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# More Subjects Added To Union List

## CENTRAL CONTROL OF SPECIAL INDUSTRIES

NEW DELHI, August 31. THE Constituent Assembly today adopted 24 more entries in the Union list (sphere allotted exclusively to the Centre).

Among the subjects which the House decided today to place within the sole jurisdiction of the Union Government were industries the Central control of which was declared by Parliament by law to be expedient in the public interest.

Another entry approved by the House authorised the Union to establish quality standards for goods to be exported abroad and between one State and another within the Union.

An important decision taken by the House was to transfer the power of sanctioning cinematograph films for exhibition from the concurrent (Joint Union and State) to the Union list. One of the objects of doing so, in the words of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Chairman of the Drafting Committee, "is to prevent injury being done to any film producer whose film might not be sanctioned by any particular province by reason of some idiosyncrasy or by reason of some standards which are of an extraordinary character and do not conform to the general standards which ought to prevail".

The President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, appealed to the House to "go a bit faster" and complete consideration of the Union, Concurrent and State lists tomorrow.

**ENTRIES ADOPTED**

The House adopted the following entries:-

54. Jurisdiction and powers of all courts, other than the Supreme Court, with respect to any of the matters in this List.

55. Census.

56. Inquiries, surveys and statistics for the purposes of any of the matters in this List.

57. Union agencies and Union institutions for the following purposes, that is to say, for research, for professional, vocational or technical training, for scientific or technical assistance in the investigation or detection of crime, for the training of police officers, or for the promotion of special studies.

### STANDARDS IN EDUCATION

#### Centre's Co-ordination

Dr. Ambedkar moved a new entry (57 A) which sought to place on the Union list co-ordination and determination of standards in institutions for higher education, scientific and technical institutions and institutions for research.

Dr. Ambedkar explained that entry 57-A was merely complementary to the earlier entry 57.

Mr. V. S. Sarwate (Madhyabharat) wanted that either the new entry should be entirely deleted or at least the words "promotion by financial assistance or otherwise" should be substituted for the words "co-ordination and determination".

Mr. Sarwate contended that if the entry as proposed by Dr. Ambedkar was accepted it would be an unnecessary interference in the provincial sphere of education. The Centre even without that entry would have sufficient authority to encourage institutions in the provinces to keep up standards.

Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh (Central Provinces) opposed 57 A and supported Mr. Sarwate's arguments. He said that the entry as it stood would interfere with the autonomous powers which had been given to the provinces.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

Dr. Ambedkar replied that the question of financial assistance had been provided for in Articles 255 and 262 and hence there was no need to include it in the Union list. He felt that uniformity of standards was quite necessary. The Centre and Provinces in recruitment for the services were merely asking for candidates who were graduates and, therefore, certain minimum standards would have to be laid down. Similarly research and scientific institutions could not be allowed to lower the normal standards.

"In my opinion," Dr. Ambedkar said, "it is a very important and salutary provision in view of the tendency of many provinces to start research institutes and universities or reduce their standards to give the impression that they are doing much for research and education".

Dr. Ambedkar moved an amended entry 58 relating to Union Public Services, All-India Services and the Union Public Service Commission.

Dr. Punjabrao Deshmukh sought to delete the words "All-India Services", while Mr. H. V. Kamath wanted to bring within the scope of the entry joint public service commissions also.

Dr. Ambedkar explained that All-India Services had previously been within the scope of the Secretary of State. They had now to be provided for somewhere and it was better that it was in the Union list.

Dr. Ambedkar opposed Mr. Kamath's amendment and said that the scope of the Union regarding joint Public Service Commissions was very limited, namely its constitution and appointment of members in all other respects it was a provincial subject and it was not desirable to oust the jurisdiction of the provinces.

Dr. Deshmukh's amendment was withdrawn and Mr. Kamath's was rejected. The House adopted entry 58.

**ANCIENT RECORDS & MONUMENTS Maintenance By Centre**

Entry 59 dealing with industrial disputes concerning Union employees, was passed without discussion.

