganda amongst Jews; (87) Proposed meeting at Queens Hall; (84) Special meeting; (85) Lewisham meeting; (86) Religious Thought Society; and (87) Resignations).

Resolved:- "That the proposed amendments to the Covenant be referred to the Amendments to the Covenant Committee."

(7) Overseas. The minutes of the Overseas Committee dated July 12th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (792) International Conference; (794) Ex-enemy aliens; (796) Society in Ireland; (408) Lord Gorell; (415) Hospitality Committee; and (416) Bahama Island Branch)

(4) Editorial. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated July 17th 1922 were approved and adopted.

Resolved:- "That the Editorial Committee be asked to report at the next meeting of the Executive on the general policy of the Editorial Committee towards "Headway".

(These minutes included (7) Criticisms of "Headway"; (4) Illustrations for "Headway"; (5) Cartoons, diagrams, and Tables for "Headway"; and (6) Suggested new Publications).

(5) Staff Appointments. The minutes of the Staff Appointment Committee held July 20th 1922, as read by the General Secretary, were considered.

The General Secretary stated that Colonel David Davies had agreed to the proposal that the activities of the Parliamentary Committee should be undertaken by Mr. Philip Baker. Captain Small asked leave to make a protest and members of the staff (excluding the General Secretary) were

asked to retire whilst the Committee considered the situation. The Committee interviewed Captain Small and

Resolved:- "That, subject to Sir Ellis Hume Williams and Mr. Percy Hurd agreeing, to approve the minute and recommend that Captain Small should be associated in the political work of the Union."

(6) Labour Advisory. The minutes of the Labour Advisory Committee dated 4th July, 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (62) Resolution on L. of N. and Int. Lab. Organisation (63) International Conference of Voluntary Societies; (64) Secretary's Interviews; and (65) Meetings at Colchester and Norwich.

(7) I.L.O. Committee. The Executive Committee were asked to nominate someone in the place of Lady Denman to serve on the I.L.O. Committee.

Resolved:- "That Miss Constance Smith be asked to serve on this Committee in the place of Lady Denman."

417. TEMPORARY MIXED COMMISSION.

The Committee considered a memorandum drafted by Lord Robert Cecil on the work of the Temporary Mixed Commission and recorded its appreciation of the services rendered by Lord Robert at the sitting of the Commission in Paris.

418. REPARATIONS AND ECONOMIC SITUATION.

The General Secretary reported to the Committee that he had taken advantage of an offer of the editor of the "Manchester Guardian" to insert a full page advertisement in "European Reconstruction" at a charge of £50 (instead of £240), and Mr. Maynard Keynes, the editor, had written to say that he would be pleased to receive an article for insertion in the next number, making some definite suggestions to the ways in which the League of Nations might assist in the settlement of the reparations problem.

The General Secretary again advocated the appointment of a sub-Committee to consider the grave economic position.

Resolved:- "That the following be asked to serve upon such a sub-Committee: Lord Robert Cecil, Mr. W.T. Layton, Lord Eustace Percy and the General Secretary.

It was further

Resolved:- "That after a report had been submitted and accepted by the Executive Committee an article on these lines should be written and perhaps signed by Lord Grey or Lord Robert Cecil.

419. HYDE PARK RALLY.

Resolved:- "That the question of the Hyde Park Rally be referred for consideration to the London Regional Council."

420. IRAK.

Resolved:- "That consideration of the following resolution in regard to Irak be adjourned:-

" That the Committee think that it is inexpedient to express any opinion as to the advantage or disadvantage of the replacement of the proposed Mandate of the British Empire for Irak by a treaty of alliance with King Feisal but that provided that the treaty maintains in full the rights of the League to supervise the administration of the country and secure the fulfilment of the conditions set out in the Covenant there is no objection to the proposal from a League point of view."

421. ASSEMBLY - ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

The General Secretary reported that the Archbishop of Canterbury had consented to preach in the Geneva Cathedral.

422. LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

The General Secretary reported that the following resolution had been passed by the League of Nations Council now meeting in London in regard to Liquor Traffic in mandated areas.

"Whereas, under the terms of Article 22 of the Covenant, the Mandatory Power entrusted with the administration of the mandated territories of Central Africa must be responsible for the prohibition of the abuse of the Liquor Traffic, Whereas, on the other hand, under the terms of B Mandates the Mandatory power will be required to exercise severe control over the liquor traffic, The Council of the League of Nations, Conscious of the gravity of the danger for the native populations of Central Africa arising from the scourge of alcoholism, Recommends that the Mandatory Powers should do everything within their power in order that their administrations should protect the populations from the dangers afore-mentioned, and requests the Permanent Mandates Commission to investigate most carefully the measures taken by the Mandatory Powers in this connection and to report to the Council on the application of the provisions in the mandates regarding alcoholism."

423. ASSEMBLY - DELEGATES.

Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore drew attention to the fact that the Government had not yet announced its delegates to the Assembly of the League. He had asked for information on the question the previous week but was told that the Government had no information to give. ~~Captain Colin Coote~~ ^{Captain Colin Coote}, Mr. Oswald Mosley and other members of Parliament present promised to put a question in the House of Commons on the following week.

424. STOCKPORT BRANCH - RESOLUTION.

The following resolution of the Stockport Branch was received:-

"In view of the urgent need of securing an application from Germany for admission to the League it is imperative that Germany should be assured of a seat on the Council of the League, and in the opinion of this Branch the Executive Committee of the L.N.U. should therefore press the Government to give an explicit assurance of Gt. Britain's attitude on this all important issue."

Resolved:- "That the Stockport Branch be informed that the Committee were of opinion that to act on the resolution would not be of any real help just now, and it would almost certainly antagonise France."

425. RUSSIAN FAMINE.

The General Secretary reported a communication from the Organising Secretary of the Oxford Branch stating that the Hon. Secretary for the appeal for starving Russia had asked to arrange for a collection for the Russian Famine to be taken at the Summer School.

Resolved:- "That the Secretary be informed that there would be no objection to a collection being taken outside the Hall."

Verity Gluckstone

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LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3rd 1922 AT 11.30

PRESENT:- The Viscountess Gladstone (in the Chair):
Lord Robert Cecil; G.N.Barnes; Sir Arthur Shirley Penn;
J.D.Birchall; Mrs.A.W.Claremont; A.W.Claremont; Colin
R.Coote; E.W.Morton George; John H.Harris; Sir Arthur
Haworth; F.N.Keen; Oswald Mosley; Mrs.Oliver Strachey;
together with the General Secretary and L.L.Irwin.

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426. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir John Barran, Mr.Percy Bigland, Sir Charles Hobhouse, and Mr.Raymond Unwin.

427. MINUTES.

Subject to a verbal alteration in minute 423, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held July 20th 1922 were approved as circulated.

428. PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY.

Arising out of minute 416, the General Secretary reported that Lord Robert Cecil had consulted Sir Ellis Bume Williams and Mr.Percy Hurd concerning the proposed appointments of Mr.Philip Baker as Parliamentary Secretary. Both gentlemen had approved of the proposed appointment.

Major Birchall thought that, in view of the possibility of Mr.Baker becoming a candidate for Parliament, it would be unwise for the Union to appoint him as Parliamentary Secretary.

Resolved:- "That Mr.Baker be appointed as Parliamentary Secretary in lieu of Captain Lothian Small as from 14th November next; but that in the event of Mr.Baker becoming a Parliamentary candidate this appointment be re-considered."

429. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Financial Statement for the period ending July 31st 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £12,156.18.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,700.

430. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated July 19th 1922 were approved and adopted with the exception of minute No.(249).

(The approved minutes included:-

(250) Donations; (251) Applications for grants; (252) Preparations of report on Union's income; (253) Position as to Income Tax on donations by deed; (254) Extension of guarantee; (255a) Hyde Park Rally - expenses; (255b) Signing of cheques; (256) Remittance of £125 Belgian francs; (257) Summer School at Verona; (257b) Prague Delegation; and (258) Request from Sheffield branch).

