

## REPORT OF THE ACTING-DIRECTOR

The Acting-Director's report covered a wide range and provoked a long discussion by the delegates present. The subjects dealt with in the report were :—

- (1) The Political Perspective.
- (2) The Economic Background.  
The War Economy.  
The Beginnings of the Transition to Relief and Rehabilitation Reconversion.  
International Economic Collaboration.  
Pooling of Resources and Allocation of Supplies.  
Relief, Reconstruction, and Development.
- (3) Some Trends of Social Policy.  
Employment Organization.  
Industrial Relations.  
Wage Policy.  
Hours of Work.  
Holidays with Pay.  
Women's Work.  
Children and Young Workers.  
Industrial Health and Safety.  
Social Insurance.  
Housing.  
Agriculture.  
Co-operation.  
Migration.  
Population policy.
- (4) The Activities of the International Labour Organization.  
Relations with United Nations.  
The Membership of the Organization.  
The Ratification of Conventions.  
The Financial Position of the Organization.  
Industrial Committee.  
Maritime Work.  
Regional Problems and Activities Publications.
- (5) The Future Outlook.  
Remodelling already in Progress.  
Problems of Representation.  
National Tripartite Conferences.  
A Minimum Code of Labour Standards.  
Improvement of Supervision over the Application of Conventions.

Sixty-four delegates spoke on the report, coming from thirty-five different countries. In his reply the Acting-Director stated "that the discussion at the Conference has reached as high a level as any previous discussion of this kind, and indeed in some respects has set a new standard which future Conferences will find it hard to equal."

## RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

The Recommendations made by the Committees set up to examine the various items on the Agenda were far-reaching and with a few minor alterations made in full Conference were adopted. The decisions are set out hereunder :—

- (1) RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF FULL EMPLOYMENT DURING THE PERIOD OF INDUSTRIAL REHABILITATION AND RECONVERSION (APPENDIX 1)

"The problem of achieving and maintaining full employment is perhaps the most important problem of a social and economic character that can be considered by the International Labour Conference." This statement from