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DIPLOMATIC

Chilean Ambassador Approved

Nov. 9: The Burmese government approved the nomination of Rear Admiral Sergio Fernando Cabezas Dufeu as Ambassador of Chile to Burma. He is also accredited to Thailand and is resident in Bangkok. He was born Nov. 7, 1934 in Vina del Mar, and after graduating as Midshipman from the "Arturo Prat" Naval School in 1954 served in the Chilean Navy. From 1981-83 he was Chief of the Chilean Naval Mission in Great Britain, and Defense Attache in the Chilean Embassies to Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, and Sweden. He was promoted to Rear Admiral in 1984 and became Deputy Chief of Staff of the National Defence in 1985. He is married. (WPD 11/9)

New Bangladeshi Ambassador

Nov. 17:a Mr. A.Z.M. Enayetullah Khan presented credentials to President U San Yu as the new Ambassador of Bangladesh to Burma. (WPD photo caption, 11/18)

New Albanian Ambassador

Nov. 18: Mr. Justin Niko Papajorgji presented credentials to President U San Yu as the new Albanian Ambassador to Burma. (WPD photo caption, 11/20)

Canadian Ambassador Visits

Nov. 27: Canadian Ambassador Mr. A.G. Vincent [resident in Dhaka] called on Minister for Home and Religious Affairs U Min Gaung. (WPD 11/27)

Ambassador to Egypt Named

Nov. 30: President U San Yu has appointed U Aye Thein as Burmese Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt. (WPD 11/30)

FOREIGN RELATIONS

San Yu in Germany

Oct. 30: Continuing his European tour, President U San Yu held talks in Bonn with West German Chancellor Dr. Helmut Kohl. Following a luncheon given by Dr. Kohl, and a farewell from President von Weizsacker, the Burmese party left by air for Munich. (WPD 11/1) - Oct. 30: President U San Yu arrived in Munich, and was given a banquet by Bavarian Minister President Franz Josef Strauss. (WPD 11/2) - Nov. 3: President U San Yu and his party returned to Rangoon, and were met by BSPP General Secretary U Aye Ko. (WPD 11/4)

Soviet Book Exhibit

Nov. 2: A Soviet book exhibit honoring the 70th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution opened at the information branch office at No. 22/24 (1st floor), Pansodan Street, Rangoon. Soviet Ambassador Sergei Pavlovich Pavlov, Embassy Counsellor Valeri V. Nazarov, and Mr. Revaz Glonty, leader of the exhibition team from the USSR State Committee for Publishing, Printing and the Book Trade, all addressed the exhibit inauguration. The exhibit will be open from 10:00 am to 5:30 pm, Nov. 2-9. (WPD 11/3)

Burmese UNESCO Delegation

Nov. 4: The Burmese delegation to the 14th UNESCO General Conference in Paris, headed by Deputy Minister for Education U Thaung Tut, returned to Rangoon. (WPD 11/5)

Export Delegation Returns

Nov. 4: A Burmese export trade exhibition delegation, headed by Director General of the Trade Department U Tin Aung Tun, returned to Rangoon from Australia after displays in Sydney on Oct. 20-22 and in Melbourne on Oct. 27-29. (WPD 11/5)

Soviet Press Conference

Nov. 5: The Soviet Ambassador gave a press conference in connection with the 70th anniversary of the Great October Socialist Revolution. (WPD 11/6)

Hydrometry Workshop

Nov. 9: A Workshop on Tidal Hydrometry opened in Rangoon, jointly sponsored by the WMO, UNDP, Carl Duisberg Gesellschaft of West Germany, and the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology. WMO representative Mihailo Andjelic, UNDP representative Kitatani, Dr. Karl Hofius of Carl Duisberg G., and Director General of the Meteorology and Hydrology Department U Thu Ta spoke. The workshop is being attended by 37 participants from West Germany, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Indonesia, Burma, and the Mekong Project, and will last until Nov. 20. (WPD 11/10) - Nov. 20: The Workshop concluded. (WPD 11/21)

German Aid Agreement

Nov. 12: Deputy Minister for Planning & Finance U Nyunt Maung signed a Financial Cooperation agreement with West German Ambassador Dr. Baron Walther Freiherr von Marshall and Federal Economic Cooperation Ministry Director-General Dr. Willi Ehmann. Of the total West German loan for 1987 of DM 50 million, DM 15 million was provided by an Exchange of Notes on July 17, for industrial raw materials and spare parts. This agreement provides for the remaining DM 35 million (about Ky 127 million), for financing on-going requirements in the energy, industry, and agriculture sectors. In addition, they signed a Record of Discussions providing an additional grant of DM 17 million in technical assistance. (WPD 11/13)

Burma Addresses FAO

Nov. 12: Burmese Minister for Agriculture & Forests U Than Nyunt addressed the 24th session of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) Conference in Rome. After congratulating Dr. Edouard Saouma on his reelection as Director General, and reviewing the difficult international economic scene, he described the "satisfactory" progress of Burmese agriculture over the past two years.

