Shri R. K. Sidhwa: Cannot the armed forces of the States be merged in the Union Forces?

Shri K. M. Munshi: The section itself makes it clear that whatever forces are left in the States are part of the Union Forces. If honourable Members will see the Union List of the old Government of India Act of 1935, they will find that there was a separate heading called "The Armed Forces of the State" That entry has been omitted. There can only be one army now in India and that is the Army of the Union. By this article 246 these few contingents which are left in the States become integrated as part of the Union Army. But it will take some time to absorb them completely for organisational and other purposes. Till that time the whole thing has to be regulated by the President. At the same time, the article gives power to the Parliament to complete this process as early as Parliament thinks proper. Under the present conditions they could not be absorbed all at once and it must take time before they could be harmonised in every respect. That is the reason why article 246 has been drafted in this particular manner.

Mr. President : I will now put the various amendments that have been moved. The procedure which I propose to follow is this: I will take each amendment which has been moved by Dr. Ambedkar, take the vote on each separately and dispose it of. Then I shall put the whole part together.

Now, as regards amendment 217 article 211 A—there are several amendments. The first two are No. 237 and No. 238. These are the two amendments moved by Mr. Naziruddin Ahmed. They are more or less of a drafting nature, I wonder whether he wishes to have them put to vote. He is not here, so I will put them to vote.

Mr. President : The question is:

"That in amendment No. 217 of List VII (Second Week), in the proposed Now article 211 A, for the word 'modifications' the words 'adaptations, modifications' be substituted".

The amendment was negatived.

Mr. President: The question is:

"That in amendment No. 217 of List VII (Second Week),-

- (i) in item (3) of the proposed article 211A, for the words 'shall be omitted' the words shall not apply to this part' be substituted;
- (ii) in item (4) of the proposed article 211A. in paragraph (a), after the words 'in clause (1)' the words 'for the time being specified in the First Schedule' be omitted and be inserted."

The amendment was negatived.

The Honourable Shri K. Santhanam (Madras: General): In regard to my amendment No. 276 it has been suggested to me, Sir, that the words "Principal seat of Government" would be preferable to "Capital".

Shri K. M. Munshi: It is a verbal amendment which I am prepared to accept.

Mr. President: There is one slight change which has now been suggested that in place of the word "capital" we should use the word "principal seat of Government". I do not suppose there can be any objection to that. It is merely a verbal change. No. 276 has been accepted by Mr. Munshi.

The question is:

"That in amendment No. 217 of List VII (Second Week), in item (4) of the proposed article 211 A for paragraph (b) the following be substituted:—

(b) for clause (3) following clause shall be substituted, namely:-

[Mr. President]

'(3) Unless he has his own residence in the principal seat of Government of his State the Rajpramukh shall be entitled to the use of an official residence without payment of rent and there shall be paid to the Rajparamukh such allowances as the President may, by general or special order, determine."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. President : We now come to the amendment No. 287 moved by Mr Guruv Reddy.

Shri H. R. Guruv Reddy: I do not want to press it, Sir. The amendment was by leave of the Assembly, withdrawn.

Mr. President: We now come to No. 292.

Kaka Bhagwant Roy (Patiala & Fast Punjab States Union): I would like to withdraw that amendment of mine, Sir.

The amendment was, by leave of the Assembly, withdrawn.

Mr. President: The question is:

"That in amendment No. 217 of List VII (second Week), in paragraph (a) of item (10) of the proposed article 211A, for the words 'the President by general or special order', the words 'Parliament by law' be substituted."

The amendment was negatived.

Mr. President : In regard to amendment No. 278 there is an amendment No. 293) moved by Professor Saksena. I shall first put that to vote.

The question is:

"That in amendment No. 278 of List X (Second Week), in clause (1) of the proposed article 197, for the words 'President after Consultation with the Rajpramukh the words Parliament by law be substituted."

The amendment was negatived.

Mr. President: No. 278 has been accepted by Mr. Munshi.

The question is:

"That in amendment No. 217 of List VII (Second Week), in item (13) of the proposed article 211 A, for article 197, the following be substituted:—

- 197. (1) there shall be paid to the judges of each High Court such salaries as may be determined by the "Salaries," etc., of judges.

 President after consultation with the rajpramukh:
 - (2) Every judge shall be entitled to such allowances and to such rights in respect of leave of absence and pension as may from time to time be determined by or under law made by Parliament and, until so determined, to such allowances and rights as may be determined by the President in consultation with the Rajpramukh:

Provided that neither the allowances of a judge nor his rights in respect of leave of absence or pension shall be varied to his disadvantage after his appointment'."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. President : The question is :

"That in amendment No. 220 of List VII (Second Week), in clause (1) of the proposed new article 235A, for the Words 'until Parliament by law otherwise provides', the the words "until the President by order otherwise provides' be substituted."

The amendment was negatived.