modern shades or colourful two-

tone combinations. Glamorous

creations in diamante and bro-

cade for evening wear.

Pick of the Season

Chosen with care from the

fashion centres of the world,

these elegant beauties are pre-

sented with pride. Exquisite styles—finest leather. In gay,

# "We Will No More Look To London"

#### ON FRAMING NEHRU INDIA'S CONSTITUTION

BENARES, December 15.

**RATIFICATION BY** 

**PARLIAMENT** 

**Necessary Condition** 

India was again prominent in offi-

cial circles in London today after

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru's Benares

declaration, "We have stopped looking to London."

Official sources here today declin-

ed to comment on Pandit Nehru's

the clarification which will probably come later in the day in the House

An informed source, however,

said that it could be taken for

granted that, until further deve-

lopments, the British Government

would stand firm on its December 6

sembly's decision would be accept-

When the Constitution is drafted it

said: "Until that ratification, the ad-

ministration of India remains in Bri-

India's new Constitution is written

PROGRESSIVE GROUP

ANNUAL SOCIAL

Proceeds For Charity

The proceeds of the function were ear-

marked for the Dr. Fali Moos Memorial

Fund, the Harijan Amenities Fund and

the Dr. Bacha Memorial Fund. Dr. M.

and Mr. F. F. Talyarkhan, voiced per-

sonal appeals for generous support on

tively. Mrs. Talyarkhan said that the

2,40,000 of which Rs. 1,70,000 had already

Dancing was interrupted for a series

of entertaining cabaret and Indian song

and dance items and the evening's col-

lection was further increased by an auc-

tion conducted by Mr. H. J. H. Talyar-

On Coming Struggle

BENARES, December 15: "I really

"The difficulties that you have to

University today.

face hereafter,'

Dr. Prasad add-

ed, "will be of a

all

constructive

i m a gination.

all

we can muster

When the con-

vocation began,

for fulfilling a great task. After

different

strength

kind.

the

the Vice-Chancellor, Sir Sarvapall

Radhakrishnan, read a few verses from

the "Bhagwat Gita," and there was two

minutes' silence to mourn the death of

ADDRESS IN HINDI

For the first time in the 30 years'

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya.

that

BENARES 'VARSITY CONVOCATION

feel that the times ahead are perhaps Pandit Nehru stressed the necessity

most difficult, because we have to go for receiving the right type of training

through a struggle," said Dr. Rajen- to shoulder the burden of India to-dra Prasad, Food Member in the Inte- morrow. The time was fast approach-

cation address of the Benares Hindu number of first rate men.

Dr. R. Prasad.

khan, President of the Group.

target for a T.B. hospital was Rs.

and approved."—A.P.A.

decision—the Constituent

and the League, took part.

of Lords.

future. We have not yet attained to undertake that task next spring.

LONDON, December 16.

WHETHER Britain accepted it or not, the form of constitution that the Constituent Assembly would evolve would become the constitution of free India, declared Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, addressing 100,000 people gathered on the Town Hall grounds

"We have now stopped looking to London. We have advanced far on the path of freedom that it is not possible for us to retrieve." he added.

"We know there are differences among us, but we shall settle them ourselves; we cannot and will not tolerate any outside interference." Pandit Nehru added that India's relations with Britain henceforth would depend on how the British acted at present.

Pandit Nehru added: be friendly all countries of the world even with Britain, but only if Britain did not put hindrances in our march towards complete freedom. We want to forget British misdeeds of the past. If British behaviour towards India at present improves, Britain would reap favourable results, but if their behaviour remained bad Britain could not expect good results.