Net sown area was 21 million acres, "with the potential of 25 million acres for further expansion." Acreage under crops in 1986-87 was 25.69 million acres, including 4.78 million acres of multiple and mixed cropping, or 30,000 acres more than the previous year. Net value of the agriculture sector increased "moderately" at 2.5%, and is planned to increase 5.4% in 1987-88. Livestock and fisheries net value increased 4.2% and is planned to increase 5.8% in 1987-88.

Forestry sector net output increased 5.6% in 1986-87. 329 square miles of reserved forest were extended, and 3.6 million teak and hardwood trees were planted on 80,000 acres. Most forestry management follows the Selective Felling System recommended by the FAO.

Burma recognizes "the need for diversification and maximization of the agricultural crops...to avoid the uncertainty of relying too heavily on rice exports." (WPD 11/13)

Chinese Aid Delegation

Nov. 12: A five-member delegation headed by Chinese Deputy Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Mr. Lu Xuejian arrived in Rangoon, at the invitation of the Ministry of Construction, to study Chinese-Burmese economic cooperation and hold talks on present and future programs. (WPD 11/14) - Nov. 13: The delegation called on Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Planning & Finance Thura U Tun Tin, as well as on Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Myint Lwin, Minister for Trade U Khin Maung Gyi, and Deputy Minister for Culture U Than Maung. It visited the Thuwunna National Indoor Stadium and the Rangoon-Syriam Bridge construction site. Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyin Hlaing hosted a dinner for the delegation. (WPD 11/14) - Nov. 16: The delegation, which had visited the Sittang Paper Mill on Nov. 14, and attended the groundbreaking of a cultural theatre in Rangoon on Nov. 16, departed. (WPD 11/17)

Chinese Aid Agreement

Nov. 16: Chinese Deputy Minister for Foreign Economic Relations and Trade Mr. Lu Xuejian and Deputy Minister for Planning & Finance U Nyunt Maung signed an economic and technical cooperation agreement. It will provide an RMB Yuan 80 million (Ky 142.4 million) interest-free loan to supplement the funds for the Rangoon-Syriam Bridge. (WPD 11/17)

Chinese Cultural Visitors

Nov. 19: A Chinese cultural delegation headed by Mr. Liu Jianqing, visiting Burma Nov. 18-30, called on Minister for Culture and Information U Aung Kyaw Myint. (WPD 11/20) - Nov. 28: Minister for Culture and Information U Aung Kyaw Myint held a luncheon for the delegation.

On Nov. 20-22, the delegation visited the Archaeological Museum, the Lacquer Training School, and temples in Pagan-Nyaung-U. On Nov. 23, it went to Mandalay to visit the Shwekyanggyi, Mandalay Hill, and the Mahamyatmuni Pagoda and to study the gold-leaf industry. On Nov. 24 it visited Maymyo. On Nov. 25 it visited the Ywathitkyi Academy for Development of National Groups and the Kaunghmudaw Pagoda in Sagaing, and studied the silverware works at Ywahtaung.

On Nov. 26 the delegation returned to Rangoon, "and enjoyed Burmese dances and a puppet show staged by the Fine Arts Department". On Nov. 27, it met members of the Music Council Organizing Committee and the Thabin Council Organizing Committee and prominent artistes,

and visited the Bogyoke Aung San Museum. (WPD 11/29)

Visit of Princess Royal

Nov. 20: Detailed Profile of Princess Anne (WPD 11/20) - Nov. 20: Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal [Princess Anne] of the United Kingdom arrived by Special Plane at the invitation of Prime Minister Maung Maung Kha. She was accompanied by a Royal Suite of seven members including Mrs. Timothy Holderness-Roddam, Lady-in-Waiting; Lt-Col Peter Gibbs, Private Secretary; Miss Joanne Hockley, Secretary; and Group Captain Jeremy Jones, Commodore. She was met by the Prime Minister, British Ambassador M.R. Morland, and other officials. At the Seinlekantha Guest House she was greeted by BSPP Chairman U Ne Win.

