

voting-papers. Three delegations with the right to vote were absent on this occasion.

Dr Huxley, with the approval of the Executive Board, subsequently appointed as Deputy Director-General, Dr Walter Laves, of the United States Bureau of the Budget, who had done excellent work throughout the Conference as Rapporteur of the Administrative and Financial Sub-Commission.

### UNESCO MONTH

It had been decided by the Preparatory Commission that, concurrently with the Conference, there should run in Paris a series of celebrations, open to the public, and illustrating aspects of the culture of the countries participating in the Conference. The purpose of this UNESCO month was to generate local interest in the Organization and to provide a fitting background to the Conference. The celebrations included:—

Lectures on a variety of subjects by authorities of international standing.

An International Exhibition of Modern Art.

An International Scientific Exhibition.

An International Exhibition of Education. (The Education Department, with the assistance of the Miramar Studios and the High Commissioner's Office in London, prepared an exhibit for this, which received high praise from the press.)

A Festival of documentary, scientific, and educational films. (New Zealand contributed two documentary films, "Education Strikes Back" and "Housing in New Zealand.")

Celebration of Music, Drama, and Ballet.

A resolution adopted by the Conference on the future observance of UNESCO month recognized the value of these celebrations as a means of acquainting the general public of every country with the aims and achievements of UNESCO, and favoured celebrations at the national level, and the limitation of the "month" that accompanied the Conference to celebrations "on a non-extravagant and non-competitive scale" for which the host country should assume administrative and financial responsibility. Approval in principle for strictly limited co-operation by the Secretariat was also given, but the Conference was emphatic that the staff and funds available to the organization should not be diverted from vastly more important programme activities.

### EVALUATION

We have in the course of this report already indicated our attitude towards those aspects of UNESCO and its programme of which