

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were passed at the Symposium on Psychology and Parapsychology:

I.

In the field of *general parapsychology*, the work undertaken by Mr. George Zorab, and by the International Committee for the Study of Spontaneous Paranormal Phenomena of which he is the Chairman, meets exactly with the wishes of this Conference. In taking cognizance of Mr. George Zorab's project to expand his inquiry first to France and Italy, and later to other European countries—while maintaining a close cooperation with the Committee on Methods—this Conference expresses to Mr. Zorab and his Committee its encouragement and best wishes for the useful work they hope to undertake in the coming years.

II.

Presented with the latest accomplishments in the field of *psychoanalytic parapsychology*, the Conference does not deem it necessary to formulate any special suggestions. The progress already achieved is by itself a guaranty of future advances. The Congress expresses its congratulations to the psychoanalysts and parapsychologists, and the hope that they will continue their valuable researches.

III.

The Conference feels that a special effort should be made in the field of *cultural anthropology*. It proposes that an

investigation be conducted jointly by psychologists, parapsychologists, anthropologists and physiologists in a cultural environment favorable to the occurrence and observation of psi phenomena. The Conference asks that Prof. Ernesto de Martino (Rome) and Prof. Emilio Servadio (Rome) outline the details of such a project, and it adopts the proposal made by Prof. de Martino and Prof. Servadio that this investigation be conducted among the rural population of Southern Italy.

IV.

The Conference believes that wider attention should be given to the role of *psi functions in psychological activity that is considered normal*. It believes that several theories of psychology should be reconsidered in the light of results obtained in parapsychological research. In order to initiate this necessary revision, the Conference suggests that Prof. Leon Delpech (Toulon) prepare a study on ESP in normal perception.

V.

The Conference believes that the *physiological approach to psi phenomena* has until now been regrettably neglected and that it is necessary to fill this need. It approves a project of Dr. Alain Assailly (Paris) to study, under laboratory conditions, by means of psychological and parapsychological tests, subjects who have undergone a lobotomy.

VI.

The Conference resolves that efforts should be renewed to widen contacts between psychologists, parapsychologists and physicists, with the aim of achieving a better appreciation of *possible physio-chemical factors that bear upon parapsychological phenomena*. Specifically, principles developed

in the field of physics should be explored in so far as they might apply to parapsychological phenomena; where parallels between findings in physics and parapsychology appear to exist, these should be subjected to thorough scrutiny; the impact of psychic factors, if any, on physical experiments and findings might well be approached with new methods, possibly developed jointly by physicists, psychologists, and parapsychologists.