Prime Minister Maung Maung Kha hosted a dinner at the Banquet Hall of the Pyithu Hluttaw, attended by the members of the Council of State, Council of Ministers, Central Organs of Power, Deputy Ministers, and the Diplomatic Corps. Short speeches were exchanged [texts printed]. (WPD 11/21)

Nov. 21: The Princess Royal was received by President U San Yu, and visited the Shwedagon Pagoda, the Martyrs Mausoleum, the Commonwealth War Graves at Htaukkyant, the Children's Hospital, the Institute of Foreign Languages, and the Post-Harvest Technology Application Center at Hlegu. (WPD 11/22)

Nov. 22: The Princess Royal visited Mandalay and Pagan-Nyaung-U. In Mandalay she opened an exhibition of books on English language learning at the Mandalay Town Hall.

Nov. 23: In Nyaung-U Township, the Princess Royal visited the Taungzin Pipe Water Supply Inlet Structure at Natthamee Kanba, the Treatment Works at Hngetpyittaung, the Offtake Point at Myenelay, and the Pump Station at Nabutaw being constructed with Australian Assistance. In Pagan she visited Ananda Temple, the Archaeological Museum, and the Lacquer Training School. Returning by air to Rangoon for her departure from Burma, she was seen off by BSPP Chairman U Ne Win and Prime Minister Maung Maung Kha, as schoolchildren waved British and Burmese Flags from the Airport building. (WPD 11/24)

Korean Soccer Team

Nov. 20: The Korean Han Yang University soccer team will play goodwill matches against the Burma Football Federation Youth Team and the Ministry of Transport & Communications (Marine) Team in Aung San Stadium on Nov. 23 and 25. (WPD 11/21) - Nov. 21: The team arrived; the games will be broadcast live on BBS. (WPD 11/22) - Nov. 23: Han Yang beat T&C by 4-0. (WPD 11/24)

Nov. 25: Commenting on the game, Kyauk-be-lu Tin Maung Swe mourned the days of Burmese international soccer stars like Bahadur, Ko Ko Gyi, Soe Myint, Aung Khin, Ba Pu, Hla Htay, Win Maung, Han Thein, Aye Maung Gyi, and Aye Maung Lat. Controversy about Burmese soccer is likely to continue "until and unless our one-time popular soccer winning song, 'Bahma Nyaing-byi, Doh-bahma Nyaing-byi' is heard once again from the Burma Broadcasting Station." (WPD 11/25) - Nov. 25: Han Yang trounced BFF Youth 6-1. (Nov. 26) - Nov. 27: In "Two Goodwill Matches analysed" Ivan King concludes that "our boys were not bad but it was just that the Koreans were too good." (WPD 11/27)

Buddha Image for Thai King

Nov. 26: The Anekaja (consecration) ceremony was held at President House for the Jade Image of Lord Buddha which will be presented by BSPP Chairman U Ne Win to King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand on the occasion of his 60th birthday. The ceremony was attended by Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Indacara Sayadawgyi of Pegu Myoma Sarthintaik and 15 member Sayadaws, as well as Chairman U Ne Win, President U San Yu, and many other high officials. The Jade Image is 22 1/2 inches high, including the throne, is of Bhumiphassa Mudra (earth-touching gesture) [photos] (WPD 11/27)

FAO Delegation Returns

Nov. 29: The Burmese delegation to the 24th U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization Conference in Rome, headed by Minister for Agriculture and Forests U Than Nyunt, returned to Rangoon. It consisted of Director General of Planning and Statistics U Hla Moe, Managing Director of the Agriculture Corporation U Tin Hlaing, Manager of the Timber Corporation U Tun Wai (2), Deputy Director of the Working People's Settlement Board Major Maung Nyein, and Assistant Director of Fisheries U Nyunt Hlaing. (WPD 11/30)

BURMA GAZETTE

Transfer

Nov. 14: The Council of State transferred and appointed Dr. U Tin Aung Swe, Rector, Institute of Medicine (2), to be Rector, Institute of Medicine (1), Ministry of Health. (WPD 11/14)

Probationary Appointments

Nov. 14: The Council of State made the following probationary appointments:

U Tin Nyein, Deputy General Manager, Posts and Telecommunications Corporation, to be Director-General, Posts and Telecommunications Department, Ministry of Transport and Communications.