The House adopted a substitute Entry 60, which relates to ancient and historical monuments and records declared by Parliament by law to be of national importance.

Dr. Ambedkar said that "archaeological sites and remains", which were included in the original entry, were proposed to be transferred to the Concurrent list.

Entry 61, which refers to the establishment of standards of weights and measures, was also passed by the House without discussion.

Dr. Ambedkar moved a new entry, 61-A, to the effect that establishment of standards of quality for goods to be exported across the customs frontier or transported from one State to another should also be under the jurisdiction of the Centre.

# U. S. TRIBUTE TO GEN. CARIAPPA

## Outstanding Services Recalled

NEW DELHI, August 31: In the presence of a distinguished gathering of ministers, Government officials, representatives of the armed forces of India and of the United States, General K. M. Cariappa was decorated this morning with the Legion of Merit, degree of Chief Commander, by the American Ambassador, Mr. Loy W. Henderson, personally representing the President of the United States.

The citation, signed by Mr. Truman, President of the United States, which was read by Colonel John W. Middleton, Army Attache, of the American Embassy in India, on behalf of the Secretary of the Army, is as follows:-

"The President of the United States of America, authorised by Act of Congress July 20, 1942, has awarded the Legion of Merit, Degree of Chief Commander, to General K. M. Cariappa, Indian Army, General Cariappa displayed exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services during the war years, and during the difficult post-war years immediately thereafter.

"General Cariappa served, with great distinction, in positions of responsibility with the Allied forces during the war years 1941-1945, in the Middle East, Burma and India. Thereafter, his inspired leadership in the Indian Army, during a difficult period of readjustment from 1945 to 1949, has been in accordance with the highest military traditions."

**INDIAN STUDENTS INVITED TO U. S. Newspaper's Gesture**

NEW DELHI, August 30: The New York Herald Tribune have extended an invitation to India to send two high school students, a boy and a girl, to the U.S.A. at the end of this year for a ten-week visit, and to represent India at the New York Herald Tribune Forum for High Schools in March 1950. While in the U.S.A. the students will be the guests of high school students and will participate in supervised school and community activities.

The Government of India have accepted the offer and have agreed to select the two students. Selection will be made by means of a 1,500-word essay contest to be held in all high schools in India on September 15, 1949. The subject of the essay will be announced at the time of the contest.

The contest will be open to candidates who are not more than 18 years and not less than 15 years of age on September 1, 1949 and to students studying in recognised high or higher secondary schools. Only students of the Dominion of India by birth will be allowed to participate.

# REPORTED STATEMENT BY LATE SHOE BULLAH

## Evidence In Trial Of Kasim Razvi

HYDERABAD (Dn.), August 31: A statement that Shoeullah Khan had told him that Razakars had asked him and that they would "finish" him was made by Mr. Shyamunder Gunty, a neighbour of Shoeullah Khan, in his evidence before the Special Tribunal trying Syed Kasim Razvi, today.

Continuing his evidence Moulvi, a "punch", stated in cross-examination that he was an employee in the Government Central Training Workshop in Kachiguda.

Being called to the police station at the time of the recovery of a sword from the store room at the Yakutpura police station, he went there at 10 a.m. and returned at 1 p.m.

The Police Inspector and accused Mohsin Raza were already in the police station when he reached there. A police constable took out a number of swords from the store room on the orders of the Inspector, and Mohsin Raza saw the swords and picked up one of them. The swords brought out did not look alike. He and another "punch" signed the "panchnama" after the Inspector had read it over to them.

The next witness, a retired Head Constable described in detail the procedure of receiving surrendered arms. He identified a note book as the one he had maintained at the Yakutpura police station.

Witness also identified a receipt for arms as having been in his own handwriting, and pointed out the corresponding entry in the note book. The entry showed that Mohammed Isak Sahib of old Malakpet had surrendered three swords and one spear on October 3, 1948.

Cross-examined by Mr. Dawood Khan, counsel for accused 2 and 3, witness stated that hundreds of curved swords had been surrendered to him, but they had different types of handles.

