No Previous Indication

Of Nepal Happenings

SET-BACK TO DEMOCRATIC

EXPERIMENT, FEELS NEHRU

l noured.

might happen there because of the

dis-satisfaction of the King with the

As regards the visit of General

NEW DELHI, December 16.

Speaking on two adjournment mo-

experiment or practice going

Mr. Nehru said that the Indian

Army Chief of Staff, General Thi-

mayya, who was in Kathmandu yes-

were tabled by Mr. Inderjit Gupta

(Communist) and Mr. Braj Raj Singh

(Socialist) referred to the dismissal

of Nepal and called for a statemen

from the Government on the repur-

SPEAKER'S VIEW

However the Speaker said he had

Mr. Nehru at the outset objected

to the matter being brought up through

As regards the question about pre-

Government had no previous intima-

terday. The very fact that some mem-

ber had mentioned about the Indian

Ambassador not being present in the

Nepali capital at that time showed

that the Government had no such inti-

"While this is true, Mr. Nehru

not given consent to the motions.

The Speaker said normally

there has suffered a set-back".

The adjournment motions

Nehru Given Leave Introduce Bill

CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT

NEW DELHI, December 16.

A ponit of order raised by Prof. Hiren Mukerjee that the Bill was vitiated 'ab initio', because it did not comply with the requirements of Article 3 of the Constitution, was rejected by the Speaker, Mr. Ayyangar, The objection raised by Mr. Tridib Kumar Chaudhuri (RSP-West Bengal) that the Bill was vague and, therefore, it should not be introduced was rejected by the House.

CONDITIONS FULFILLED

Constitution had been fulfilled. The objection raised by Mr. Mukeriee that the West Bengal Legislative Council had not expressed its views on the quired was that the State legislatures pressmen that the views of the Coun- "we have drilled about 15 to 16 wells should be given an opportunity to cil had not been collected and, there- and out of the total foofage of drilconsider the Bill. That opportunity fore, it could not have been commuling undertaken by the Oil and Natural pen". had been given. The time given to the State legislatures to consider the Bill should expire before it was introduced in Parliament. That stipulation had also been complied with as the extended date for the West Bengal legislature to consider the Bill was December 15.

About the objection raised by Mr. Mukerjee to the date-Decomber 12- er, Mr. Nehru informed the House Bill had to be printed so that it could be circulated to members in advance. conditions laid down under Article 3 of the Constitution for the introduction of the Bill in Parliament had been complied with. The objection to the date was purely a technical one. In asmuch as the Prime Minister had agreed to correct the date, he said, there was no point of order.

POINTS OF ORDER

dhuri wanted to raise points of order. West Bengal Council also. It consi-The Deputy Speaker, Sardar Hukam dered it though it could not complete Singh, who was in the chair, ruled it because of disorder in the Country of and a statements was to be taken as correct by the House. that points of order could not be raised in a vacuum. After the Prime Minister had moved his motion asking for leave to introduce the Bill.

ed for leave to introduce the Acquir- Parliament. ed Territories Merger Bill, Mr. Mukerjee raised a point of order. He ed once or twice to answer to the used to make." Accounts would tion about all that had happened yescontended that the Bill which the point of order raised by Mr. Muker-Prime Minister sought to introduce was vitiated under the terms of the Constitution on account of "certain defaults" which had taken place.

ARTICLE REFERRED TO

Mr. Mukerjee referred to Article 168 which defined a State legislature (in certain States like West Bengal the legislature consists of two Houses) and said that as far as he knew the legislatures of Assam, the Punjab, and West Bengal had not expressed their views in regard to this Bill and he was astonished that on December | 12 such a statement (that these legislatures have expressed their views) was made by the Prime Minister. While he could not associate the Minister with prevarication, his advisers seemed to be astonishing people. It had been reported in the press that the Chairman of the West Bengal Legislative Council told reporters that he thought that the re-

