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3059. Economic Development: The United Nations and Business Partnership

Under the above title, Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, Managing Director of the United Nations Special Fund, addressed the International Chamber of Commerce in Washington, D.C. on 20 April 1959. This address is attached to the present issue of Staff News.

3060. Draft Declaration on the Rights of the Child

Attached to this issue of Staff News is a new "Draft Declaration on the Rights of the Child" formulated by the Commission on Human Rights early this month. This Draft Declaration will be considered by the Economic and Social Council at its July session in Geneva.

A "Declaration of Geneva" was adopted by the League of Nations in 1924. A new draft declaration was originally prepared in 1950 by the Social Commission, and later submitted to the Commission on Human Rights. However, work on this was suspended for several years pending the formulation of similar provisions in the draft international covenants on human rights, which are still under consideration by the General Assembly. In 1957 the Commission on Human Rights again discussed the draft Declaration on the Rights of the Child, and subsequently ECOSOC circulated the text to United Nations Member Governments asking for their comments by 1 December 1958. The present draft takes into account these comments by Governments.

3061. Statement by Secretary-General

The following excerpt from the statement by the Secretary-General to the opening meeting of the ECOSOC in Mexico City is of interest:

The nature of the development process in society requires of us an approach combining economic, social, technical and legal elements. It has been brought home to us with increasing strength that we have to deal with a complex transformation of society in which there is no place for a mechanistic or one-sided approach. The operation of some key factors may well bring about change but not the constructive development which we aim at. A balance has to be maintained among a number of relevant factors. We must avoid the fallacies both of technocracy and of behaviourism, fully realizing that technology and economic progress are sought for the benefit of man and can be bought too dearly if furthered with disregard for the facts of human psychology and the psychology of a sound life in human society which are far more subtle than textbook theories can afford to admit.

3062. Eleanor Roosevelt on Value of UNICEF

The following is an excerpt from a speech delivered by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt before the Women's Voluntary Service of the United Kingdom, at Church Hall, Westminster:

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"We feel at home that one of the best things that is being done at present is the work of our children for UNICEF, which is the Children's Fund at the United Nations. I think much of its value is because it educates our children to think of the other children in the world. Because our American children are very apt not to think very much about what happens to other children in the world. And yet they will grow up and they will have to meet the children of other areas of the world who, if they have grown up in disease and hunger and misery are not going to be easy to work with. They're not going to be people who care about a peaceful world. I think that is one of the things that our women have fostered at home which has a real value and I'm sure you are doing the same thing here."

3063. Dr. Sicault's Field Trip

Dr. Sicault's trip took him first to Madrid and to the South of Spain where he studied our programmes relative to trachoma, prematures, rehabilitation and milk plants, and then to Turkey where he studied problems related to the malaria campaign, to trachoma, school feeding and mother and child welfare programmes.

In Spain a milk distribution programme is being carried out in schools with beneficiaries of a little over 2,500,000 children, and under the aegis of CARITAS pre-school children and nursing mothers receive 4/5th of the 30,000 tons of milk sent by the United States to Spain. Compared with earlier visits to Spain dating back as far as 1929, the impression received is one of noticeable improvement in the health and nutrition status of children, even in the poorer regions in the South of Spain where living standards are relatively low.

The campaign against trachoma though of a limited area has given excellent results and confirmed the value of the "intermittent treatment."

Finally, the problem of milk conservation was discussed at length in the competent ministries. The following points were raised during these discussions: Dry milk versus liquid milk; pasteurized milk versus sterilized milk etc.; distribution of whole milk versus distribution of skimmed or partially skimmed milk or "toned" milk etc...

In Turkey, accompanied by Mr. Peyronnet, Dr. Sicault and Dr. Van de Calseyde (WHO Regional Director for Europe) met with the Minister of Health, the Minister of Finance and the Secretary of the Cabinet in order to discuss the malaria eradication campaign. It was decided, in complete agreement between the two organizations, to increase assistance to the Turkish anti-malaria campaign: WHO to provide permanent experts and UNICEF more supplies, and the Turkish Government making improvements as requested.

Furthermore, discussions were held with the Government regarding other programmes, in particular the milk conservation policy. The Minister of Health announced that the recommendations made by the FAO experts were well received and were being studied by his Government.