Dr. U Myo Thwe, Professor, Institute of Medicine (2), to be Rector, Institute of Medicine (2), Ministry of Health.

U Ant Maung, Director, Department of Religious Affairs, to be Director-General, Department of Religious Affairs, Ministry of Home and Religious Affairs. (WPD 11/14)

Appointments Confirmed

Nov. 14: The Council of State confirmed the appointments, after one-year's probation, of:

U Hla Moe as Director-General, Planning and Statistics Department, Ministry of Agriculture & Forests.

U Tin Maung as Director-General, Public Service Affairs Department, Public Services Selection and Training Board. (WPD 11/14)

GOVERNMENT

Political Courses

Nov. 9: Basic Political Course No. 58 began at the Central Institute of Political Science. The 21-week course is being attended by 336 trainees from BSPP Central Committee Headquarters and Party Regional Committee areas. (WPD 11/10) - Nov. 10: Party Organizational Refresher Course No. 31, a 14-week course with 197 trainees, ended. (WPD 11/11) - Nov. 24: Lanzin Youth Management Course No. 27 ended; 186 trainees attended the 19-week course. (WPD 11/25)

National Day Celebrations

Nov. 14: The 67th National Day celebration [Nov. 15] got under way with an exhibition and prizegiving ceremony at Rangoon City Hall. (WPD 11/15) - Nov. 15: National Day was observed throughout the country. The political objectives for this year, as laid down by the BSPP, are (1) to step up the momentum of nation building work; (2) to make efforts for further development of the State's economy; and (3) to strive, hand in hand with the Pyithu Tatmadaw, in national defence and security tasks. (WPD 11/17)

MILITARY

Karen Insurgency

Nov. 2: In a feature article entitled "With might and main", Tun Zaw Htwe discusses the KNU insurgency. In the first week of

October, KNU "No 7 Brigade" insurgents forceably drafted 40 male refugees aged between 14 and 40 from the Kalekho refugee camp north of Maesok in Thailand. Recruits were also taken by force from two other refugee camps. The recruits are trained in two groups; one of males of 14 and above, and the other "comprising only males of 40 years of age" [sic]. There are 20,000 Karen "refugees" in Thailand.

Since 1984 the Burma Army has captured the KNU Methawaw camp and attacked their Mela, Mawphoke, Wakha, Hpalu, and Wawle camps, blockading the insurgents. KNU strength has been reduced to a little over 3,400. That is why the "hardcore" "No. 7 Brigade" has been ordered by Nga Mya to find new recruits. In the refugee camps the KNU receives money and provisions from the Christian mission. "In collaboration with mercenary-minded foreign correspondents" Nga Mya is spreading the false news that he is on a visit to western countries to ask for help, that the KNU is receiving monetary aids and weapons, and that it did not suffer from the currency demonetization. In fact, the KNU took away 40 big plastic bags of old currency from Paya Thonzu in a "Dyna" car; the KNU had on its hands US\$ 120 million of the currency notes which have ceased to be legal tender.

Minerals smuggling has also been disrupted. The KNU has no navy, air force or artillery. It buys arms and uniforms on the black market; however modern its weapons it has limitations. The Burma Army has no difficulty obtaining voluntary recruits, and the State produces arms and other equipment. (WPD 11/2)

Karen State Tour

Nov. 6: Foreign military attach,s and foreign and domestic journalists made a study tour of Karen State. On Nov. 3-4 they visited Kyaikhtiyo Zedi in Kyaikto Township, Mon State, and then returned to Pa-an, where Karen State People's Council Chairman U Saw Aung Pwint hosted a dinner and Karen don dance program. On Nov. 5 they were briefed in Pa-an by Defence Services Intelligence Director Col. Khin Nyunt and local officials. Col. Khin Nyunt explained that this was one of a series of tours to various command areas, and was intended to demonstrate the falsehood of KNU rumours that the Karens were being oppressed.

Karen State People's Council Executive Committee member U Saw Thein Zin provided local statistics: Karen State has a population of 1,102,602, of which 70% or 769,377 are Karen nationals. 996,152 live in rural areas and 106,450 in towns. Most are Buddhists, but Christianity is the second religion.