Pandit Nehru continued that India's honour had risen in the estimation of the nations of the world. That was clear from India's grand success at the United Nations Organisation in her case against South Africa. India was establishing connections with many other nations by sending Ambassadors. India was going to occupy a high place in the

have achieved it completely. "PAKISTAN NOT SOLUTION"

our freedom. We should, therefore,

not slacken our efforts until we

Pandit Nehru declared that Pakistan was not the right solution tish hands under the Act of 1935, of the Indian problem as millions which will remain in force until of Hindus and Muslims would have to live in Pakistan and Hindustan without any rights of citizenship. Moreover the communal problem would remain still unsolved. He ridiculed the idea of exchange of population on such a scale.—A.P.I.

#### **Constitution Club**

NEW DELHI, December 14: Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru opened this evening "the Constitution Club" meant mainly Bombay, on Monday, to meet the Pro-for he use of the members of the gressive Group Annual Charity Social, Constituent Assembly and others, one of the season's glittering successes Pandit Nehru said that the club would and the equal of any of those of the be managed by the Indian Council of past. World Affairs and that a house committee had been appointed to frame rules and regulations of the club. The membership of the club would also be open to the members of the Central D. D. Gilder commended them to the Legislatures, and the Indian Council of gathering as "free charities worthy of World Affairs was arranging classes support," and Mrs. Lilavati Munshi for the teaching of foreign languages such as Russian Japanese and Chi-The club would also provide a behalf of the Harijan Amenities Fund meeting place for the members of the and the Moos Memorial Fund, respec-Constituent Assembly and the representatives of foreign Governments who are in Delhi or who may visit in the near future.—A. P. I.

#### WORLD BANK Three Candidates Refuse Chiefship

WASHINGTON, December 15. A position worth 30,000 dollars (£7,500) tax-free per year is virtually going a begging here. It is the post of successor to the retiring President of the International Bank for Dr. Rajendra Prasad

Reconstruction and Rehabilitation. Reconstruction and Rehabilitation.

Three men have so far turned down the proferred job, the first and favourite candidate of both Britain and the United States was Mr. Graham F. Towers of the Bank of Canada, who decline the post yes-

The United States Government, seeking to keep the post in American hands, is also understood to have approached Mr. William L. Clayton, Under-Secretary of State and Mr. Averell Harriman, Secretary of Commerce, but both refused because they were already carrying out tasks of equal, if not greater,

The matter is now becoming urgent because the present occupant of the post Mr. Eugene Meyer is due to leave it on Wednesday and the Bank is in danger of being left without leader in the midst of preparing its first loans and floatation of bond

Private American bankers are also all, the removal known to have been approached, but | of foreign rule there is general unwillingness to ac- is not all cept the post in an organisation we need. which has already aroused some hostility among bank interests, a hostility which is making the issue of securities by banks a difficult task.-

# LATE NEWS

PANDIT NEHRU ALLAHABAD, December 16: Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Vice-President of the Interim Government accompanied cient Indian History and Culture. by Miss Mridula Sarabhai arrived here by plane this evening from Calcutta .-

SIR S. CRIPPS'S VIEWS CRITICISED

criticising Sir Stafford Cripps's speech in Parliament, Master Tara Singh, the Akali leader, in an interview with the teast 30 years, Hindi literature me today said: "Though the situation has grown worse for the Sikhs, turned now in order to achieve our end by constitutional methods, turned now in order to achieve our end by constitutional methods, turned now the Congress tries to get us out of this difficulty."

LONDON'S COLDEST DAY
LONDON'S COLDEST DAY
LONDON December 16: Shivering in the grip of icy winds, Sritons today faced their coldest day for nearly a speech in the last so printed in medicine and to Prof. Sir Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar, Director of the scale plants of pay and better leave facilities. It so ment in the methor is chemistry. He said the high-level water tank of the military, known as the Vizagapatam, presented to the University the high-level water tank of the military, known as the Vizagapatam, presented to the staff of the Empire of India Life Assurance Company in the city, numbering about 260, continued on Monday. The findients were reported from Bongri, Pydhoni, Byculla, Institute, New Delhi, for eminent in chemistry.