249. Application of Westminster Branch: On the motion of Mr. Morton George, the Chairman of the London Regional Council, the Committee

Resolved:- "That instead of Miss Hughes' services being transferred to the Westminster Branch under the conditions approved by the Finance Committee, they be offered under the same conditions *mutatis mutandis* to the London Regional Council, provided that the London Regional Council would be responsible for seeing that the secretarial work of the Westminster branch was satisfactorily performed.

(Note. The conditions under which the Finance Committee had recommended that Miss Hughes' services be granted to the Westminster branch were that Miss Hughes should be paid £700 a year, of which £150 should be regarded as a loan to the branch to be repaid by the Branch when their membership permitted, and that all portions of Miss Hughes' time not required for the work of the Branch would be available for Headquarters' work).

It was further

Resolved:- "That the thanks of the Committee be sent to Colonel David Davies for his donation of £500 a year for six and a half years, and to Lord Cowdray for his extension of the guarantee securing the union's overdraft at the Bank.

(2) Editorial. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated July 20th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (2) Discussion on "Headway"; (3) Captain Berkeley's memorandum on "Headway"; (4) Miss Spaul's plays; (5) Suggested new publications; (6) Signor Witt's book; (7) New Nations in Europe; (8) Co-operation with "Outward Bound" and (9) League of Nations Calendar.

(3) Labour Advisory. The minutes of the Labour Advisory Committee dated July 24th 1922 were approved and adopted with the exception of minutes 70 and 74.

(The approved minutes included (71) Draft memorandum; (72) L.N.U. Reception to General Council of Trades Union Congress, Southport; (73) Syllabus of Lectures).

On minute 70 it was

Resolved:- "That the delegates to the Union to all international Conferences should consider the agenda in advance and decide how best to give effect to the policy of the Union."

On minute 74 it was

Resolved:- "That the question of the Union's relations to the Industrial Christian Fellowship be considered at the next meeting of the Committee."

(Minute 74 read as follows:-

"That on intimation to the Union by the Industrial Christian Fellowship, League of Nations Union Branch Secretaries should be notified of all forthcoming meetings of the I.C.F. in the areas concerned.")

(4) International Labour Organisation Committee. The minutes of the I.L.O. Committee dated June 26th and July 24th 1922 were approved and adopted.

In connection with these minutes the General Secretary read a report of his interview with Lord Burnham on July 27th in which he stated that he had come to a satisfactory understanding with Lord Burnham about the Secretaryship of the I.L.O. Committee.

(These minutes included (9) Resignation of Lady Denman; (10) Hon. Vice-Chairman; (11) Funds for work of I.L.O. Committee; (12) Pamphlet on the I.L.O. (13) Methods; (15) Vice-Chairmanship; (17) Funds for work of I.L.O.; (18) Pamphlet on I.L.O.; (19) Arrangements for future lectures; (20) Resume of new I.L.O. Pamphlet; and (21) I.L.O. Committee).

(5) Liquor Traffic. The minutes of the Liquor Traffic Committee dated July 26th were approved and adopted, and the report of the Committee was considered.

Resolved:- "That consideration of the report be adjourned until the next meeting of the Executive when the views of the Colonial Office would be known."

(These minutes included (12) Draft resolutions of Sir Frederick Lugard; and (13) Consultation with the Colonial Office).

(6) Management. The minutes of the Management Committee were approved and adopted subject to the alteration of the resolution in minute No. 287 so as to accord with the form in which this minute had been/

adopted by the Overseas Committee.

(These minutes included (273) League Publicity; (270) Branches; (281) Morley Education Committee; (283) M. Kuyssens - Federation procedure; and (284) Trades Union Congress).

(7) Near Eastern Committee. The minutes of the Near Eastern Committee dated July 28th 1922 were approved and adopted with the exception of minute 16.

(The approved minutes included: (17) Suggestions by Reverend Harold Buxton for Commission of Enquiry into atrocities in Asia Minor; and (18) memorandum by M. Lodi).

On minute 16 it was

- Resolved:-
1. That, whereas in every discussion by the Principal Allied Powers on the subject of the Near East reference has been made to the possibility of future responsibilities being undertaken by the League, it would seem essential in connection with any settlement which may be arrived at that the League should be in full possession of all facts bearing upon the situation which may influence both the character of such ultimate settlement and the responsibilities of the League thereunder.
 2. That, seeing that it is regrettably certain the information forthcoming from present official sources must necessarily be of an ex-party character, a member of the Political Section of the Secretariat of the League should be detailed to collect information on the spot.
 3. That the object of the foregoing recommendation is that when, as it is to be hoped, and as seems inevitable from the failure of previous efforts to secure a settlement of this question, the matter is raised at the forthcoming meeting of the Assembly that body may have at its disposal full information from its own sources.
 4. That, whereas the present critical condition of the prestige of the League might make a big failure on its part now fatal to its future usefulness, the Committee consider that in any steps which may be taken the fact should be borne in mind that successful intervention by the League must depend on its possession of effective sanctions.
 5. That, in view of the shortness of time and pending the carrying out by the League of its own investigations, the Executive Committee should forward to the Secretariat of the League, not necessarily with its own endorsement, but as valuable contributions

when the question comes to be studied copies of Captain Bennett's and "r. Loder's memoranda."

It was further

Resolved:-

"That Lord Robert Cecil and Professor Gilbert Murray be asked to secure a discussion by the Assembly of the Near Eastern situation in the light of such information as may be collected in accordance with paragraph 2 above; and that it be suggested to Lord Robert Cecil and to Professor Murray that they should endeavour to induce one of the smaller interested Powers, as for example Greece or Bulgaria, to raise the question in the Assembly because of the difficulty which any of the Principal Allied Powers would have in doing so."

(8) Religion & Ethics. The minutes of the Committee of Religion and Ethics dated July 31st 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included: (92) Amendments to the Covenant; (93) Queen's Hall - meeting; (94) Secretaryship; (95) Communications; (96) Additional members to Committee; and (97) Meeting at Mortimer Hall).

(9) Overseas. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Overseas Committee held 1.8.22.

(10) Amendments to the Covenant. The minutes of the Amendments to the Covenant Committee held 2.8.22 were approved and adopted.

Resolved:- "That a copy of the Committee's minutes regarding the Permanent Court of International Justice be sent to the League Secretariat, Lord Balfour and Chief Justice Taft, and that it be left to Lord Robert Cecil to decide to whom else it should be sent in America."

(11) Staff Appointments. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day.

421. PRAGUE REPORT.

The Committee approved and adopted the report of the Prague Conference subject to a verbal alteration.

Resolved:- "That this report be printed and that a deputation be sent with it to the Prime Minister."

432. REPARATIONS AND ECONOMIC SITUATION - MEMORANDUM.

The Committee considered the report of the sub-Committee consisting of Lord Robert Cecil, Lord Eustace Percy, Mr. W.T. Layton and the General Secretary.

Resolved:- "That the report be approved, but that it be treated as confidential and only sent to speakers of the Union at the General Secretary's discretion."

433. PRIME MINISTER'S SPEECH TO FREE CHURCHES ON 28th JULY 1922.

Resolved:- "That the speech be circulated to the Branches and that a letter be sent to the Prime Minister asking for the manuscript of the speech and expressing the encouragement given to the work of the Union by the speech."

434. COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL.

The General Secretary reported an interview he had had with Mr. Nightingale, Resident of the Free Church Council, on obtaining the co-operation of the Free Churches.

Resolved:- "That a special effort be made to undertake a campaign during the coming winter to obtain as many churches as possible as Corporate Members of the Union, and that the Branches be asked to make special efforts in this connection."

435. MESSAGES OF CONDOLENCES.

Resolved:- "That an expression of the Committee's sympathy be conveyed to Mr. G.N. Barnes and to the relatives of the late Sir Richard Vassar Smith, on their recent bereavements."

Gilbert Murray.

9/15.
10.10.22.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

UNAPPROVED MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HELD AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

OCTOBER 5th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, D.Clifton Brown, Mrs.A.W.Claremont, A.V.Claremont, Colin R.Coote, Walter B. Elliot, E.W.Morton George, John H.Harris, David Hunter, F.N.Keen, Oswald Mosley, Professor Gilbert Murray, Charles Roberts, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Henry Vivian, Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon, A.Whitehead; together with the General Secretary and L.L.Irwin.