**NEIGHBOUR'S EVIDENCE**

Mr. Shyamunder Gunty, the third witness of the day, deposed that Shoeullah Khan was his neighbour and tenant. On the night of August 21/22 last year witness woke up on hearing "an explosive sound" and he heard a cry in Urdu, "mare ko mat maro bhai" (do not kill me brother), from the direction of Shoeullah Khan's house.

He then went to the balcony of his house, and from there, saw a group of five or six people under a tree near Shoeullah Khan's house. He also saw two people running from Shoeullah Khan's house towards Lingampalli cross roads. One of them was carrying a sword in his hand.

Finding that the ambulance, for which he had sent a young man had not arrived, witness drove in his car along with Isak Belg to Sultan Bazar head police station, and having telephoned for the ambulance from there, returned to Shoeullah Khan's house. He then found that the bodies of Shoeullah Khan and Mahomed Ismail Khan had been taken inside the compound of Shoeullah Khan's house.

When witness went near Shoeullah Khan's cot the latter called him by name and said: "Guntay Sahab, you remain with me. Razakars have assaulted me and they will finish me."

Mr. Gunty stated, he assured Shoeullah Khan repeatedly, "you do not know, somehow or other, they will finish me." Shoeullah Khan asked witness to inform two of his friends, Mr. Ramkishan Dooth, and Dr. Rup Karan.

After some time the ambulance arrived, and as Shoeullah Khan was being transferred into the vehicle he exclaimed, "O God, my hands are cut!" Shoeullah Khan, witness said, tried to lift his hand and witness saw only the stump rising.

Cross-examined by Mr. Dawood Khan, defence counsel, witness said he did not ask Shoeullah Khan to give names of the Razakars who had attacked him. He did not also ask Shoeullah Khan if he had recognised any of his assailants. Police made enquiries of witness a week after the incident.

# "Form Central Art Advisory Board"

## RECOMMENDATION OF ALL-INDIA BODY

CALCUTTA, August 30: The All-India Conference of Arts, which concluded its session here today recommended the formation of a Central Advisory Board of Art to advise the Government on all matters of art and to promote its activities in the country.

India's Education Minister, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, being busy elsewhere, Mr. Justice Rama Prasad Mookherjee and Mr. Harendra Nath Roy Choudhury, Education Minister of West Bengal, presided over the morning and afternoon sittings, respectively.

The conference expressed the opinion that the personnel of the Board should have a majority of practicing artists, adequately representative of the various regional art interests in the country. A small committee consisting of artists, art critics and a representative of the Ministry of Education has been set up to draw up a constitution of the proposed Board.

**ART GALLERIES**

The conference also recommended the establishment of new and well organised museums and art galleries in larger numbers at different places in the country. It urged upon the Government of India to take steps to train curators and gallery assistants. It also favoured the setting up of travelling museums to bring the wealth of India's museums within the reach of the common people.

Dr. Tara Chand, Secretary, Ministry of Education, Government of India, welcomed the suggestions and hoped that financial resources permitting, it would be possible to have a National Museum in New Delhi before long.

The conference recommended that a survey of all objects of Indian art, which had gone out of India during the last 200 years, be undertaken immediately and a fully documented list of such objects for the use of Indian students of art be prepared.

Among the artists and art critics who participated in the discussions were: D. R. Roy Choudhury, J. K. Hasker, P. Ganguly, R. N. Chakravarty and Dr. J. Cousins.

**ABDUCTED WOMEN'S RECOVERY**

**Pakistan's 'Slow' Progress**

NEW DELHI, August 31: Ten thousand nine hundred and nineteen Muslim women and children were recovered in the Indian Union as against 5,801 non-Muslim women and children in Pakistan territory up to the end of May, 1949, according to figures available here with the Government of India.

During the seven months up to July, 1948, non-Muslim women and children recovered in Pakistan territory numbered 5,510. In the subsequent nine months, only 265 recoveries were registered.

It is stated that there are over 40,000 names on the missing list of the Enquiry and Search Service Organisation of the Government of India. According to an official review, recovery from Pakistan in the past few months has been "very slow".

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