The Brigadler, Southern Area Command, Vizagapatam, presented to the University the high-level water tank of the military, known as the Vicagapatam, presented to the staff of the Empire of India Life Assurance Company in the city, numbering about 260, continued on Monday. The findients were reported from Byculla and delivered in Hindi.

Scientific and Industrial Research in the mistry.

The Brigadler, Southern Area Command Industrial Research to the decision of the University the high-level water tank of the employees intend approaching Government with a view to a settle-ment on the ment of the text-books in almost all subjects in the Hindi language, and if there were subjects on which Hindi language and the trank of the military, known as the Vicagapatam, presented to the University is surface Company in the city, number in the military, known as the Vicagapatam, presented

faced their coldest day for nearly a year, with the biggest electric, fuel and powers cut yet made. At breakfast time officials of power stations were ordered to "shed load" and all England and Wales was affected for

40 minutes.-Reuter. BRITISH BACON RATION CUT LONDON, December 16: A cut in British bacon ration from three ounces to two each person a week was announced in the House of Commons today by the Food Minister. Mr. John Strachey. The reduction begins on

January 5.—Reuter.

# NEW ATTACK ON EVEREST



Group Capt. A. F. Bandit, an Australian, who is planning to lead an expedition to Mount Ever est in 1949, has arrived in India, after a solo flight from Britain, on his way to Australia. Here he is seen with his monoplane at a British aerodrome during last-minute preparations for his 13,000-mile flight.

## M. Blum Fails To Form Cabinet

#### speech. They preferred to wait for NO GOVERNMENT OF ALL PARTIES

PARIS, December 16. M. Leon Blum, France's 74-year-old Premier, has failed to form an allparty French Cabinet after four days of intensive consultation. He will probably select an all-Socialist administration by tonight, quarters able if both parties, the Congress close to him announced today.

According to the Daily Telegraph Later, diplomatic sources pointed and The Times of India correspondout that the adoption of the Nehru ent, the point of view of Popular comity of nations. But with the ad-vance. India's responsibility had resolution would not, in itself, take also increased. We should think of India out of the Empire. These been given a mandate by the Asour problems now with a cool mind. sources said that, first, an Indian sembly to form a national Govern-By entangling ourselves today in Constitution must be adopted. The ment from the extreme left to modequarrels we should not destroy our Constituent Assembly is scheduled rate conservatives. There is no reason, they state, why they should make concessions to the Communists who now demand a four-party Govment for ratification. These sources ernment without the moderate con-

M. Herriot's Radical Party is of the same opinion as the Popular Repub-

The Communists are also insisting on retaining all portfolios which they hold in the Bidault Cabinet and on having the Ministries of War and Agriculture. Other parties are not prepared to make these concessions which they consider would give the Communists undue in-Radicals and Popular Republicans

want M. Moutet, Socialist Minister for Overseas Territory, removed from that Four-hundred people packed the post as they advocate a stronger hand in Indo-China. The Socialists headed by M. Blum and the Communists advocate negotiations with the Annamites to avoid a virtual war.

#### OVERSEAS RADIO TELEPHONE

India Linked With U.S. NEW DELHI, December 16: The overseas radio telephone service be-

tween India and Great Britain and northern Ireland has been extended to the United States of America with effect from today, it is officially anfrom 1 p.m. to 9-45 p.m. daily. The present charges for each call

to and from India and the U.S. A. will be Rs. 50 for the first three minutes and Rs. 16|11 for each subsequent minute. The report charge will be Rs. 2|11.—A.P.I.

and Marathi, the languages of that

Hindu University to take similar deci-

Addressing the outgoing students,

MADRAS PREMIER'S

CALL TO YOUTH

Need For Tolerance

mier of Madras, delivering the con-

vocation address at Andhra University

Mr. Prakasam condemned the pre-

ed strife and widened the gulf be-

He deprecated educated people thinking themselves a class apart from

tween people.

the uneducated,

system of education which, he

### AHMEDABAD CIVIC **FINANCES**

#### Rehabilitation Plan: Mr. Subedar's Report

Over Rs. 4,00,000 is lost by the Ahmedabad Municipality annually through under-assessment of properties and a much larger sum is denied to it by deliberate evasion.