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436. CHAIRMAN. In the absence of Lord Robert Cecil the chair was taken by Professor Gilbert Murray.

437. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of the Rt.Hon.G.M.Barnes, Lord Burnham, Colonel David Davies, Rt.Hon.Sir W.H.Dickinson, Major Gen.Sir Frederick Maurice and Lord Queenborough.

438. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held August 3rd 1922 were approved as circulated.

On minute 430(5) the General Secretary reported that no reply had been received from the Colonial Office, and that Sir Frederick Lugard was calling a further meeting of the Committee. It was

Resolved:- "That consideration of the report of the Liquor Traffic Committee be adjourned."

439. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The Financial Statement for the period ending October 2nd 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £18,372.1.6 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,000.

The General Secretary stated that in view of the urgency of the situation he proposed to effect economies to the extent of £2,000, namely:-

1. £250 on the lease of 15, Grosvenor Crescent, and £150 on the rates and taxes.

Resolved:- "That this be adopted subject to the approval of the Finance Committee."

2. £500 on scheme approved by the Staff Appointments Committee.
3. £1,000 on the administration of "Headway".

The General Secretary further proposed to make an appeal by a letter signed by Lord Robert Cecil to be sent to 1,500 specially selected persons asking for donations of £10.

P.T.O.

Mr. F. N. Keen suggested that Lord Robert Cecil should be asked to issue an appeal inviting every member of the Union to give (or collect) on Armistice Day a sum of 5/- as a special donation to the Headquarters of the Union.

Mr. J. A. Harris suggested that on the Sunday following Armistice Day retiring collections should be made at all churches. (see minute 457).

Resolved:- "That this proposal be adopted subject to the approval of the Finance Committee."

Mr. F. N. Keen suggested that an appeal should be made on Armistice Day to all members of the Union to subscribe 5/- each towards the Union, and that on Peace Sunday retiring collections should be made at all churches.

Resolved:- "That these matters be referred to the Finance Committee."

440. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

(1) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated September 20th 1922 were approved and adopted.

On minute 265 the General Secretary reported that Lord Queenborough and he had consulted with the lessor Solicitors and had come to an agreement whereby the Union should retain the lease of 15, Grosvenor Crescent, at a yearly payment of £900, and that the Union should have the option of terminating the lease at the end of any year.

Resolved:- "That the Committee approve this proposal subject to the agreement of the Finance Committee."

(These minutes included (260) Application of Westminster Branch, (261) Financial Statement, (262) Donations 1922, (263) Geneva - Assembly, (264) St. Albans Exhibition, (265) 15, Grosvenor Crescent - lease, (266) Transfer to General a/c, (267) Mr. F. J. Edminson, and (268) Colonel Fisher.)

(2) Education. The minutes of the Education Committee dated September 29th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (247) Election of Vice-Chairman; (248) Resignation of Sir Sydney Olivier and co-optation of Lord Gorell, (252) Local Education Authorities; and (255) Public Libraries).

(3) Labour Advisory. The General Secretary reported orally on the meeting of the Labour Advisory Committee held October 4th 1922.

(4) Christian Organisations. The minutes of the Christian Organisations Committee dated October 4th 1922 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (1) Free Church Council Campaign, (2) World Alliance Scheme, (3) Corporate Members, and (4) Rev. W. J. Wray).

(5) Overseas. The minutes of the Overseas Committee dated October 4th were approved and adopted subject to the following alterations:-

Minute 423a. Omit "and that of these two Colonel David Davies should act as first delegate" add "in the event of a difference of opinion, neither delegate shall vote."

Minute 423b After "recorded" add "in comparison with the membership of Societies."

(6) Staff Appointments. The General Secretary reported orally on the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day.

441. NEAR EASTERN SITUATION.

The General Secretary submitted a statement on the Near Eastern situation for transmission to the Branches of the Union. The Labour Advisory Committee had met on the preceding day and had asked that the draft should be regarded as an expression of their views. The Committee agreed to the memorandum in the attached form.

442. ADJOURNED MEETING.

In view of the number of items on the agenda still to be considered the Committee adjourned until Thursday, October 12th.

Robert Cecil

S.G.373.
6.10.22.

NEAR EASTERN SITUATION.

The Executive Committee of the League of Nations Union

recognising that the Governments concerned at the Paris Peace Conference with the establishment of the League of Nations, understood, when they signed the Covenant as part of the Treaty of Versailles, that Article 17 (which provides for the League's intervention in disputes between States which are Members of the League and States which are not Members of the League) should not apply to the outstanding disputes between the Allied and Associated Powers on the one hand, and on the other, the Powers - Austria, Bulgaria, Hungary and Turkey - with which they were then still at war;

and further recognising with regret that the League of Nations was necessarily deterred by this understanding from intervening in the war between Turkey and the Allied and Associated Powers;

realising, however, that the conditions have changed considerably since the Peace Conference met in Paris, and, in particular, that the experience, influence and prestige of the League have greatly increased during the past three years;

now welcomes the decision which the Third Assembly of the League has just made at the instance of Dr. Nansen and expressed in the following terms:-

"The Assembly, earnestly desirous of securing the restoration of peace in the Near East, and of supporting all efforts which are made for that purpose, notes with satisfaction that it is proposed to summon a special Conference to deal with the situation; and trusts that THE COUNCIL, without interfering with any negotiations now pending, WILL TAKE SUCH STEPS AS IT MAY DEEM DESIRABLE AND JUSTIFIABLE with a view to giving effect to the unanimous desire of the Assembly, FOR THE PROMPT RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE."

The Committee considers that the League should be concerned in the settlement of these disputes because -

1. a settlement reached with the League's disinterested assistance and approval would have greater moral authority throughout the world;
2. the League's participation in the settlement would ensure full consideration of the interests of States which are vitally concerned, but which are not to receive an invitation to the proposed Eight-Power Conference - as, for example, Bulgaria.
3. the League's administration in the region of the Straits or elsewhere, will be greatly handicapped unless founded upon a treaty all of which the League regards as well designed to serve the best interests of the whole world.

The Committee, however, recognises that an attempt to interfere with any negotiations now pending might impair the prospects of an early settlement, and that, therefore, the League's intervention should not take place unless or until these negotiations fail or are abandoned because of some change in the situation, or unless its assistance is invited by the participating Powers. But in any of these events the League's intervention should immediately take place. And if the proposed Conference meets, it should secure the League's advice and assistance.

6/13.
17.10.22.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

OCTOBER 12th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- Lord Robert Cecil; Percy Bigland, Mrs. A.W. Claremont, Colin R. Coote, David Davies, Lady Denman, Walter E. Elliot, E.W. Merton George, John H. Harris, David Hunter, F.N. Keen, Gilbert Murray, Mrs. Oliver Strachey, General Seely, Henry Vivian: together with the General Secretary and D.H. Mills.

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443. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Mr. G.W. Barnes, Sir John Barran, Lord Burnham, Sir Arthur Haworth, Lord Queenborough, Mr. Raymond Unwin, General Gough and Mr. Whitehead.
444. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held October 5th 1922 were approved as circulated subject to an amendment to minute 439.

Minute 439. Mr. Keen questioned the accuracy of minute 439, and it was agreed that No(3) in which the General Secretary proposed to effect economies to the extent of £1,000 in the administration of "Headway", be referred to the Editorial Committee.

Mr. Keen was asked to re-draft the minute in regard to the proposal to ask each member of the Union to contribute 5/- towards the Appeal fund.

445. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The Financial Statement for the period ending October 11th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £18,198.6.10 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,500.

The Committee discussed the financial situation and certain proposals were made in regard to the raising of funds. It was

- Resolved:- 1. That Lord Robert Cecil be asked to sign a letter to 1,500 specially selected people asking them to contribute £10 each towards the work of the Union, and that this letter should point out the critical financial situation in which the Union now finds itself.
2. That a special meeting of the General Council should be held on the morning of the 14th November when the whole question of finance should be brought before the Council members.

(In the event of it having been announced in the meantime that a General Election was immediate, the Council should also be asked to consider at this meeting the relation of the Union to the political situation.)

- (3) That Lord Robert Cecil be asked to speak at an afternoon meeting to be held at the Queens Hall on November 13th.