On December 12, Mr. Mukerjee added, the Chief Minister of West

Unsuccessful Bid Sen, had suggested to the House that the matter should be left to the Election Commission. By Mr. Gupta

ALLEGED BREACH OF PRIVILEGES

NEW DELHI, December 16: The Communist leader, Mr. Bhupesh Gupta, unsuccessfully raised in the Rajva Sabha today what he termed a breach of privileges of the House in that the Constitution (Ninth Amendment) Bill and the Acquired Terri-House. Copies of the Bill, he said, had been circulated yesterday among the members of the Lok Sabha and Boards of Technical Education: Assam and West Bengal.

accordance with the rules. It would be circulated here today, he added. "WRONG FACTS"

Earlier, Mr. Gupta contended that the Acquired Territories Merger Bill also contained wrong facts in that the statement of objects and reasons claimed that the opinion of the West Bengal Legislature had been obtained whereas the Council had adjourned

yesterday abruptly without expressing Flourishing the copy of the Bill he asked the Chairman, "should we go about begging for copies from the members of the other House?"
Dr. Radhakrishnan: Where did you

get it? Mr. Gupta: From a member of the other House. Dr. Radhakrishnan: So you have already gone begging.—PTI.

General Insurance NEW DELHI, December 16:

non-official resolution urging nationarejected by the Lok Sabha today by trated here today against the proposavoice vote.

The resolution may and publications was sent to him on August 26, 1960. A

been debated on a non-official day a fortnight ago.-P.T.I.

Practice Of Ayurveda NADIAD. December 16: Pandit tory to Pakistan.

Shiv Sharma, chief guest at the fourth Shuddha Ayurveda Sammelan, here, today deplored the "tardy" manner in which some State Governments had behaved in the matter of the propa
M.P.s addressed them. In a memorandum presented to the M.P.s the demonstrators maintained that the transfer of Berubari would not end IndoDelicatori dispute.

The said that of an average, 200 Export of Sarees: The indian saree in the said that of an average, 200 Export of Sarees: The indian saree in the indians, Goans and others crossed the is proving popular in England, Mr. Nityanand Kanungo, Commerce Minabout Indians who had left Goa for ister, said in reply to Mr. Prakash
lindia were not being maintained sepaVir Shastri. He said that there had gation of Ayurveda, Even near-unanimous decisions re-

garding the practice of Ayurveda are illusions in any quarter that an Nehru denied that automobile parts the U.K. during the first nine months are illusions in any quarter that an Nehru denied that automobile parts the U.K. during the first nine months agreement of this nature will earn were being smuggled into China of 1960 compared to the corresponding period last year.

Friday, gave the President left of Kennedy, 34.221,355 votes, with

Bengal, Dr. B. C. Roy, was reported to have told the Legislative Assembly members in the Rajya Sabha today THE Lok Sabha today gave leave that he intended to bring the Bill to the Prime Minister, Mr. before the Council on December 13. Nehru, to introduce the Constitu- But in the statement of objects and tion (ninth amendment) Bill by reasons of the Bill dated December 12 it was stated that the legislatures The Bill seeks to give effect to the of Assam, the Punjab and West Bentransfer of certain territories to Paki- gal had expressed their views. This

stan in pursuance of the Nehru-Noon Article 3 of the Constitution, Mr. Mukerjee contended, was clear. The President had to ascertain the views of the concerned legislatures before going on". he made a recommendation to Parliament. On the face of the Bill, the President had made his recommendation. But he felt that there had to be some time-lag between the President obtaining the views of the concerned legislatures and his making a recommendation to Parliament. After referring to the views ex-

was not true, he said.

on the Bill, Mr. Mukeriee said that Mr. Nehru said that all the condi- the Chairman of the West Bengal tions laid down in Article 3 of the Legislative Council adjourned its meeting on December 14 because of purposes. pandemonium. On December 15, no proceedings took place in the Council as it was adjourned sine die. The strike of oil in Lunej in September Chairman of the Council had told 1958 and said that in two years' time, nicated to the President.

