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The International Committee met on the premises of the French Committee, 32, rue de Leningrad, Paris, on April 10, 1969. The United States was represented by Martin Blumenson and Arthur Funk. The session was opened by Professor Parri, the President, and then turned over to M. Henri Michel, the Secretary General, who announced that four more countries had affiliated: Canada, East Germany, Israel, and Turkey, and that negotiations were in progress with Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Finland, India, and Luxembourg.

CURRENT STATUS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

United States: H. Stuart Hughes (Harvard), Secretary; George Baer (California at Santa Cruz), Albert A. Blum (Michigan State), Martin Blumenson (Acadia University), Charles F. Delzell (Vanderbilt), Harold C. Deutsch (Minnesota), Stanley L. Falk (Industrial College of the Armed Forces), Arthur L. Funk (Florida), Hans Gatzke (Yale), Stanley Hoffmann (Harvard), Ernest May (Harvard), Louis Morton (Dartmouth), George Mosse (Wisconsin), Forrest C. Pogue (George C. Marshall Foundation), Max Salvatori (Smith), John Snell (North Carolina), Louis Snyder (CCNY), Werner Warmbrunn (Pitzer), Gerhard L. Weinberg (Michigan), Gordon Wright (Stanford).

The American Committee is collaborating with the National Archives on plans for a conference on World War II records, tentatively scheduled for spring, 1971.

Austria: Herbert Steiner, Secretary General, Dokumentationsarchiv des Österreichischen Widerstandes, 1010 Wien 1., Altes Rathaus, Wipplingerstrasse 8.

Belgium: Secretary, Professor Willequet, Faculté des Lettres de l'Université libre of Brussels. Under the Ministry of Education, a Centre de Recherches et d'Etudes Historiques de la Seconde Guerre Mondiale has been established, with Jean Vanwelkenhuyzen as Director. Address: 67A, rue Joseph II, Bruxelles 4. A Scientific Council, composed of University professors and members of national associations, meets once a month. Its first task is to set up card catalogues, reorganize the library, and make an inventory of archives.

Bulgaria: Professor Avramov, President of the National Committee on the History of the Second World War. Institute of History associated with the Académie des sciences de Bulgarie, 3, rue Benkovska, Sofia.

Canada: President, Mr. Wise, Directorate of History, Canadian Forces Headquarters, Ottawa, 4, Ontario. Members: C. P. Stacey (University of Toronto), Col. G. W. L. Nicholson, Dr. D. M. Schurman (Queen's University, Kingston), Dr. G. F. C. Stanley (Royal Military College of Canada), Major J. J. B. Pariseau (Directorate of History, Canadian Forces HQ).

Czechoslovakia: Two committees have been established: a Czech Committee, with Mr. Kladiva, President, Messrs. Karel Nyvlt, Tomas Pasak, and Stanislas Zamechknik, Vice-Presidents, and Secretary: Mrs. Bozena Nemcova; and a Slovak Committee, with Mr. Anton Rasla, President and Secretary, Mr. Vladimir Draxler. A federal organization is being set up: Czechoslovak Committee for the History of the Anti-Fascist Resistance, Prague I - Rytirska 31. Mr. Snejdarek, Director of the Institute of International Relations and Economics, Prague I - Vlasska 19.

Denmark: Secretary, Mr. Bagge, Ugdiverselskab for Danmark Nyeste Historie, Niels Juels Gade II - 1059 Copenhagen K.

France: Secretary, M. Henri Michel. The office of the French Committee is located at 32, rue de Leningrad, Paris VIIe. The Committee sponsored the very successful colloquium on "The War in the Mediterranean" in April, 1969, and has undertaken to publish sometime in the near future the papers delivered. A good summary of some of the papers, together with commentators' remarks, can be found in the Revue historique de l'armée, Nouvelle Série, No. 2, 1969, pp. 123-31. The Committee continues its work of obtaining testimony on the Resistance and of recording brief résumés in a chronological file now containing more than 60,000 cards. In its publication, the Revue d'histoire de la 2ème guerre mondiale, the Committee will publish, probably in 1971, a collection of articles sponsored by the American Committee on "President Roosevelt and the War."

Germany:

Federal Republic: Dr. Helmut Krausnick, Director, Institut für Zeitgeschichte, 8 Munich 80 - Mohlstrasse 26.

Democratic Republic: Professor Schumann, Institut of History of the German Academy of Sciences, Clara Zetkinstrasse 26, East Berlin.

Great Britain: The British Section of the International Committee is now headquartered at the Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London, S.E.1. F. W. Deakin (Chairman), Noble Frankland, Director of the War Museum (Vice-Chairman), Sir John Wheeler-Bennett, Alan Bullock, Michael Howard, Brian Melland (representing the Historical Section of the Cabinet Office), Ronald Wheatley (representing the Foreign/Commonwealth Office Library), Hugh Seton-Watson, Secretary: J. J. Chadwick. Miss G. E. A. Rasin, head of the Documents Section of the Imperial War Museum's Department of Libraries and Archives, is also affiliated. The Committee is informally linked with the Association of Contemporary Historians and the British National Committee of the International Congress of Historical Sciences.

Hungary: Mr. Vass, President of the Hungarian Committee, Budapest I Uri Utca 51-53.

Israel: Mr. Tartakower, President of the Israeli Committee. Yad Vashem, Har Hazikaron, Jerusalem.

Italy: Professor Parri, President, Instituto Nazionale del Movimento di Liberazione in Italia, Milan, Piazza del Duomo 14. (Personal address: Via C. Columbo 179, Rome.)

Netherlands: Mr. de Jong, Director of the Rijkinstituut voor oorlogs-documentatie, Herengracht 474, Amsterdam C.

Norway: Professor Skodvin, Faculty of letters, University, Oslo.

Poland: Mr. Jedruszczak, Director of the Institute of Military History, Warsaw - 33 - ul. Miedznarodowa 37 A, m 7. The Polish Committee has announced that it is organizing a meeting at Warsaw in the spring of 1970 on "The War in Central Europe."

Rumania: Mr. Zaharia, Director of the Institute of Social and Political Historical Studies, Strada Ministerului 4, Bucharest.

Turkey: Mr. Sevket Aziz Kansu, President of the Turkish Society of History, Turk Tarih Kurumu, Ankara.

USSR: Professor P. Jiline, President of the Section of Military History, National Committee of Historians of the Soviet Union, Moscow V. 36, Dim. Ulianov 19. At the April meeting of the International Committee, Professor Jiline made some comments about Congress of Historical Sciences. He indicated that special rates would be offered by Aeroflot and that speakers would have certain expenses defrayed. Friday, August 21, 1970, is reserved for a session (in a room seating about 400) organized by the International Committee on the theme: "Mobilization and Utilization of Manpower in the War Effort." There will be four major reports: from Russia, Great Britain, Germany, and the United States, the latter to be represented by Professor Albert Blum. (The time assigned to Germany will be split between East and West Germany.) There will be nine secondary reports: Poland, France, Denmark, Belgium, Netherlands, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Yugoslavia, and Italy.

Yugoslavia: Mr. Marjanovic, President of the Institute for the Study of the Labor Movement, Trg. Marxa i Engelsa II, Belgrade.

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Suggestions for future issues, corrections, reports on work in progress, information about meetings, names and addresses of those who might like to receive the newsletter, may be sent to the newsletter editor, Arthur L. Funk, c/o Department of History, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, 32601.

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Following this list, is a select bibliography of books in German which include some of the more important works appearing since 1960. This has been prepared by Charles B. Burdick of San José State College, California.

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