It was further

Resolved:- "That the Archbishop of Canterbury, the Archbishop of York, together with the Chairman of the Free Church Council, should be invited to sign a letter which it was proposed should be sent out to the various churches asking them to give the Union a retiring collection on the day following Armistice Day (Sunday, November 12th).

446. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Near Eastern. The Committee considered the minutes of the Near Eastern Settlement Committee held on October 11th. The Executive Committee did not approve of the resolution in regard to procedure recommended for adoption by the Near Eastern Committee, and

Resolved:- "That the L.N.U. while warmly welcoming the cessation of hostilities in the Near East, and expressing its appreciation of the efforts for peace by General Harington, regrets that the negotiations for the peace are not to be under the auspices of the League of Nations. It further hopes that before any new duties are placed upon the League care will be taken to see that the duties are such as the League is willing to accept and is able to carry out."

It was further

Resolved:- "That this resolution be not finally approved until the next meeting of the Executive. If approved then, it should be sent to the Branches, and brought before the next meeting of the General Council."

(2) Staff Appointments The minutes of the Staff Appointments Committee dated October 5th 1922 were approved and adopted.

- Resolved:- (a) That Mr. Fanshawe be appointed till Christmas to assist Mrs. Dugdale at the rate of £300 per annum.
- (b) That in view of the financial stringency Mrs. Croxton be given three months notice; that she be thanked for her services in the past, and that she be told that the Union would be grateful for her services in a temporary capacity in future on the occasion of any future activities, for which she would be remunerated.
- (c) That the proposal to reduce Miss Brodie's salary from £500 to £300 a year (together with her letter making the same suggestion under certain conditions) be referred to the Editorial Committee.

- (a) That Captain A.E.W. Thomas be granted leave of absence from duty without pay from October 13th 1922 in order to enable him to travel round the world.

447. FREE CHURCH CAMPAIGN. The General Secretary stated that the National Council of Evangelical Free Churches were desirous of launching a campaign on behalf of the League of Nations and the League of Nations Union through the Free Churches and in this connection asked that the Union should advance for the purpose of the campaign a sum of £500. Mr. Nightingale also suggested that the following should represent the L.N.U. upon the Committee which would be set up for the purpose of organising the campaign, namely: Lt. Col. David Davies, Sir Arthur Haworth, Dr Gillie and the General Secretary.

- Resolved:- 1. That the Finance Committee be asked to investigate why the £500 was needed and to make a recommendation to the Executive as to whether this should be done.
2. That the gentlemen named be asked to represent the Union upon the organising Committee.

The Committee received the following resolution of the National Council of Evangelical Free Churches dated 22.9.22:-

"That this Executive Committee of the National Council of the Evangelical Free Churches deeply deplores the situation which has arisen in the Near East, and earnestly hopes that a satisfactory solution may be reached without any resort to force. The Committee is of opinion that a permanent and satisfactory settlement of the issues involved can only be attained by invoking at once and to the full the services of the League of Nations, and by clothing the League with ample powers for the purpose. The Committee strongly insists that any satisfactory settlement must provide effective guarantees for the safety of the Christian populations throughout the Ottoman Empire, and must secure the indispensable conditions of life and liberty for all races and religions throughout the regions that have been devastated by racial and religious strife."

448. FEDERATION OF SOCIETIES - COUNCIL AT BUDAPEST. Colonel David Davies raised the question of the meeting of the Council of the Federation of Societies at Budapest on the 20th and asked the authority of the Committee that discretion be left to Sir Willoughby Dickinson and himself in regard to any decision arrived at regarding the voting powers of delegations.

Resolved:- "That Sir Willoughby Dickinson and Colonel David Davies be given discretionary power asked for."

449. LABOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE. The General Secretary reported a letter from the British Constitutional Labour Movement asking for representation upon the Labour Advisory Committee of the L.N.U.

Resolved:- "That this application be referred to the Labour Advisory Committee."

450. CO-OPERATION TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - COMMUNICATION FROM N.E. LANCs. DISTRICT COUNCIL.

The General Secretary reported the following resolution from the N.E. Lancs District Council:-

"That this District Council respectfully ask Headquarters to allow us to nominate a member from this district for the Executive Committee of the L.N.U.

and suggesting Councillor Rennie Hey of Nelson.

Resolved:- "That this question be adjourned and that in the meantime a memorandum should be drafted and circulated to the Executive Committee setting out the particular reasons for the co-optation of Councillor Rennie Hey."

451. PROPOSED AIR FORCE FOR THE LEAGUE - LORD ROBERT CECIL'S REMARKS.

The General Secretary reported various resolutions and letters from Branches, some protesting and others asking that Lord Robert should clear himself of the suggestion that at the Assembly of the League he had advocated the use of an air force upon a recalcitrant nation.

Resolved:- "That the matter be left in the hands of the Chairman."

452. PRESIDENT OF THE UNION.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Mr. W. J. Ainsworth, of Bath, suggesting that as Lord Grey was taking an active part in party politics, the Council should consider the election of someone else and Mr. Ainsworth suggested that H.M. the King might be approached.

Resolved:- "That Mr. Ainsworth be informed that the election of a President ~~was~~ is in the hands of the Council, and that any proposal on the subject should be made to the next Annual meeting."

453. THE FOUR HORSEMEN OF THE APOCALYPSE. The General Secretary reported that in connection with the presentation of the film, "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" at the Palace Theatre, speakers from the L.N.U. had been present and during the interval had made speeches on behalf of the League. Certain protests had been made in regard to the Union being identified with it, and he asked the Committee's wishes in the matter.

Resolved:- "That there was no objection to members of the Union taking advantage of the opportunity."

454. PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES AND THE L.N.U. - BURTON-ON-TRENT BRANCH.

The General Secretary reported receipt of a communication from the Secretary of the Burton-on-Trent Branch stating that the Committee of the Branch did not wish to take any action whatever in the event of a general election to bring out publicly what the opinions of Parliamentary candidates are upon the question of the League of Nations.

Resolved:- "That an organiser should be sent to Burton-on-Trent in order to put the views of Headquarters to members of the Branch and to get the views of candidates."

455. COMMUNICATION FROM NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

The General Secretary reported a communication from the National Council of women who asked for a lead from the Executive Committee as to what action should be taken in regard to the suggestion of the Allied Powers to support the application of Turkey to the League.

Resolved:- "That a reply be sent to the effect that it was the policy of the Union to get all nations of the world into the League as soon as possible but that the question of the admission of Turkey, or any other nation, would have to be considered by the Assembly in accordance with the conditions laid down in Article 1 of the Covenant.

Robert Cecil

C/13.
26.10.22.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

OCTOBER 19th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT: Lord Robert Cecil, Mrs. A.W. Claremont, Colin R. Coote, E.W. Morton George, Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon, John H. Harris, David Hunter, F.N. Keen, Oswald Mosley, Gilbert Murray, J.C. Squire, Mrs. Walter Runciman; together with the General Secretary and D.H. Mills.

The Rt. Hon. Sir George Foster, Prime Minister of Newfoundland and an Hon. Vice-President of the Union was present by invitation of the Committee.

MINUTES

450. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, Lord Burnham, Captain Elliot, Sir Arthur Haworth, Lord Queenborough and Mr. Raymond Unwin.

457. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee dated October 12th were approved as circulated.

Minute 439. The Committee approved the following draft by Mr. Keen of minute 349:-

"Mr. F.N. Keen suggested that Lord Robert Cecil should be asked to issue an appeal inviting every member of the Union to give (or collect) on Armistice Day a sum of 5/- as a special donation to the Headquarters of the Union. Mr. J.H. Harris suggested that on the Sunday, following Armistice Day retiring collections should be made at all churches."

458. "THE FOUR HORSEMEN OF THE APOCALYPSE." The General Secretary was asked to see the film "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," and report to the next meeting of the Executive. Until this report had been received the Union should continue to send speakers.

459. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The Financial Statement for the period ending October 14th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £18,408.17.6 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £22,000.

460. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

(1) Editorial. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated October 12th 1922 were approved and adopted except that the question of Miss Brodie's salary was considered in a minute of the Staff Appointments Committee report below.

