

also asked that a small conference of newspaper editors and publishers be held with a view to increasing their understanding of UNESCO. On the suggestion of the New Zealand delegate, it was agreed that the question of interesting the press in UNESCO should be included in the agenda for a conference of editors and publishers authorized for the Mass Communications programme.

Much attention was also given to a general policy for publications. It was agreed that UNESCO should issue all its publications under the Organization's own imprint. The Committee requested the Director-General to investigate the possibility of issuing appropriate publications in languages and forms designed to interest large numbers of people to whom English and French are not known. Much importance was attached to a recommendation (approved by the Administrative Commission) that the Director-General be instructed to credit revenue from the sale of publications to a Publications Capital Revolving Fund. It was thought that this would stimulate sales, and ultimately reduce the cost of publications to the UNESCO budget.

Among the conclusions set out by a small drafting committee—of which the New Zealand delegate was a member—was the belief that the publications programme should be considered as a whole. "At present the authorization for individual publications comes up through the Programme Sub-Commissions," said the committee's report, "and at no point is there a presentation to the Conference of the entire publishing programme." A list of proposed publications, compiled by the Secretariat for the Committee of Fifteen, contained approximately fifty titles and a contemplated expenditure of \$270,000 for printing costs alone. The committee recommended that the Director-General be requested "to prepare for the next session of the General Conference a list of publications issued to date, a statement of publications issued in 1949 with an accounting of their cost, the size and language of the editions and an analysis of their distribution, and a list of those publications proposed for 1950, with an estimate of their cost and proposed distribution."

OFFICIAL AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COMMISSION

The Official and External Relations Commission held six meetings, and four more were held jointly with the Programme Commission. The former Commission was under the chairmanship of the leader of the United Kingdom delegation, Mr. D. R. Hardman, M.P., who also shared the chairmanship of the joint meetings with Professor P. Carneiro (Brazil). Dr. H. N. Parton represented New Zealand.