36 of the 55 members of the Karen State People's Council are Karen nationals, as are 325 of the 426 Township People's Council members, and 10 of the 14 Karen State Pyithu Hluttaw members; one Karen national is a member of the Council of People's Attorneys. The 2.4 million Karen nationals in Burma make up 6.3% of Burma's 38 million people. There are about 2,600 Karen insurgents and followers in Karen State.

Karen State has 1 College, 20 high schools, 65 middle schools, 1,064 primary schools, and 1 agricultural high school, with 148,902 students and 4,403 teachers. There are 17 hospitals, 7 maternity and child care centers, 40 rural health centers, 1 Township Health Department, and 4 indigenous medicine dispensaries. There are 63 doctors, 643 health services personnel, and 10 health technicians.

Following the briefing, the party visited Eindu village, 13 miles from Pa-an. Then they visited Myainggalay by boat, and toured the Cement Factory. The proceeded by boat to Moulmein, where South-East Command Commander Brig.Gen. Nyan Linn hosted a dinner and Mon cultural dance program.

On the morning of Nov. 6 they flew from Moulmein back to Rangoon. (WPD 11/7)

Insurgents Surrender

Nov. 6: 19 insurgents turned themselves in, with their arms, between October 3-14. (WPD 11/7) Nov. 7: 19 surrendered between

October 16-30. (WPD 11/8) [names and details given]

Karen Tour Account

Nov. 21, 22: A two-part feature article entitled "Seeing is Believing" by Tun Zaw Htwe describes in colorful language the tour of Kyaikhtiyo Pagoda and Karen State given to Military Attaches and Journalists Nov. 3-6, repeating the data already published. [see above]. (WPD 11/21,22)

ECONOMIC

Economic Exhortation

Nov. 3: In a feature article entitled "Let's serve the country through fair trading and farming", Yebaw Nyo Maung, after quoting from Chairman U Ne Win's October 9 speech, and citing economic difficulties in both Western and Eastern countries, comments on the Sept. 1 decontrolling of all non-industrial agricultural crops. He urges peasants to boost agricultural production, and private entrepreneurs to "strike a balance between selfishness and altruism." (WPD 11/3)

Gem Emporium

Nov. 4: The 25th Burma Gems, Jade and Pearl Emporium was previewed by government officials at Rangoon's Inya Lake Hotel. The Emporium will be held from Nov. 6 - 15. 851 lots of gems, jade and pearls, with a tag price of Ky 123,814,592 (US\$ 18,836,560) will be sold. Jewellery and jade carvings valued at Ky 12,438,330 (US\$ 1,892,308) will also be on sale. Receipts from the 24 previous Emporiums totalled Ky 736,240,895 (US\$ 111,420,586). 408 gem merchants from 143 companies in 16 countries are expected to attend the 25th Gems Emporium. (WPD 11/5) - Nov. 5: Foreign diplomats visited the Gem Emporium; 275 gem merchants have arrived. (WPD 11/6) - Nov. 6: Local and foreign reporters visited the Gem Emporium. To be sold are 231 lots of gems (Reserve price: Ky 13,094,765); 350 lots of jade (Reserve: Ky 65,359,620); 270 lots of pearls (Reserve: Ky 45,360,207); jewellery (Value: Ky 9,740,020); and jade carvings (Value: Ky 2,698,310). (WPD 11/7) - Nov. 7: The Gem Emporium will begin Nov. 8. 336 gem merchants have arrived. (WPD 11/8)

Nov. 8: On the first day of the Emporium, sales totalled Ky 5,626,941.70 (43 lots of jade - Ky 5,433,393.90; jewellery - Ky 150,918.38; jade carvings - Ky 42,659.42). (WPD 11/9) - Nov. 9: On the second day merchants bought 53 lots of jade worth Ky 10,256,000. 371 gem merchants from 13 countries have arrived. (WPD 11/10) - Nov. 10: On the third day merchants bought 69 lots of jade worth Ky 27,864,000. 379 merchants from 14 countries have arrived. (WPD 11/11)

Nov. 11: A feature article by Maung Maung Aye describes some of the jewel dioramas on display, and some of the gems being sold. Lot No. 2 is a 10.10 carat ruby worth US\$ 169,680. Lot No. 1 is a 45 piece set of pearls, weighing 31.73 mommes, valued at US\$ 224,000. Lot No. 41 is two pieces of jade weighing 0.40 kilos and valued at US\$ 112,000. For the first time this year, garnet and spinel squares are being sold; they are much less valuable. (WPD 11/11)