(These minutes included (2) Report on Headway; (3) Publication and management of Headway; (4) Salary of Editor; (7) Miss Spaully's plays; (9) Co-operation with "Outward Bound"; and (13) Book by Professor Gilbert Murray).

P.T.O.

(2) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated 17.10.22 were approved and adopted subject to the omission of the following paragraph in minute 272(d):-

"as a mark of their appreciation of Lord Robert Cecil's successful efforts in the cause of the League of Nations during the Third Assembly."

270(c) Financial Statement.3.G.382a). The Committee approved the statement drafted by the General Secretary in regard to the finances of the Union dated October 1st. It was agreed that the last paragraph should be omitted if it was proposed to circulate.

271. Transfer from Appeals account. The General Secretary reported receipt of a letter from Mr. McKenna agreeing to the transfer of £2,000 from the Appeals account to the General account.

272(a) Lord Robert Cecil was asked to amend the letter proposed to be sent to the 5,000 or 6,000 selected sympathisers in the light of the discussion of the Committee.

273. "Headway". The Committee approved the recommendation that a sub-Committee be appointed to consider the question of saving £1,000 a year on the administration of "Headway", and suggested that Mr. Stanley Unwin be also asked to serve.

(These minutes included (270) Financial Statement) (271) Communication from Mr. Goodenough; (272) Finance; (273) 15, Grosvenor Crescent; (274) Staff reductions and changes; (275) Applications; and (276) Passing of cheques).

(3) Religions & Ethics. The minutes of the Committee of Religions and Ethics dated 29.9.22 were approved and adopted.

Resolved:- "That the question of the appointment of a salaried Secretary be referred to the Finance Committee."

(4) Staff Appointments. The General Secretary reported orally upon the meeting of the Staff Appointments Committee held earlier in the day. The Committee recommended:-

(a) That Mrs. Croxton's resignation be accepted to take effect three months from October 14th 1922 but that she be permitted to leave the services of the Union if she so desired at any time after November 15th next. Also that she be thanked for her services in the past and for her promise of help in the future."

(b) That Miss Brodie's offer to accept a salary of £200 instead of £500 a year under certain conditions be accepted and that this arrangement should come into operation as from 1st January 1923.

(c) That Mr. Irwin who was taking the place of Captain A.E.W. Thomas, who was travelling round the world, be granted a bonus at the rate of £50 per annum during the time that he was deputising for Captain Thomas.

- (d) That Mr. A. G. Macdonell be appointed temporarily to take Mr. Irwin's place at a salary of £250 per annum.
- (e) That Mr. E. E. M. Nielson's kind offer of temporary voluntary service be accepted with thanks.
- (f) That a proposal of Miss Spaul's for a full time appointment be deferred until a further meeting.
- (g) That a proposal of Mrs. Atkinson for a Women's Peace Organisation in connection with the Union be referred to the Management Committee.
- (h) That if, and when, the question of a permanent appointment being given to Mr. O'Mooney on the staff of the Union, is considered, his salary should date from October 1st 1922.
- (i) That Colonel Fisher's proposal that he should receive £50 for each month during which the Union receives not less than £1,000 as a result of his personal activities, while in other months he should receive no pay but only his expenses, be accepted.
- (j) That the offer of Mr. James Duncan to give full time voluntary services in the Publicity Department of the Union be accepted with thanks.

The General Secretary drew attention to the fact that if Mrs. Strachey should be otherwise occupied in the near future there would be nobody to supervise the Parliamentary work of the Union until Mr. Baker's return.

The report of the Committee was approved and adopted.

461. NEAR EAST - RESOLUTION. In accordance with the resolution of the last meeting of the Executive Committee consideration was given to the following resolution:-

"That the L.N.U., while warmly welcoming the cessation of hostilities in the Near East, and expressing its appreciation of the efforts for peace by General Harington, regrets that the negotiations for the peace are not to be under the auspices of the League of Nations. It further hopes that before any new duties are placed upon the League cause will be taken to see that the duties are such as the League is willing to accept and is able to carry out."

Resolved:- "That the Committee adheres to the policy formulated at its meeting held October 5th, and that Lord Robert Cecil should write to the Foreign Office to ask what action was being taken in regard to the Near East at the moment, and report to the next Executive."

462. CO-OPTION TO COMMITTEE.

Resolved:- "That Councillor Kennie Hey, J.P. be co-opted a member of the Executive Committee as representing the N.E. Lancs. District Council. P.T.O."

463. "NO MORE WAR" DEMONSTRATION.

The General Secretary stated that there was to be a further meeting of the "No More War" Demonstration Committee on November 23rd and he asked that any members of the Executive Committee should join him at this meeting.

464. TURKISH COMMITTEE - PROPOSAL TO FORM.

The proposal to form a Turkish sub-Committee in connection with the Union was deferred until Mr. Molony's return from Budapest.

465. APPEAL - EFFORTS OF STAFF.

Resolved:- "That a letter conveying the thanks of the Executive Committee, signed by Lord Robert Cecil, be sent to those members of the staff of the Union to whose efforts a contribution to the funds of the Union amounting to £68.4.3 has been given."

466. GENERAL ELECTION - CAMPAIGN.

Mrs. Strachey raised the question of the addressing of envelopes to every member of the Union in readiness for Union activities in the event of a General Election.

Resolved:- "That a communication concerning the duties of members of the Union in face of a General Election be addressed to the 210,000 members of the Union, and that in the same envelope shall be included an appeal for a contribution of 5/- (or a 10/- Treasury note) as a personal gift."

467. QUEENS HALL MEETING AND GENERAL COUNCIL. The Committee considered the question of the proposed Queens Hall meeting on November 17th and of the Council meeting on November 14th, and in view of the imminence of the General Election, it was

Resolved:- "That Lord Robert Cecil should be asked to use his discretion in regard to the holding of these meetings when the decision of the Government in regard to a General Election would be known."

Robert Cecil

C/13.
2.12.22.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

NOVEMBER 22nd 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- Lord Robert Cecil, G.N.Barnes, Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, Mrs.A.V.Claremont, A.V.Claremont, Colonel David Davies, Sir Willoughby Dickinson, E.W.Morton George, the Viscountess Gladstone, J.F.Green, John H.Harris, David Hunter, F.W.Aleen, Sir Frederick Maurice, Professor Gilbert Murray, Mrs. Walter Kunciman, General Seely, Mrs.Oliver Strachey, Raymond Unwin; together with A.J.C.Freshwater and D.H.Mills.

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468. APPOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Sir John Barran, Mr.Percy Bigland, Mr.A.Liberlin, Sir Arthur Haworth, Councillor Annie Hay, Mrs.Ogilvie Gordon and Lord Greenborough.
469. MINUTES. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held October 19th 1922 were approved as circulated.
470. NEAR EAST. Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had written to the Foreign Office in accordance with the decision of the Committee to ask what action was being taken by the Government in regard to the Near East. He had received a reply from the Foreign Office which he considered unsatisfactory and which he read to the Committee.

Resolved:- "That Members of Parliament be requested to ask questions in the House of Commons in regard to the possible functions of the League in the settlement of the Near East."

Lord Robert Cecil promised to put down a question to this effect, and Professor Murray promised to write to Captain Berkeley and Mr.Charles Roberts asking them to do the same.

471. PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES. The need for calling a meeting of the Parliamentary Committee was urged and Mrs.Strachey promised to go to the House of Commons, see certain members who were keen upon the League, and arrange for a meeting of the Parliamentary Committee to be held early next week.
472. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The financial statement for the period ending November 20th 1922 showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £10,913.12.0 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,000.
473. REPORT OF COMMITTEES.

(a) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee dated 7.11.22 and 15.11.22 were approved and adopted.

280. The Union's expenditure.

Resolved:- "That a special meeting of the Executive Committee be called for Thursday, November

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20th in order to consider the Union's finances and the Budget for 1922."

282. Free Church Council. The Committee approved of the recommendation of the Finance Committee to make a donation of £500 to the Free Church Council for their campaign for Corporate Members.

291. Appeals. The result of the Appeal was reported as follows: 210 letter - £8,859.14.11: 5/- letter - £409.17.1.

292. Administration of "Headway".

Resolved:- "That the report of the "Headway" (Management) sub-Committee dated 2.11.22 be referred back to that Committee for further consideration and report."

