

as the Book Coupon Scheme and for the reconstitution of the Revolving Fund (henceforth to be called the "Working Capital Fund"), owing also to the very embarrassing precedent which would be created by such a concession if other member States who now contribute in dollars came forward with similar requests.

Certain other matters dealt with covered the use of loans to the Secretariat for housing from the Revolving Fund; amendments to the financial regulations; the utilization of certain sorts of miscellaneous income, as, for example, in a Publications Fund; and arrangements for the appointment of auditors from an Audit Panel to be set up by United Nations. Finally, a resolution was forwarded to the General Conference (where it was adopted) instructing the Director-General to negotiate with the French Government "with a view to examining the possibility of establishing in Paris the UNESCO headquarters in a building which would meet the increasing needs of the Organization," and providing for the setting-up of a Headquarters Commission to review the problems of development and maintenance of accommodation—this Commission to report to the fifth session of the General Conference.

It should be added that all the questions arising from payment of contributions were referred to a most excellent sub-committee, whose lucid report helped the Commission enormously; and that this sub-committee was unanimous in praise of the work of its own chairman, Mr. W. G. St. C. Smith, of the Australian delegation.

## PROCEDURE COMMITTEE

*Chairman*: Dr. J. C. BEAGLEHOLE (*New Zealand*)

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The Procedure Committee, though not dealing with questions of the same scope or magnitude as, say, the Programme and Budget Commission, nevertheless proved a very interesting Committee. Its agenda seemed on the surface to offer no particular difficulties, and, indeed, to be largely formal; but difficulties did arise, and the Committee became the scene whereon one of the constant under-currents of the Conference—the use of Spanish as a working language—again rose to the surface. Matters of procedure are rarely as simple as they sound, and may, indeed, affect a whole Conference. Provision was made for three meetings of this Committee, but a fourth and fifth had to be added, while a Drafting Sub-committee had more than one long session. The Committee profited from the membership of such delegates as Mr. Justice Nicholas, one of the Australian delegation, Mr. Otis Mulliken, of the United States, and Professor Jakob Nielsen, the very able Dane who was its chairman last year, as well as others.