Nov. 11: On the fourth day merchants bought 11 lots of jade valued at Ky 1,221,000. 386 merchants from 15 countries have arrived. At the annual banquet given by the Emporium Central Committee, prizes were awarded to merchants who have attended the most Emporiums and bought the most jade and other gems. (WPD 11/12)

Nov. 12: On the fifth day sales of gems began, with 31 lots sold valued at Ky 3,554,000. 394 merchants from 15 countries have arrived. (WPD 11/13) - Nov. 13: On the sixth day the sale of pearls began, with the purchase of 47 lots of pearls valued at Ky 10,146,000. - Nov. 14: On the seventh day 9 lots of pearls valued at Ky 1,038,000 were sold. (WPD 11/15)

Nov. 16: Total sales from Nov. 6-16 amounted to more than Ky 61,027,000 (US\$ 9,284,389); of this, jewellery amounted to Ky

1,252,000 and jade carvings to Ky 259,000. (WPD 11/17)

Nov. 18: Gem Emporium receipts totalled over Ky 61 million. 350 lots of jade with a reserve price of nearly US\$ 10 million were put on sale, and 176 lots were sold for over US\$ 6.8 million. (WPD editorial, 11/18)

Model Workers Named

Nov. 3: The 1986-87 Model Workers List, released in Rangoon, included 61 Best Socialist Workers, 172 Model Workers Grade II, and 496 Model Workers Grade III, totalling 729. 277,882 workers in 633 factories, mills and work establishments competed for the Award.

Distribution was as follows:

	Best	II	III	Total
Kachin State	2	1	6	9
Kayah State	-	1	2	3
Karen State	1	1	-	2
Chin State	1	-	1	2
Sagaing Div.	1	14	28	43
Tenasserim Div.	-	-	8	8
Pegu Division	2	14	36	52
Magwe Division	9	23	36	68
Mandalay Div.	11	22	73	106
Mon State	1	10	26	37
Rakhine State	-	5	10	15
Rangoon Div.	22	52	220	294
Shan State	1	6	10	17
Irrawaddy Div.	10	23	40	73
TOTAL	61	172	496	729

By Ministry the list was:

	Best	II	III	Total
Defence	1	3	8	12
Trade	3	13	22	38
Industry 1	16	26	130	172
Industry 2	1	1	4	6
Energy	13	36	52	101
Construction	6	16	31	53
Education	-	-	1	1
Transport	9	40	90	139
Home & Relig.	-	2	6	8
Information	1	1	13	15
Livestock	1	-	3	4
Agriculture	4	11	78	93
Co-operatives	-	1	3	4
Mines	1	4	16	21
Labour	5	17	38	60
Private Enterprises	-	1	1	2

Names of the 61 Best Socialist Workers, and the 172 Model Workers Grade II [part], and their employers, were listed. (WPD 11/5) - Nov. 5: Model Workers Grade II [remainder] and Grade III [part], listed. Special uniforms are to be given to Grade III Model Workers. (WPD 11/6) - Nov. 6: Grade III list [part]. (WPD 11/7) - Nov. 7: Model Workers will receive physical exams before joining Model Workers recreation camps. Grade III list [remainder]. (WPD 11/8) - Nov. 7: There were 75 more Model Workers this year than last. The 61 Best Socialist Workers are those who have been chosen Model Workers for three consecutive years. (WPD Editorial, 11/8)

Meiktila Textile Workers

Nov. 7: 3,292 workers from the Meiktila Textile Mill contributed overtime as a gesture to the third meeting of the Workers Asiayone Central Body. (WPD 11/8)

Rangoon Market Projects

Nov. 9: The Rangoon City Development Committee will construct six modern markets. The Theingyizay (E Shed) Market, formerly the

fruit market, in Latha Township, will be a concrete, five-story, 115x70 foot structure, with 111 rooms on the ground floor and 88 on the first floor. Also, there will be 20 18x12 ft. office rooms on the second floor and four 28x70 ft. residential rooms on the third floor. The total cost will be Ky 11.9 million and construction will start in 1988.