(These minutes included (280) Union's expenditure; (281) Colonel Fisher; (282) Council meeting; (283) Free Church Council; (284) "Headway"; (285) Committee of Religions & Ethics; (286) Application for loan; (287) Signing of cheques; (288) Transfer from Appeals account; (290) Financial Statement; (291) Report of Appeals activity; (292) Future administration of "Headway"; (293) Appointment of Overseas Secretary; (294) Draft letter to Chairman of Bank; and (295) Cheques).

(b) Management. The minutes of the Management Committee dated 26.10.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (291) Prices of League publications; (292) Recognition of Branches (293) Budapest; (294) Proposed department for organisation of Women's Societies; (295) General Council; (296) Resolutions; and (297) Co-ordination).

(c) Religions & Ethics. The minutes of the Committee of Religions & Ethics dated 20.10.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (104) Secretaryship; (105) Meetings; (106) Proposal to revert to the original status of the Society for the promotion of a League of Religions; (107) Proposal to communicate with Dr Jowett; (108) Pamphlets; (109) Mrs. Hall Simonson and (110) Next meeting).

(d) Education. The minutes of the Education Committee dated 20.10.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (262) Resolution; (263) Annual Conference of National Union of Teachers; (264) List of Meetings; (265) Education Authorities; (266) Hospitality sub-Committee; (267) Syllabus by Mr. Delisle Burns; (268) University Extension courses; (269) Study Circles; (270) League of Nations School reader; (271) Geographical sub-Committee; (272) Welsh Education Conference and (273) Next Meeting.)

(e) Liquor Traffic Committee. Consideration of the report of the Liquor Traffic Committee was adjourned until after a further meeting of that Committee.

(f) Editorial. The minutes of the Editorial Committee dated 9.11.22 were approved and adopted.

(These minutes included (2) Business arising;
(3) Report of "Headway" sub-Committee (Editorial);
(4) Report of "Headway" sub-Committee (Management);
(5) New Publications; (6) Suggestions from
Scottish Council; (7) Co-option of new members;
(8) Back on League Movement in France)

(g) Overseas. The report of the Overseas Committee dated 22.11.22 was approved and adopted.

(437) Resolved:- "That the abbreviated report of the Prague Conference be sent to the Prime Minister together with the full resolutions (Bulletin No.4).

It was further

Resolved:- "That a deputation be not sent to the Prime Minister at the present moment in regard to the Prague resolutions".

(439) Canada. Lord Robert Cecil promised to write a personal letter to two or three of his friends in Canada in regard to the proposal put before the Canadian Parliament that Canada should withdraw its membership from the League of Nations.

(440) Vilna - Polish sub-Committee report. Sir Willoughby Dickinson promised to preside at a joint meeting of the Polish-Lithuanian sub-committee when their differences would be discussed.

Austria and the Third Assembly. Sir Arthur Shirley Benn and Colonel David Davies were asked to put down questions in the House of Commons in regard to the ratification by H.M. Government of the resolution passed at Geneva for the granting of a credit to Austria.

(441) Belgian Society. Sir Arthur Shirley Benn, who would be in Belgium at the time, was asked to represent the B.N.U. at the inaugural meeting of the Belgian Society on December 1st.

474. FEDERATION OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETIES. The report (S.G.405) of the Council of the Federation of League of Nations Societies held in Budapest on October 20th was received. The Committee expressed the hope that Rule Bb of the Council, namely, that all resolutions before being considered by the Federation should, in the first instance, be considered by the National Societies, would be observed.

475. L.N.U. COUNCIL. The Committee approved the agenda of the Council meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 12th at the Carlton Hall.
476. QUEEN'S HALL MEETING. It was reported that Lord Robert Cecil would address a public meeting in the Queen's Hall on Monday, December 11th. Senor Edwards, Chile (President of the Third Assembly) had promised to take the Chair. Other speakers included Sir Arthur Steel Maitland, Prince Ranjitsinghi, and an effort was being made to arrange for speakers representing the other great political parties.
477. MAJOR THE HON. ORMSBY GORE - RESIGNATION. It was reported that Major the Hon. Ormsby Gore M.P. had resigned on taking office in the Government. The resignation was accepted with regret.
478. CO-OPTATIONS. Mrs. Strachey promised to bring forward a list of Members of Parliament who were strong supporters of the League of Nations with a view to their being co-opted as members of the Executive.
479. NOTTINGHAM BRANCH - RESOLUTION. It was reported in the absence of Mr. Eberlin (Nottingham) that the following resolution of the Nottingham Branch had been withdrawn, as the Branch considered it to be covered by item 4 of the General Council agenda:-
- "That it is in the best interests of the work of the L.N.U. to form a County Branch in Nottinghamshire, with powers to raise and administer its own finances.
Proposed by Mr. Eberlin, J.P."
480. LEAGUE OF NATIONS EXHIBITION. The Committee approved of the proposal to transfer the Exhibition held at St. Albans to the Hyde Park Hotel for November 27th and 28th. Members of the Executive Committee were asked to make an effort to attend on one day of this Exhibition.
481. IRAQ - RESOLUTION. The following resolution of the Executive Committee held in July was further adjourned:-

"That the Committee think that it is inexpedient to express any opinion as to the advantage or disadvantage of the replacement of the proposed Mandate of the British Empire for Iraq by a Treaty of alliance with King Feisal but that provided the treaty maintains in full the rights of the League to supervise the administration of the country and secure the fulfilment of the conditions set out in the Covenant, there is no objection to the proposal from a League point of view".

Robert Cecil

C/13.
5.12.22.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD

AT 15, GROSVENOR GARDENS, S.W.1 ON THURSDAY,

NOVEMBER 30th 1922 AT 11.45 a.m.

PRESIDENT:- Lord Robert Cecil, Sir Arthur (Hirley) Tenn, D. Clifton Brown, Mrs A. J. Claremont, A. J. Claremont, Colin R. Coote, Colonel David Davies, Sir Willoughby Dickinson, J. F. Morton George, the Viscountess Gladstone, Sir Hubert de la Poer Gough, J. H. Harris, F. H. Kern, Professor Gilbert Murray, Lord Queensborough, Charles Roberts, Mrs Walter Runciman, J. C. Squire, Mrs Strachey, Raymond Unwin, together with the General Secretary and D. H. Mills.

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462. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of the Rt. Hon G. A. B. Mac, Mr. J. C. Squire, Sir Arthur Haworth and Mrs Ogilvie Gordon.

463. THE UNION'S EXPENDITURE - REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee considered the report of the Finance Committee in regard to the Union's expenditure:-
(see Appendix 'A')

The General Secretary presented a memorandum advising the Committee, in the event of their deciding to reduce the budget, to postpone until March any decision to give notice to all the employees of the Union. The memorandum further stated that apart from minor economies it would mean that the Union's work would be carried on substantially as at present for at least another six months, and that in March the situation should again be reviewed in the light of the Union's receipts during the first three months of the year.

The General Secretary also presented the following memorandum showing the estimated income of the Union for 1923.

ESTIMATED INCOME OF THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION FOR 1923.

Promises	...	£16,202.0.0.
Appeals (amount of new money collected during first eleven months of 1922)...		23,000.0.0.
Subscription fees.	...	2,500.0.0.
Headquarter's membership subscriptions		1,250.0.0.
Rule 12 (twice the amount received during the first half of 1922)		465.0.0.
		<u>£45,367.0.0.</u>

Colonel David Davies read a memorandum on the present situation urging, amongst other things, that the Union should immediately establish a reserve fund on the interest of the Union should carry on. He proposed the following resolutions:-

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1. "That the Union should reduce its current expenditure within the limits of its possible income.
2. That the expenditure shall not exceed £10,000 a year until an endowment fund of at least £100,000 shall have been raised.
3. All sums exceeding £10 which would be regarded as annual subscriptions should automatically be paid into the endowment fund.