NEHRU'S REPLY

Mr. Jaipal Singh (Jharkhand-Bihar) said that he did not think that Parliament was competent to entertain the Bill unless certain conditions had been fulfilled.

Replying to questions by the Speakput in the objects of and reasons of that the Bill was originally sent to the Bill, Mr. Nehru said that he was prepared to correct it as December 16. President on October 23 and they Explaining why December 12 had were given one month's time to ex- Benches led a Congress member to been put, Mr. Nehru said that the press their views. In the case of West Bengal, some legal objections were raised and he had already informed Rejecting Mr. Mukerjee's point of the House that there was no sub- House. order, the Speaker said that all the stance in those objections. Nevertheless, the date was extended in the case of West Bengal to December 15 for expressing its views. "So far as the West Bengal Assembly is concerned, it has considered the Bill much earlier when it raised certain objections. Technically speaking, I am advised that was adequate so far as the Assembly is concerned. The President had sent the Bill to the State Before the Prime Minister asked not considered it in the proper way, Upon this, Mr. Rama Mr. Mukerjee and Mr. T. K. Chau- The matter was placed before the

The Prime Minister added that the Government had received full reports from the West Bengal Government the members might raise their points of the proceedings of the Assembly and the Council on the Bill and they had been placed in the library of far as the current year is concerned,"

jee, the Speaker rebuked him saying that it was for him (Speaker) to decide the point of order. The member, Mr. Ayyangar said, should not consider himself the "Attorney-General." At one stage when the Speaker said that he was satisfied and Mr. Tyagi need should also be satisfied. I am a mem-

Mr. Ayyangar: You must understand your limitations. The Speaker said that no irregularity had been committed in asking under the amending Bill are cotton for leave to introduce the Bill. However, he regretted that a mistake should have crept in in regard to the date.—P.T.I.

ber of the House.'

MARKING SYSTEM OF VOTING Motion Withdrawn

solution on the Acquired Territories Merger Bill had been placed before NEW DELHI, December 16: The resolution sponsored by Mr. B. the House though it did not have an Mishra seeking the abandonment of opportunity to express its opinion on the marking system of voting, pro-posed to be tried on a wide scale after the Law Minister, Mr. A. K.

> Mr. K. K. Warior (Communist) next moved his resolution proposing an increase in the rate of contribution under the Coal Mines Provident Fund Scheme from 6-1|4 per cent. to 8-1|3 per cent.

The House then adjourned till Monday.—P.T.I.

Technical Education

NEW DELHI, December 16: The drought conditions in some of tea-Estimates Committee, in its 98th report presented to the Lok Sabha today, has reiterated an earlier suggestories Merger Bill had not been cir- tion that the regional committees of culated among the members of the the All-India Council for Technical Education should be abolished, and their functions entrusted to the State had earlier been circulated among the The Government has assured the members of the legislatures of Punjab, Committee that all the necessary steps will be taken to ensure an adequate the export of jute and jute goods.

The Parliamentary Affairs Minister, supply of technical manpower in the Mr. Satyanarain Sinha, however, Third and subsequent Plan periods. pointed out that the Bill was schellt has also informed the Committee duled to be introduced in the Lok that a comprehensive legislation for Sabha only today and had been circulated there yesterday afternoon in being formulated.—P.T.I.

Sabha only today and had been circulated there yesterday afternoon in being formulated.—P.T.I.

building advance up to Rs. 4,800 in Dr. B. V. Keskar, Minister for Information and Broadcasting, told Mr. ed under the chairmanship of the

ENDING PLURAL **CONSTITUENCIES** Bill For This Session

"The Times of India" News Service NEW DELHI, December 16: A Bill, seeking to bifurcate double-member constituencies, will be introduced Parliament during the current ses-

A decision to this effect was taken at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Parliamentary Congress Party here today.

135 votes to 96.