These are the findings of Mr. Manu Subedar, M.L.A. (Central), who by a special resolution of the Municipality was asked to suggest a scheme for the rehabilitation of the finances of the second city in Bomcipality was asked to suggest a scheme for the rehabilitation of the finances of the second city in Bombay Province.

that this is a hypothetical question. There was not much hypothesis about it at Benares yesterday."

Viscount Simon added: "Such bay Province.

hopes, improve the finances, of Ahmedabad as well as the health and other conditions civic life that city. The recom-

mendations are: additional powers for the municipality through a special nonc o n troversial employment of stricter measures counter underassessment and

allow the As- Mr. Manu Subedar sessment Officer and his staff to function without interference from Munitightening up tax procedure to reduce arrears; 50 per cent. increase in the present

#### WATER RATE

consolidation of the general water rate, special water rate and drainage rate as a house tax of 171/2 per cent. pays. that a free and happy India can ble by every property, a rebate of five never be built up except by co-ope-per cent. being allowed to those location between the main Indian ed in wards without drainage; the parties, and that is the only road nounced. The service is available application of the property tax to all by which the consummation of their vacant lands in the municipal limits on the same basis as on buildings; compulsion on landowners to provide privies in all properties (which should otherwise be declared unfit for an increase in the levy on mills from Assembly was valid or not. annas six to six rupees per year per individual employee; the introduction of a water rate leviable on all mills drinking at the rate of eight annas Cripps. per thousand gallons; classification long. As a matter of fact, Nagpur of hotels in three classes and the levy University, which was a much younger of a hotel tax at the rates of Rs. 250 university, had already decided to give Rs. 50 and Rs. 5 per year.

instruction and to hold examinations only in the Indian languages—in Hindi commendations, when put into effect, province. He wanted the Benares will benefit the municipal finances to capital works, he suggests the raising of a loan of about Rs. 5 crores

#### in three parts. CONFLICT WITH MILLOWNERS

rim Government, delivering the Convo- ing when India would need a large report alludes to a conflict bemunicipal drainage scheme. Expecta- gress alone. tion of revenue from this source from on the part of the millowners to accept the scheme is attributed by Mr. Subedar "very largely to cupidity WALTAIR. December 14: "To rescue and the desire to save money" our India from this morass of poverty and make the country once again set by the millowners has been copied spread civil war should take place happy, smiling and prosperous, once by private individuals who do not take in India." again a nation with honour and digdrainage connections and let foul nity in the comity of nations is your water run into the open spaces surplain duty, and you should deem the doing of that duty a proud privilege", observed Mr. T. Prakasam, the Pre-

taxes. Mr. Subedar says: "Public dishonour. opinion does not seem to be strong "On the other hand, are British enough to condemn the attitude which s betokened by a deliberate evasion of legitimate dues to the municipality said, instead of breaking the barriers as almost all classes seem to indulge between man and man based upon caste, colour, creed or "eligion, fomentin this without any notion that this is wrong and cuts at the root of local self-government."

#### INSURANCE STAFF ON STRIKE Pay Increase Demand

There were repeated cheers and shouts of Congress slogans when the Doctorate in Letters was conferred on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru by Dr. Alterar, head of the Department of Antreport of Litt, and Litter and Culture of Antreport of D. Litt. One hundred and thirty out of 150 members of the staff of the Bombay ferred by the Chancellor on Sir S. V. Ramamurthi in absentia. The Sir C. R. Reddi National Prizes Life Assurance Company in Bombay were awarded to Lt.-Col. Sir Sahib struck work on Monday demanding resingh Sokhey, Director of the Haffkine instatement of three employees who life of the Benares Hindu University, Institute, Bombay, for eminent merit have been dismissed, recognition of the

# VISCOUNT SIMON'S **APPEAL**

#### "Co-operate To Frame Constitution"

(Continued on page 7). ferent major communities would be associated in certain proposals? "Secondly, do the British Government regard the Assembly, now meeting at Delhi, which contains no representative of the fuslim League, as a meeting of such a Constituent Assembly? If the Muslims continue their refusal to take part, will the conclusions, reached by those who do take part, be regarded by the British Government as a Constitution settled by Indians for Indians?

