

work of each of these technical committees ; only persons possessing special ability and expert knowledge should be appointed as members or alternates.

These committees, and parallel sub-committees to be organized within the framework of the Regional Committees for Europe and the Far East, will also formulate proposals for technical policies within their province, and will advise the Director-General, the Regional Committees and the Council.

The four leading Powers hold vital posts on the Central Committee, the Committee on Supplies, the Committee on Financial Control and on both regional Committees. The member of the Council for the United Kingdom was elected chairman of the Committee for Europe, that for China chairman of the Committee for the Far East, while the chairmanship of the Committees on Supplies and Financial Control went to the representatives of Canada and the United States respectively.

THE UNRRA OFFICE

The Council agreed that UNRRA headquarters are to be located in Washington, D.C. Regional offices will be established in London, in the Far East and possibly in Cairo.

Recognizing that the success of the Administration would depend largely upon the vision, competence, integrity and loyalty of the men and women who would become its officers and technical staff, the Council recommended that the Director, under his full executive authority, act with the greatest possible freedom in the selection of personnel.

It was decided that the staff of UNRRA should be of an international character, selected upon the basis of individual qualifications and without discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, nationality or creed, and recruited upon as wide a geographic basis as is compatible with efficient administration. National governments and international agencies are being urged to make available to the Administration such persons in their own service whom the Director-General may invite to join UNRRA's staff.