wealth, Foundations, as well as by the European Centre of the Carnegie
Endowment for International Peace and the League of Red Cross Societies.
The Foundations provided the greater part of the funds, which were
supplemented by contributions from the Czechoslovak and Japanese Red
Cross Societies, the German, Polish and Spanish Committees and the
American National Conference of Social Work. The League of Red Cross
Societies agreed to provide secretariat facilities. An International Organiza-
tion Committee was set up under the chairmanship of Dr. Alice
Masaryková, and national committees were formed.

The First International Conference of Social Work was held in Paris
from July 8th to 13th, 1928, in conjunction with the International
Child Welfare Congress, the International Congress on Statutory and
Voluntary Assistance and the International Housing and Town-Planning
Congress. This Social Welfare Fortnight, held under the high patronage
of the President of the French Republic and under the chairmanship
of Senator Paul Strauss, brought together some five thousand delegates.
2,481 of these, representing 42 countries, attended the Social Work
Conference, which was presided over by Dr. Masarykova. The reports
and debates were published in extenso in French and English, and
summarized in German.²

The Conference decided to transform the Organization Committee
into a Permanent Committee of the International Conferences of Social
Work, and urged the national committees to establish themselves on a
lasting basis.

The Committee and its Bureau resolved to convene the Second
Conference at Frankfort-on-Main in 1932, and entrusted Prof. W. Pollig-
keit of Frankfort and Dr. René Sand of Paris with the organization
thereof. Urgent representations were made to the national committees,
numbering about 40. The League of Red Cross Societies continued its
collaboration. The American Foundations renewed their generous support,
and subscriptions were received from 13 national committees.

An International Bulletin of Social Work was published in French,
English and German, and went to seven issues.

Despite the crisis, the Second Conference (held from July 11th
to 14th, 1932) was attended by 1,200 delegates from 34 countries.

After a reception by the Burgomaster at the Frankfort Town Hall,
where the delegates were addressed by the Minister of Labour, the Rector
of the Goethe University, Dr. Alice Masaryková (Chairman of the
Permanent Committee of the Conferences) and Colonel Draudt (Vice-
Chairman of the Board of Governors of the League of Red Cross Societies),
the Conference opened with the election of its chairman: Miss Mary
Van Kleeck, of the Russell Sage Foundation, New York.

¹ May be obtained from the League of Red Cross Societies, 2 Avenue Velas-
gue, Paris, 8e, 3 volumes, 2,466 pages. Price 50 French francs.
² For German version, apply to Prof. Polligkeit, 30 Stiftsstraße, Frankfort-
on-Main.