"Thirdly, is the Assembly, now sitting at Delhi, restricted in its efforts to frame a Constitution to the basic form recommended by the Cabinet Mission, or is at liberty to disregard the Mission's recommendation and frame a Constitution on other lines?"

PANDIT NEHRU'S CLAIM Recalling that Pandit Nehru was reported to have claimed that the meeting at Delhi was a Constituent Assembly, that the Congress members attending it would draw up any Constitution they liked, and that that would thereupon become the Constitution of India, Viscount Simon said: "Surely we ought to ask the Government now what their attitude to this momentous declareattitude to this momentous declaration is. Surely, this reinforces my question whether this meeting of caste Hindus at Delhi can be regarded by the Government as the

The heart of his report is a series claims make nonsense of the Cabinet of recommendations the acceptance of Mission's efforts. It threatens India which will, he with a Hindu rai. I am measuring my words as carefully as I have ever done in my life, and I speak under the greatest sense of respon-sibility; but I say this that an attempt to establish a Government in India not by co-operation between the major communities but by reli ance on the Hindu majority threatens India with civil war and bloodshed on an unlimited scale: and I feel it is our duty in Parliament to make an appeal to both sides—not

to judge between them. "To the Muslims, I think, we should say that we beg them to forget the old feuds; to place some reliance in the British sense of fairplay, and to do anything they feel they can to join in a united Indian effort to frame a Constitution under which Indians of every class and creed may live at peace."

Viscount Simon continued: "To Hindus, I think, we should say that the British Parliament well underlevy of taxes on motor cars, lorries stands the inspiration that is drawn and buses, and an annual levy of from the prospect of complete free-two rupees on bicycles. dom, but that that freedom must be for others-for 90,000,000 of the Muslims, for 50,000,000 of the un-Other recommendations made are: touchables as well as for themselves.

"We should beg them to realise

### LORD SAMUEL'S PLEA

Viscount Samuel (Liberal) said human habitation), the present levy that it could only worsen the situaof four rupees per family or tenement tion if the Government declared now being changed to Rs. 40 per privy; ex-cathedra whether the present

He wanted to know in what respect the Government's policy had and other large undertakings using departed from that laid down by water for the purposes other than Mr. L. S. Amery and Sir Stafford

Viscount Samuel declared: "I think Mr. Churchill's statement in the House of Commons can do nothing but mischief as indicating to Mr. Subedar calculates that the rethe Indian people that, whatever commendations, when put into effect, settlement may be arrived at, a new Government may come into power the extent of Rs. 38,87,000. As regards in this country and undo it because the present Government is not entitled to act on behalf of the na-

tion as a whole." He did not think that there was any other course open for the Govtween the Municipality and the mill- ernment than by forming the first owners who have avoided use of the Interim Government from the Con-

He regretted the Muslim abstenthe mills is Rs. 6 lakhs a year. Failure tion, remarking "those who refuse to discuss are in my judgment al-

ways in the wrong. Viscount Samuel asked what part is the main cause of the deficit in the British Parliament, Government municipal finances. The bad example and arms would take if a wide-

Viscount Samuel asked: "Are we quietly to slip away and leave anarrounding their houses.

Commenting on the loss suffered by chy behind? After 150 years of Brithe Municipality through evasion of tish rule that would be a course of

> armies to intervene in order to maintain peace and order? That would mean that young men from this country would have to lay down their lives in India in order to put an end to a quarrel which is not of our making.
> "Why should we be put ourselves

in that dilemma of choosing be-tween dishonour and disaster? Yet such seems to be the situation now shaping, unless Indian parties can wisely concur in framing their Constitution.