Delhi Demonstration

hon-official resolution urging national NEW DELHI, December 16: Five addressed to him on this subject and lisation of general insurance was hundred Jan Sangh workers demon- asking him for the rectification of asking him for the rectification of The resolution, moved by Mr.
The processionists who were on their way to Parliament House were

stopped by a strong police force near Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, in a written reply to Mr. Padam Dev said that demonstrators did not attempt to 3,100 Indian nationals were "report-

Five Jan Sangh and Forward Bloc Pakistani disputes. The memorandum said: "If there

the country, were not given effect to, he said.

Pandit Shiv Sharma paid tributes to Dr. Jivraj Mehta who, he said, acted with fairness towards the system in his official capacity.

Ayub Khan's statements on Kashmir and other matters should dispel them."

Ith Prime Minister, who was answering questions, said that these things had found markets in Ceylon, Burma, or Mally could go only through Nathula Pass and it was "incredible" the U.S.A.—P.T.I.

The Prime Minister, who was answering questions, said that these things had found markets in Ceylon, Burma, Nixon. Other candidates received normally could go only through Nathula Pass and it was "incredible" the U.S.A.—P.T.I.

East Africa, Singapore, the Sudan and the U.S.A.—P.T.I.

F. Bird, of Georgia.

REFINERY IN **GUJARAT**

Minister Assures Rajya Sabha

NEW DELHI, December 16: Mr. K. D. Malaviya Minister for Oil, described as "unfair and unjustified" allegations made by two Opposition that the Government's oil exploration work in Gujarat was slow and that its policy in regard to setting up a MR. Nehru told the Lok Sabha Ministry." he said. today that while the Gov- As regards the refinery there was "equivocal." Mr. Malaviya who was speaking on a non-official resolution categorically ernment of India did not have Thimayya, Mr. Nehru said the Chief members of political parties.

said that "there will be a refinery in any previous indication of the of Army Staff had no intimation Gujarat in the public sector with a capacity of one to two million tons. have "repeated intimation from To this end preparations are already some months past" that the King of Nepal was dissatisfied with The House rejected by a voice vote the things there, and was contem-

the resolution, moved by Mr. Dahya-bhai Patel (Swatantra-Gujarat) calling bhai Patel (Swatantra-Gujarat) calling "What the action would be or bim an Honorary General in the Nefor a Parliamentary Committee to inquire into the working of oil explowhen it would be taken we did pali Army. not know", he said. ration in Gujarat. Turning down the demand for probe

by a Parliamentary Committee, Mr. Malaviya said that a "propaganda" pressed by the West Bengal Assembly had been set afoot by "interested parties" that the Government was not looking after the interests of Gujarat. This was being done for "political

Mr. Malaviya reviewed the oil exploration work in Gujarat since the Gas Commission, 70 per cent. is in Gujarat."—P.T.I.

SINDRI FACTORY Divergent Statements By Ministers

NEW DELHI, December 16: Divergent statements from the Treasury raise a point of order in the Lok that Nepal was a neighbouring coun-Sabha today as to which of the state- try and the developments there might ments was to be accepted by the have their own repurcussions on

Candhra, Deputy Minister of Com- the trouble India was having with merce and Industry, said that the China. State-owned Sindri fertiliser factory was not making a profit at the pre-Later, his senior colleague, Mr.

House wanted he would supply the and he would too willingly furnish (in Ankara)." tiar (Cong.) raising a point of order, other questions. asked the chair as to which of the

Mr. Satish Chandra replied that been taken in Nepal. "But obviously stated. whole confusion had arisen out of it is a matter of regret for all of us the current year's and previous year's that the democratic experiment or accounts of the factory. The previous practice that was going on there should year's statement had already been have suffered a set-back. That is all laid on the table of the House. "So I can say about it", he said. he said, "there are difficulties and vious intimation, Mr. Nehru said the When Mr. Mahavir Tyagi attempt- Sindri is not making the profit it come in due course.-P.T.I.