The five other markets, i.e., a new market near the West Yankin Market, the Myenigon Open-air Market, the South Okkalapa Haymawun Market, the Tamwe Market, and the Kamayut Hledan Market, will all be of two stories, 175x96 ft., with 208 rooms on the ground floor and 224 on the first floor. Each of these will cost Ky 8.4 million and take 2-3 years to complete. Over 10,000 applications for shops have been received, and new applications have been suspended until new forms are issued in January 1988. Priority is given to parents, wives, and children of war dead or disabled, and children of those "who died while shouldering the duties of the State." Applicants will reapply for rooms at the new markets. "Systematic scrutiny is being carried out to those who formerly got the rooms or those who obtained through transfer and are present owners at the Bogyoke Aung San Market, Theingyizay Market, New Bogyoke Market, Central Open-Air Market, etc. Construction work will be carried out with insurance fees paid by those who have been permitted to open shops; these fees will be refunded to those who return their shops to the Market Division, or will be confiscated as fines "from those who fail to abide by the rules." At present there are 116 markets with 48,000 rooms in Rangoon City. (WPD 11/10)

Vocational Training

Nov. 10: A feature article titled "Utilization of resources for raising productivity" by Myint Thein Aung discusses vocational training under the National Vocational Training Programme launched in 1972. The initial project, with UNDP and ILO help, ran from Jan. 1972-June 1976. A Vocational Training Centre was established on Apr. 10, 1972 at Myananda Road, Kanbe, Yankin Township, Rangoon. It gives six courses: general instructional technique; trading skill testing; machining trade instructor; welding trade instructor; automechanic trade instructor; and electrical trade instructor. The Training Centre at 6 1/2 Mile, Prome Road, gives three courses: training officer; supervisor instructor; and productivity improvement. The Vocational Training Centre has trained 2,570 trainers from various enterprises. (WPD 11/10)

Trade Promotion Workshop

Nov. 10: A three-day Workshop on Trade Promotion between Burma and Socialist Countries of Eastern Europe opened in Rangoon, with participation from UNCTAD, various Eastern European countries, and Burmese officials concerned with exports. (WPD 11/11)

Agricultural Wholesaling

Nov. 11: In an article entitled "Good prospects for economic development and interesting wholesale business registration", Yankin Ko Ko Gyi reviews, in the form of an imaginary conversation, the new regulations allowing citizens to engage in wholesale trade in paddy, rice, and other agricultural commodities. (WPD 11/11)

Oil-Seed & Wheat Wholesalers

Nov. 11: In Notification No. 15/87, entitled "Payment of revenues by private wholesalers who have got themselves registered to buy and sell oil-seed crops and wheat", and an appended table, the Council of Ministers provide that prospective wholesalers of these crops must be registered with Township People's Council Executive Committees, and must pay revenues in kind in the amount of 5% (basket, ton or viss) on: 1) Monsoon groundnuts (groundnut beans/groundnut seeds); 2) Winter groundnut (groundnut beans/groundnut seeds); 3) Sesamum; 4) Sunflower; and 5) Wheat. Those so paying are not liable under the Profit Tax Law. (WPD 11/12)

Operation Shwewamye (1987)

Nov. 16: The annual operation for military volunteer service to agriculture got under way with the despatch of five columns, totalling 1,500 volunteers, to help farmers in areas around Rangoon until Nov. 30. (WPD 11/17)

Housing

Nov. 18: A feature article by Kyaw Lat entitled "The International Year of Shelter for the Homeless and Burma's endeavours in the housing sector" reviews housing in Rangoon. The Caretaker Government constructed three satellite towns around Rangoon: Thaketa, South Okkalapa and North Okkalapa and resettled 300,000 people in 1959. Now, about 700,000 people live in these towns. Under the Revolutionary Government after 1962, the Construction Ministry developed new residential areas like Thuwunna and Myintha, as well as housing in older estates such as Yankin, U Wisara, and Kandawgalay. Originally there was only state subsidized housing; after 1962 there was also the Joint Housing Scheme, Housing Scheme with Labour Contribution, Outright Sale Housing Scheme, etc.

Problems today include rising construction costs; to build one small apartment costs over a lakh of kyats, so that "it is almost impossible for a government servant to save for an apartment or a house before his retirement." The cost of land is even worse; land prices in Rangoon have increased over 400 times during the past 30 years. This rate is higher than that for gold, jewels, cars, etc.