## Bombay Incidents

"Nine persons were wounded and one died in the knife-attacks which occur-

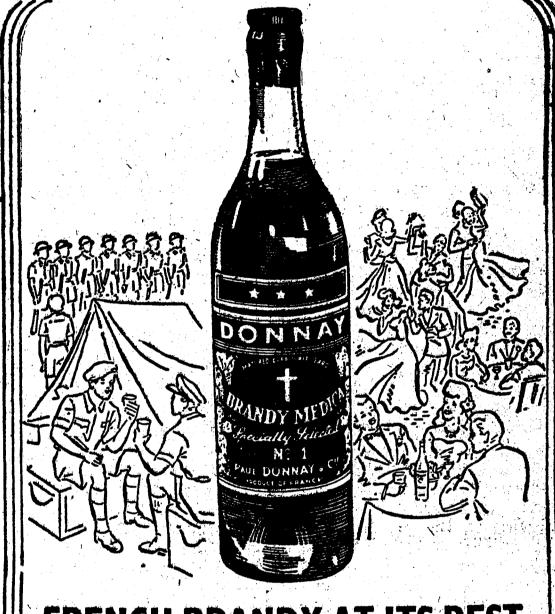
### Exposure time

51, Churchgate Street, BOMBAY.



R. BAGOOMAL

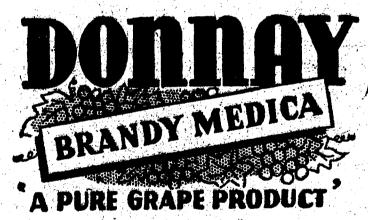
Phone: 34606.



# FRENCH BRANDY AT ITS BEST

(Produce of South Africa also available).

DONNAY was first choice all through the war, whenever this famous old brandy could be had. Now more freely available, DONNAY still stands head and shoulders above competition. Mellow, mature . . . the pure grape product of incomparable quality.



Sole Agents :-S. S. MIRANDA Ltd., Wine Merchants, Bombay & Karachi Local Resail License -- Near Byculla Station, BYCULLA

# ROCKSTONE BRAND

HAIR BELTING COTTON BELTING RUBBER BELTING PICKERS, PICKING BANDS AND MILL LEATHERS

LEATHER BELTING

ALWAYS USE ROCKSTONE BRANDS. ARE ENGLISH AND BEST FOR ALL DRIVES

Buy direct from:-

MORRIS BATES & COMPANY, Power Transmission Engineers, 12, Dalhousie Square, - - -

Or from our representatives:-Mr. P. R. R. CHARRY. Plot No. 184, Lady Jamshedji Road, P. O. Cadell Road,

Mr. M. R. V. NATH, Chandra Building, Avenue Road, - - BANGALORE CITY.

Southern

Clothing Associates 414. Grand St., - NEW YORK. Cable Address: "SOUCLOTH". LADIES DRESSES 25 CENTS.

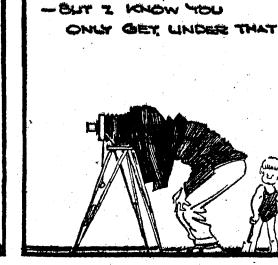
GOOD CONDITION HUGE QUANTITIES AVAILABLE.

CSLOW COMBUSTION TYPE TO BURN COAL COKE ETS. ONE PIECE CIRCULAR BRICKS ARMIES IN INDIA & ABROAD 27.29. HAMAM ST. FORT. BOMBAY CLUBWALA & CO.

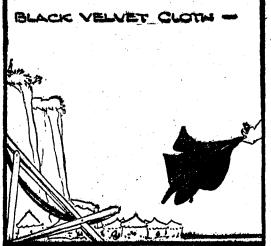
### POP













# Reproduced with permission of the copyright owner. Further reproduction prohibited without permission.