Tariff Bill Passed

NEW DELHI, December 16: The Lok Sabha today passed the Indian said, "it is also true that for some not interrupt, Mr. Tyagi retorted: "I Tariff (Amendment) Bill relating to months past we had repeated intimacontinuance or discontinuance of pro- tion that the King of Nepal was distection to certain industries on the satisfied with the things as they were advice of the Tariff Commission. will continue to receive protection

there and that he might take some Among the major industries which action. textile machinery, ball bearings, But we had certainly been feeling for bicycle and piston assembly.—P.T.I. some months past that something

"What kind of action or when it would be taken, we did not know. But we had certainly been feeling for He has gone to Bangalore. We do

Lok Sabha Questions:

Drought Affects Export Of Traditional Items

NEW DELHI, December 16.

'as good as last year's."

That, he said, was the position in spite of the fact that the export of the traditional items like tea, jute, cotton goods and oilseeds had been affected because of the drought con-

expected a shortfall of 48 million

Mr. Satish Chandra, who was replying to Mr. P. C. Borooah, howexports this year would not be proconstantly to find new markets for

Mr. Satish Chandra told Mr. Inderiit Gupta that efforts were being made Some new markets had been established in Africa. House-building Advance: Central

calculated on the basis of 24 months' Kalika Singh, pay is less than that sum. A decision to this effect on the pasis of the recommendation of the Pay Commission, has been

taken, Mr. A. K. Chanda, Deputy Minister for Works, Housing and Supply, told Mr. Tangamani.

The advance would be paid provided the entire amount plus the interest thereon could be recovered partly by convenient monthly instalments from the salary of a Central Government employee and partly from any gratuity that might be admissible to

U. N. Map of Kashmir: No reply had yet been received from the Unit-The proposal to abolish the plural ed Nations Secretariat regarding the constituencies was taken at a general wrong delineation of Kashmir's posimeeting of the Party last week by tion on the U.N. map, Mr. Sadath Ali Khan, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for External Affairs, told Mr. Ram Krishan Gupta.

He said that a further self-contained letter, inviting the Secretary-General's "The Times of India" News Service attention to earlier communications addressed to him on this subject and sent to him on August 26, 1960. A reply was still awaited.

Indian Nationals In Goa: The 3,100 Indian nationals were "reportbreak the police cordon. They shouted slogans criticising the Government He said that since the closure of the for the decision to transfer the terri- Indian Consulate in Goa in 1954, no accurate statistics were available. He said that on an average, 200

Alleged Smuggling Into China; Mr. port of cotton sarces from India to

could be sent through such a narrow

during the next general elections, was withdrawn in the Lok Sabha today Minister of Commerce and In
MR. Satish Chandra, Deputy Earlier, Mrs. Lakshmi Menon, Dewithdrawn in the Lok Sabha today Minister of Commerce and In
puty Minister for External Affairs, when asked dustry, said in the Lok Sabha to- replied in the negative when asked day that the value of India's ex- by Mr. S. N. Mahanty whether an ports this year was expected to be official of a foreign firm recently visited India to investigate the visited India to investigate into the alleged smuggling of hundreds of automobiles into China through In-

Forgeries in Passports: Forgeries in passports have been practically checked by the various steps taker by the Government, Mr. Nehru told As regards tea, the target of export Mr. H. N. Mukherjee in a written this year was 480 million pounds, but reply. Among the steps was the init was not likely to be achieved. He troduction of "clearance certificates." For preventing semi-literate and pounds in tea exports because of the lilliterate persons from going to the United Kingdom and the West European countries, instructions had been

issued by the Government of India that they should apply for clearance ever, indicated that the value of tea certificates to the regional passport offices 15 days before their date of portionately affected because tea prices departure in order to enable the were better this year than last year, checkposts to verify the genuineness of their passports. The situation had been reviewed recently and these ins- ing.