It was Resolved:-

- (a) That the Committee are of the opinion that the Union should not reduce its expenditure at the moment to £11,225 p.a. as suggested in the report of the Finance Committee, but that the Finance Committee should make further proposals, if possible in time for the next meeting of the Executive, showing how the Union could reduce its expenditure for the following year to £25,000 or £20,000."
- (b) That a sub-Committee consisting of Mr. J. H. Harris, Mr. J. C. Squire, Mrs. Walter Runciman, Mr. Morton-George, Mrs. Strachey and Mr. Gwilym Davies (the Hon. Director for Wales) be appointed to consider the question of the raising of funds and to make suggestions for an Appeals Campaign
- (c) That authority be given to ask for a Christmas collection in the churches.
- (d) That a reserve fund be set up as soon as possible to which all amounts over £20 should be allocated.

484. GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING-FINANCE PROPOSALS. The Committee considered the following proposal which was to come before the next meeting of the General Council:-

Amendment of Rule 12, so that H.Q. shall receive half the nett subscriptions instead of the old agitation fee.

In the course of this discussion Mr. Morton George emphasised the objections which many Branches would feel to the proposal. Lord Robert Cecil proposed to meet these objections by putting forward the Executive Committee's proposal in an amended form so as to exclude 1/- subscriptions from its scope, and so as to make it clear that Branches would feel entitled to raise locally funds needed to carry on the work provided that half of all such sums (i.e. except annual membership subscriptions) should be forwarded to H.Q.

Lord Robert Cecil also mentioned the advantages which the branches would derive from the proposal to make 5/- the minimum subscription of "Headway", and the Committee agreed that for the January meeting of the Council the following resolution should be put forward:-

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"That at the January Council meeting Rule 4 be amended by the substitution of 5/- for 7/6 as the minimum subscription to secure HEADWAY.

It is estimated that this change would result in an increased net revenue for the Union of £2,625, half of which would come to Headquarters.

Gilbert Murray.

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8.12.22

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

APPENDIX A.

THE UNION'S EXPENDITURE.

In accordance with Minute 27^(a) (c), the General Secretary presented his detailed proposals for conducting the business of the Union at an estimated expenditure of £10,000 a year. The following comparative statement in three parallel columns shows the main features of the plan, the details of which were with the names of the officers concerned, explained to the Committee. They are available in the office for the confidential information of the members of the Committee.

	Approved Expenditure for 1922.	Proposed Expenditure for year from April 1st 1923.	Proposed Expenditure for year from 1st April '24
	£	£	£
A. Administration.	2158	1350	1350
B. Education and Publicity.			
(a) Publicity Secretary	650	-	-
Publications.	2785	1200	1200
Public Meetings.	2455	1050	1050
Other Publicity.	200	-	-
Library.	100	50	50
Branches.			
1. central organisations	1475	900	900
2. regional "	7388	-	-
(b) Indirect.			
Overseas Secretary.	500	300	300
Overseas	415	350	350
Parliamentary.	652.	75.	75
Teaching.	450	-	-
Labour	450	-	-
Christian Organisations.	-	-	-
Religions and Ethics.	50	-	-
Women's Organisations	-	-	-
C. Establishment.			
Deputy Secretary.	700	650	650
Clerical Services.	3308	1500	1500
Accounts	1166	700	700
Stationery & Office requisites.	1200	600	600
Postages & telegrams.	1400	700	700
Office maintenance	3335	2600	1350
D. Appeals.	2068	-	-
E. Other expenditure.	589	300	300
Reserve for salary adjustments.	106	-	-
Contingency Fund.	2000	-	-
		£12,325	£11,075
Less £1,000 being for the expenses of the Appeals Department, the out of pocket cost of which will be the first charge on new donations all of which are to be placed to capital account		1,000	1,000
NETT EXPENDITURE.	£36,008	£11,225	£9,975

RESOLVE: That subject to the following minor reservation, the above scheme for reducing the nett expenditure of the Union to £10,000 be approved and recommended to the Executive Committee for adoption in December if it then appears that the £90,000 asked for in the present appeal will not be forthcoming; the minor reservations being that the Finance Committee may wish to revise the first figure in the 2nd and 3rd of the above columns.

NOTE - The Committee's Minute No. 270(c) under which the above scheme was prepared, included a survey of the Union's financial position on 1st October 1922. That survey concluded as follows :-

Colonel David Davies has repeatedly suggested that a substantial capital sum might be forthcoming from some friends of the Union if the Union would undertake to live on the interest of this sum, and not to use the capital for current expenditure. If by December it becomes clear that the alternative plan of living like other charities on money collected from year to year has failed, Colonel Davies' suggestion should be further explored. If £1000,000 were forthcoming in this way, the permanent income of the Union Headquarters could be increased to £10,000 a year, which would enable a substantial amount of work to be done although public opinion would come to support the League far more slowly than if the Union's expenditure could be maintained at its present level.

The adoption of the above scheme involves an undertaking to use only the interest on the Union's capital for current work, and to pay all new donations into the capital account, subject only to a first charge in respect of the Appeals Department including the establishment charge mentioned in the above scheme.

The adoption of the foregoing scheme in December will involve giving notice before the end of that month to all those members of the staff of the Union whose appointments are ~~subject to~~ three months notice, that their appointments will terminate on 31st March next, although some of them may be offered new appointments on different conditions, and generally at reduced rates of salary, as from 1st April 1923.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD
AT 15, GROSVENOR CRESCENT, S.W.1. ON THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 7th 1922 AT 11.30 a.m.

PRESENT:- Lord Robert Cecil, J.D. Birchall, Mrs. A.W. Claremont, A.W. Claremont, David Davies, Sir Willoughby Dickinson, Walter Elliot, E.W. Morton-George, Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon, J.F. Green, John H. Harris, David Hunter, F.N. Keen, General Maurice, Gilbert Murray, Lord Quenborough, Mrs. Oliver Strachey, Henry Vivian, together with the General Secretary and D.H. Mills.

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485. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were tendered on behalf of Mr. Percy Bigland, Mrs. Walter Runciman and Mr. Raymond Urwin.
486. MINUTES. The minutes of the Committee held on November 23rd 1922 were approved as circulated.
487. NEAR EAST. Lord Robert Cecil stated that he had not asked any questions in the House of Commons about possible functions of the League in the settlement of the Near East. He had, however, spoken to the Prime Minister on the subject and suggested that a letter should be drafted as from the Executive Committee of the Union to the Prime Minister informing him that it was proposed to publish this letter together with his reply.
- Resolved:- "To agree to this letter and that the drafting of it be left in the hands of Lord Robert Cecil, Captain Elliot and Major Gen. Sir Frederick Maurice."
488. FREE CHURCH COUNCIL. The General Secretary pointed out an error in minute 473a (283). He stated that the Finance Committee did not recommend a donation of £500 to the Free Church Council but rather that an amount up to £500 should be spent under four specified conditions which included the following viz:
- "That this contribution should be used only to defray such out-of-pocket expenses as the Union's representatives on the Committee should approve for this purpose."
- Resolved:- "That the minute be altered accordingly."
489. VILNA - JOINT COMMITTEE (440). It was reported that the joint meeting of the Polish Lithuanian sub-Committees had not yet taken place. The Polish sub-Committee agreed to the proposal of a meeting under the Chairmanship of Sir Willoughby Dickinson, but the Lithuanian Committee had not yet agreed to the proposal.
490. AUSTRIA. Lord Robert Cecil referred with gratification to the fact of a granting of a credit to Austria being included in the King's speech and that it had now passed its second reading in the House of Commons.
491. BELGIAN SOCIETY. The General Secretary reported that Sir Arthur Shirley Bonn had attended the inaugural meeting of the Belgian L.N. Society on December 1st. Sir Arthur was of the opinion that the Belgian Society had been well launched.
492. QUEEN'S HALL MEETING. The General Secretary referred to the Queen's Hall Meeting to be addressed by Lord Robert Cecil on Monday, December 11th, and in that connection stated that Prince Ranjitsinghi, owing to illness, was unable to attend. An effort was being made to get Lord Chelmsford.
493. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The Financial Statement for the period ending December 5th showed a bank overdraft on that date amounting to £10,843.13.10 with estimated outstanding liabilities amounting to £2,000.