tructions had been withdrawn. New Chinese Broadcasting Service: In addition to the two existing transmissions, the People's China started a new

English and Hindi Asked whether India also broadcast news and other features for listeners in China in Chinese language, Dr. Keskar replied in the affirmative. News and other programmes were broadcast for Chinese listeners in

Cantonese and Kuoyu. Poona Film Institute: Dr. Keskar told Mr. P. C. Barooah that it was proposed to start refresher courses in the Film Institute of India at Poona in March, 1961, for persons already working in the film industry. Regular

courses would start from June or Precision Instruments Project: project for the manufacture of precision instruments has been included in the list of projects to be implemented with the assistance of the ,500-million-rouble credit extended

purpose of collaboration in the construction of different projects during the Third Five-Year Plan. The scope of this project, its location and other details are being worked out. This was stated by the Minister for Industry, Mr. Manubhai Shah, in reply to Mr. Kunhan. Industrial Design Institute: Foreign consultants who went into the ques-

tion of the establishment of an institute of industrial design have recom-mended that it should be located at Ahmedabad, Mr. Manubhai Shah told Mr. Ram Krishan Gupta. Export of Sarees: The Indian saree been a substantial increase in the ex-

official resolution, urging the removal of the restrictions on the employees of Government and semi-Government bodies, debarring them from becoming The State Chief Minister, Mr. Y.

latest events in Nepal, they did either that these things were going to A week of ten days ago, India was approached by the Nepal Government (Samiti), had demonstrated lack of expressing the desire of King Mahendra to honour General Thimayya, by one political party in an ideal State a decoration as well as by appointing of his conception. restrictions on civil liberties in view

In accordance with the usual pract of the "rapidly-expanding public sectice, the Government of India had tor in the country which tended to tions brought up by Opposition told the Nepal Government that it prevent more persons from becoming members, Mr. Nehru said while it did not approve of the decoration members of political parties." was not for him to criticise the ac- being given to any Indian officer by CONDITIONS NOT RIPE tion taken by the King of Nepal, a foreign Government. But it had no "obviously, it is a matter of regret objection to the General being made Opposing the resolution in a forth-

for all of us that the democratic an Honorary General of the Nepali right speech, Mr. Chavan said that on Army as one of his predecessors— while he would concede, in principle, General Cariappa—had been so ho—the right for a large number of people The ceremony at which the King invested the General with the hono-

> General Thimayya was rather caught Government and semi-Government bodies to enjoy this right. unawares by the developments. INDIAN ENVOY TO NEPAL said, it was the responsibility of the When Mr. Braj Raj Singh suggest-

of the Koirala Ministry by the King ed that the General should decline the honour in view of the King's action ending the democratic experi- It was not enough to provide a just cussions of the developments on ment in Nepal, Mr. Nehru remarked administration. that the honour had already been conferred on him three days ago. Mr. Joachim Alva (Cong.) said while he did not want to blame the presupposed the willing acceptance by its control. would not have brought the motion Prime Minister or the Indian diplo- the people of the need for give-andmat abroad for events in foreign take. Thus, in a democracy, none ing before the Supreme Court regardbefore the House, but for the fact countries, he could not help feeling could aspire to be a Minister and a ing the Government notification, fixthat there was a "striking similarity" Government servant simultaneously ing minimum wages for bidi workers. between the absence of the Indian One position had to be sacrified for The lower courts were not prepared ed today. The session began on Nov-Ambassador from Khatmandu and the other. If this were not so, things to proceed with the workers' cases India, particularly because it was on Replying to a question, Mr. Satish the northern border and because of the absence of the Indian diplomat would come to a sorry pass with before the Supreme Court decision was from Ankara during the coup d'etat | High Court Judges seeking election available.

referring to incidents which had no cal activities. relation to facts. The Indian Ambassador to Turkey was actually with Manubhai Shah, told the House, in an adjournment motion. If members him (Mr. Nehru) in Constantinople by no means, insignificant, as the reply to another question, that Sindri were anxious to elicit any information, at that time. He had not gone away, right to rule stemmed from the right had been making a profit and if the they had only to give a day's notice "It was a continuing process there to vote.

all that he possessed. The procedure As regards Nepal, the Indian Am-Upon this, Mr. Ramanathan Chet- for this was through short-notice or bassador had not gone far away from the capital. "It only shows he (the controversial sections of the Kerala bay, Poona and Nagpur, Coming to the contents of the motions, Mr. Nehru said it was not for him to criticise the actions that had him to criticise the actions that had concerned did not know," Mr. Nehru said in Nehru said in Nehru said in Nehru said in Nehru said it was not for him to criticise the actions that had concerned did not know," Mr. Nehru said in Nehru said in Nehru said it was not for just as any of the (Nepali) Ministers opinion, was rejected by 63 votes to opinion, was rejected by 63 votes to so that the Government had appointed issued on Friday.

PRINCE OF BHAJANG

Earlier, at question time, Mr. Hem Barua (PSP) asked the Prime Minister whether the recent "pocket revolt" in the State of Bhajang in Western Nepal was part of the pre-sent coup through which "the kingship is trying to rehabilitate itself. If that was so, he wanted to know whether the Government of India, by allowing the Prince Omjung of Bhaiang to come to India, was not supporting reactionary forces. Mr. Nehru said, "the hon'ble mem-

ber in the course of one long sentence has made a number of insinuations about our Government and possibly about some others in Nepal. We have nothing to do with these matters except that the Prince came to India. He does not require any special passport to come here and we did not issue any orders to stop him. not know who sent him here, how he came and for what purpose."—

CALL TO PUBLIC TO **CONTRIBUTE**

Edwina Memorial Fund

By A Staff Reporter

The Governor of Maharashtra, Mr. Sri Prakasa, appealed to the people on Friday to generously contribute to the Edwina Mountbatten Memorial Fund which would be utilised for so-

cial welfare work. Presiding over a meeting of prominent citizens organised by the Regional Committee of the Edwina Mountbatten Memorial Fund Committee in Bombay, the Governor paid glowing tribute to Lady Mountbatten. He said that the fund would be utilised for welfare work which was so dear to her and her memory would be "cherished by future gen-

The names of some office-bearers of the Executive Committee with the Governor as patron, Lady Jashedji Duggan as Chairman, Mrs. Queenie H. C. Captain and Mr. E. Parker (Vice-Chairmen), Mrs. Bekkevold (as representative of the British Women's Association), Mr. Pratapsingh Mathuradas (Honorary Treasurer), Mrs. M. J. B. Maneckji (Honorary Secretary) and Commandant-General M. J. B. Maneckji were announced at the meet-

Lady Duggan and Mr. Parker explained the purpose of starting the fund. It was explained that a central committee had been formed in London broadcasting for Commonwealth countries. In In-Government employees may get house- service, especially directed to India, dia the Edwina Mountbatten Memocases where the amount of the advance mation and Broadcasting, told Mr. ed under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru. programmes funds raised in India would be utilis ed in the country itself. It would promote welfare work for women and children and help the nursing pro-

MOUNTAINEERING INSTITUTE

Passing-out Parade

DARJEELING, December 16: The passing-out parade of the Himalayan Mountaineering Institute was held here yesterday. Lieut-Gen. Sir Harold Williams, Director of the Central Building Research Institute in Roorkee, presented awards to the success-Twenty-four students were present

ed the silver ice axe, emblem of the by the Soviet Government for the Institute, indicating that they had successfully accomplished the basic initiation up to 20,000 feet. Among the recipients were a doctor, a pilot, Army, Navy and Air Force officers and sherpas. They were drawn from all over the country. Four students were presented the Institute Badge on their graduation for advanced mountaineering technique, leadership and organisational abilities. Two women were initiated into the

basic course, a niece of Tensing Norgay, Doma, and Miss Aditi Pant, daughter of the Political Officer of Sikkim. Miss Pant climbed the Frey Peak at the first attempt—the second occasion when the peak has been The final count of votes in the U.S.