The General Secretary reported that this did not take into account promises of £1,000 obtained by Lord Robert Cecil from Mr. Illingworth during the week-end, or of £250 payable by the London Joint City & Midland Bank under a promise deed, or of

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held by the Hampstead Branch.

494. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES. (a) Finance. The minutes of the Finance Committee held December 6th were approved and adopted subject to the amendments set out below:-

(These minutes included (298) Budget for 1923. (299) 15, Grosvenor Crescent; (300) Application for loan from Biggleswade Branch). Budget for 1923. The Finance Committee reported as follows:- The following figures considered by the Finance Committee were also placed before the Executive Committee. The Finance Committee hoped to realise them and if they were realised the endowment fund would at the end of 1926 amount to approximately £100,000.

Estimated Headquarters' Income.

	1923	1924	1925	1926
New money (Placed to reserve)	£15,000	£20,000	£25,000	£30,000
(Used for current expenditure)	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Sums already promised under deed	18,800	17,400	2,900	-
Proportions of membership subscriptions received from Branches	4,000	5,000	5,500	6,000
National Sunday collections	1,000	1,500	2,500	3,000
Income from investments (reckoned at 5%)	750	2,225	4,033	5,534
TOTAL RECEIVED FOR CURRENT ACCOUNT	34,550	36,125	24,533	24,534
Less authorised expenditure.	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Less overdraft on 1st January.	10,000	1,960	--	67
Excess expenditure (at £31,000 a year) during first quarter of 1923.	1,500	--	--	--
Total Reserve Fund.	13,050	44,175	69,175	99,175*

*From this sum of £99,175 should be deducted £533 which will form an overdraft on 1st January, 1927. The net reserve fund on 31st December, 1926 will therefore be £98,642.

The Committee

Resolved:- 1. That the Union should reduce its current expenditure within the limits of its probable permanent income.

2. That to this end the expenditure of the Union should be reduced to £25,000 a year from 1st April 1923 until 31st December 1926.

3. That the Union should spend on current account no more than £10,000 a year out of the donations obtained by the Appeals department during 1923/6.

4. That all the money collected by the Union in excess of this £10,000 less the cost of collecting it should be placed to a reserve fund.

It was further

Resolved:- "That the expenditure as from 1st April 1923 be based upon the following Budget, but that until March 31st the expenditure should be at the rate of £31,000 per annum."

(for the purposes of comparison there are also shown the approved £36,000 estimate for 1922, and the £20,000 estimate for 1923 which was rejected by the Finance Committee.)

	Estimated expenditure from 1st April 1923.	Approved Expenditure for 1922
	£	£
A. ADMINISTRATION	2200	2158
B. EDUCATION & PUBLICITY		
a. Direct		
Intelligence Section	920	906
Publications	-	1505
Publicity Secretary	600	650
Public Meetings	2170	2455
Other Publicity	-	200
Book Room.	374	374
Library	50	100
Branches		
1. Central Organisations	1261	1475
2. Regional. "	3050	7388
b. Indirect		
Overseas Secretary	500	500
Overseas	645	415
Parliamentary	475	652
Teaching	590	450
Labour	500	450
Christian Organisations	-	-
Religions & Ethics	-	50
Women's Organisations	-	-
C. ESTABLISHMENT.		
Deputy Secretary.	700	700
Clerical Services	3308	3308
Accounts	1155	1166
Stationery & Office Requisites	1100	1200
Postages & Telegrams	1300	1400
Office Maintenance	2702	3335
D. APPEALS	-	2068
E. OTHER EXPENDITURE	400	989
Reserve for salary adjustment	-	106
Contingency Fund	1000	2000
	£25000	£36000

Mr. Morton George intimated that at the Council meeting he had been instructed by the London Federation to oppose the proposed amendment to Rule 12.

Upon the General Secretary's suggestion the question of which officers services should be dispensed with was left to the Staff Appointments Committee.

- (b) "Headway" (Management). The Minutes of the "Headway" (Management) sub-Committee dated 2.11.22 and 29.11.22 were adjourned till after the "Headway" (Management) sub-Committee had again met.

- (c) Economic sub-Committee. The minutes of the Economic sub-Committee held November 23rd, together with a draft memorandum on Reparations (c/23), subject to two or three minor alterations were approved and adopted. It was

Resolved:- "To agree to a proposal that a deputation should wait upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer to present this report, and that this deputation be headed by Mr. W.T. Layton, and that the General Secretary should consult with Mr. Layton as to who the other members of the deputation should be."

- (d) Liquor Traffic. The report of the Liquor Traffic Committee was approved and adopted, except that the Executive did not consider that it should concern itself with liquor traffic in non-mandated areas.

Mrs. Ogilvie Gordon raised the question of traffic in women and children in mandated areas, and it was

Resolved:- "That this be referred to by the next meeting of the Mandates Committee."

The Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Lugard was thanked for his presence at Committee and for his kindness in presiding over the Liquor Traffic Committee and producing such an excellent report.

95. SPECIAL MEETING - MINUTES. The minutes of the special meeting of the Executive Committee dated November 30th 1922 were approved and adopted subject to the following amendments:-

- (a) That minute 483 resolution (d) be amended in accordance with minute 494 resolution (4) (above).

- (b) That the resolution in minute 484 to be placed before the January meeting of the Council shall read:-

"That Rule 4 be amended by the substitution of 4/- for 3/6 as the minimum subscription to secure "HEADWAY".

496. COLONEL DAVID DAVIES - APPROACHING MARRIAGE. Lord Robert Cecil, on behalf of the Committee, tendered hearty congratulations to Colonel Davies upon his approaching marriage. Colonel Davies returned thanks.

497. CHRISTIAN MINORITIES IN TURKEY - ARMENIAN NATIONAL HOME. The Committee adopted the following resolution by Mr. J.H. Harris:- "The Executive Committee recalls that Part IV of the Treaty of Sevres confers upon the League of Nations the right to concern itself with the question of the Protection of Minorities in Turkey.

The Committee urges that similar measures for the Protection of Minorities may be included in any Treaty that may be negotiated as a result of the Conference now sitting at Lausanne and that no steps in this connection should be taken by the Powers concerned other than such as may be taken in consultation with the Council of the League of Nations.

It desires to emphasise the opinion that the provisions for minorities agreed to by certain European Powers would be entirely inadequate in the case of these Near Eastern territories. In order to guarantee the execution of whatever provisions are adopted, the Committee urges that a Representative of the League of Nations be appointed in Turkey.

The Committee furthermore reaffirms in principle, the necessity of establishing a National Home for the Armenians, as has twice been approved by the Assembly of the League of Nations. The form, constitution, and location of any such National Home are proper subjects for discussion by the Conference as a whole. The Committee can well conceive that the most practicable method of realising this aim might be by means of an accretion of territory to the Armenian Republic of Erivan.

The Committee wishes to see established beyond question the direct responsibility of the European members of the Conference for the future of the Armenian and other non-moslem peoples of Turkey; and it further believes that no settlement in the Near East can be permanent or satisfactory which does not contain provisions guaranteeing to these peoples liberty and security, and the opportunity of self-development in amity and co-operation with their neighbours.

The Committee respectfully suggests that the Conference might with advantage explore the possibilities of an amicable agreement along those lines with the Russian and Turkish Governments.

Mr. Harris suggested that a member of the Executive and Mr. Holony should proceed at the earliest possible moment to Lausanne to present to individual members of the Conference the attitude of the L.N.U. towards the question. Mr. J.H. Harris promised to provide expenses incurred by the member of the Executive.

Resolved:- "That this suggestion be adopted and that Mr. J.H. Harris and the General Secretary consult as to which member of the Executive should accompany Mr. Holony."

498. DANISH MINISTER - PRESENTATION: The General Secretary drew the attention of the Committee to a presentation by the Danish Minister of a piece of statuary.

Resolved:- "That the thanks of the Committee be sent to the Danish Minister."

499. LIBRARY - GIFT: The General Secretary reported the gift of a Library from the International Association for Labour Legislation.

The Library was given on condition that if the Union disbands the Library shall be passed to the University College of London or some other similar Institution.

Resolved:- "That the gift be accepted with thanks and that the condition stated above be accepted."

C.13.
11/12/1922.

Robert Cecil