Govt. Servants & School Grants Code To Political Parties

COUNCIL REJECTS PRIVATE MOVE

The Times of India" News Service NAGPUR, December 16: The Maharashtra Legislative Conneil today rejected by a voice vote a non-

B. Chavan, described the resolution as mover himself, Mr. V. G. Phatak faith in the existence of more than Mr. Phatak urged the removal of

associating themselves with the rapidly-expanding socio-economic activities in the public sector, he would subterday "had no intimation either rary generalship had taken place two mit that conditions in India were not that these things were going to hap- days ago and a day or two later, yet ripe to permit the employees of In a democratic set-up Mr. Chavan

> administration to create confidence in the State Labour Minister, Mr. Shanthe people that those running the tilal Shah, had pointed out that all administrative machinery were impartial and above party considerations. WILLING ACCEPTANCE Mr. Chavan said that democracy

to legislatures and Government officers Mr. Nehru said the member was endeavouring to participate in politi- resolution and his supporters to await Mr. Chavan added that the Gov-

ernment servant's right to vote was, A Communist motion, urging the single law to govern the three Muni-

circulation of the Bill, amending the

APPOINTMENT OF REVIEW BODY PROPOSED

State Legislative Council today.

to the provisions of the code.

BIDI WORKERS WAGES

Mr. P. S. Dhok (Samiti) also with-

ernment to devise a suitable machinery

for bidi workers in Vidarbha after

possible remedies, both civil and cri-

Mr. Shah said that, while the Gov-

ernment sympathised with the plight

of the workers, it found itself in a

quandary as it was unable to take

He explained that a case was pend-

He appealed to the mover of the

the Supreme Court's judgment, in the

light of which the Government could

withdrawn today, was moved by Mr.

H. B. Bhide (Samiti), who wanted to

set up a committee for preparing a

review its notification.

The third non-official

any further steps for reasons beyond

minal, were provided in the law.

Be Revised

"The Times of India" News Service NAGPUR. December 16. 14 committee to consider this question

and it had recommended against a COMMITTEE to review and unified law for the administration of A revise the grants-in-aid code these three cites. rules relating to secondary schools. The Council unanimously adopted "unworthy of consideration" as the in Maharashtra will be appointed resolution, moved by Mr. G. N. Koli

(PSP), which recommended immediate The Education Minister, Mr. D. S. measures, including an amendment of Desai, made the announcement in the the existing laws, if necessary, to prevent a recurrence of explosions like He said, that the committee would the one in Bazar Gate Street in Bomstudy the provisions of the code with bay on November 18. Mr. M. Harris (PSP), who supported a view to removing the defects, if any, and recommend any changes and or the resolution, said that the time had

additions it might consider necessary, come to control the storage of explo-Mr. Desai was speaking on a nonsive material in a different way than official resolution by Mr. D. V. Desh- the present one. In no case should pande (Samiti), who wanted the Gov- anyone be allowed in future to store ernment to bring forward suitable legissuch material in a residential locality. While he complimented the Bombav lation in order to give statutory status Police Commissioner for calling on the Mr. Deshpande withdrew his resolu- people to give information about the tion in the light of the Minister's storage of such material, Mr. Harris felt that the Government should ask the people to declare the stocks of such materials. He suggested that the municipal authorities, the Port Trust and the Government should get togedrew his resolution, asking the Govther to review the existing safeguards in the light of the tragic loss of lives to ensure the regular payment of wages in explosions.

> He also pointed out that the Municipal Corporation of Bombay had passed a similar resolution unanimous-The Council adopted the resolution

> after Mr. Palaspagar had associated himself with the sentiments expressed

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ter session of both Houses of the ember 10.

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