The innovative Joint Housing Scheme creates houses with an initial 50% cost participation of the State, which is recovered at 5% interest over 15 years. New innovative ideas are needed. In a speech, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Myint Lwin stressed the need for: (1) extensive use of local materials and technology; (2) development of more durable and versatile local construction materials; and (3) use of all resources, especially the people's labour contribution. (WPD 11/18)

Ships Delivered

Nov. 24: Two push-tug vessels and four 500-ton capacity barges, built by the Dockyards Corporation, were handed over to the Ministry of Cooperation for the Basalt Project in a ceremony at Sinmalaik. They will be used by the Irrawaddy Division Syndicate of Township Co-operatives for carrying basalt rock. This is the first batch of vessels for the Cooperatives Ministry to be handed over; their construction by the Dockyards Corporation has saved 30% of foreign exchange. (WPD 11/25)

Social Services Statistics

Nov. 26: Under the social security scheme for workers, in 1986-87 over 1.6 million out-door patients were given medical treatment and the Workers Hospital in Rangoon treated 9,772 in-door patients. The State spent Ky 11.57 million on the 41,400 workers in the 14,512 covered work establishments; Ky 3.56 million on sickness; Ky 1.14 million on maternity; Ky 300,000 on deaths; Ky 330,000 on temporary disability; Ky 780,000 on permanent disability; and Ky 580,000 on survivors pension up till March 1987.

During the Fifth Four-Year Plan period, 10 [additional] townships will be covered by the social security project, and thus a foundation stone was laid March 3, 1984 for a 150-bed Workers Hospital in Mandalay, to cost Ky 30 million, which is now 80% complete. As of now, 64 social security branch offices and 85 dispensaries have been opened in 90 Townships, and there are about 41,400 workers of 14,512 work establishments covered by the scheme. The Workers Hospital in Rangoon gave treatment to 6,234 male and 3,538 female patients up till March 1987, for a total of 9,772. Arrangements have been made to extend the building as the number of covered workers increases. (WPD 11/27)

Rainfall in Rangoon

Rainfall since January 1, 1987, in inches, at Rangoon's three weather stations of Rangoon Airport (RA), Kaba-Aye (KA), and Central Rangoon (CR) was:

As of	RA	KA	CR
November 1	90.00	93.66	89.33
November 15	95.04	98.86	93.43
November 30	97.01	100.98	95.43

CULTURAL

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Toungoo Period Writers

Nov. 2: The first in Aung Moe's series on the Toungoo Period writers is entitled "The Toungoo Nawade", and describes the Hlawga Thondaung Hmu (Commander of Three Thousand Marines), a refugee from Ava who served under Mingyi Nyo in Toungoo (1486-1531). He composed two e-chins (royal lullabies) dedicated to the royal prince Tabin Shwe Hti, entitled the "Mintara Shwe Hti E-Chin" and the "New Mintara Shwe Hti E-Chin". When the prince acceded to the throne in 1531, the poet composed the nardawthwin e-chin, to inspire him to follow in his father's footsteps as, with his brother-in-law Bayin Naung, he did, creating the Second Burmese empire. The poet then wrote a linga on Tabin Shwe Hti's Horse-Guards, a phondawbwe (paean) ratu on his coronation as King of Lower Burma after the capture of Hanthawaddy, a mawgun on the royal elephant Than Myan Swa, an e-chin on Min Kyaw Swa's fleet, etc. For these he was created Nawade or Poet Laureate. The poet died at 80, leaving behind a poet son named Min Zeya Rantameik. (WPD 11/2)

Nov. 9: Article 2, entitled "The Prome Nawade" discusses Nawadi-gyi, tutor to the brother-in-law of the Lord of Prome. He composed a ratu on the new capital of Pegu, and two well-known e-chins, one in honor of the Lord of Prome's daughter, and the other, the "Ayuthia Queen E-chin" in honor of Bayint Naung's granddaughter, who married the Siamese king. He composed between 300-400 ratur, including military sitcheratus, and payataing ratur supplicating Lord Buddha at various shrines, which are valuable historical sources. He also composed the "Manawhari Pyo" about the Thudhanu Prince, which has disappeared. He died at over 90. (WPD 11/9)

Nov. 15: Article 3 in the series discusses Hanthawaddy Binnya Dalla, a Minister at the Mon Court who was also a military commander, statesman, and translator, who translated the "Razadarit Ayedawbon", a Mon treatise on the war, in the early 1400's between Ava's King Min Gaung I and Hanthawaddy's King Razadarit. After plotting against King Bayin Naung, he died in exile in 1572. (WPD 11/15)

Nov. 23: Article 4 discusses Maha Pinnya-kyaw (1508-1598?) of Dinnyawaddy (Rakhine State). He was a Minister who served six Arakanese Kings, and under Min Phalaung (1564-71) he compiled the legal precedents now known as the Maha Pinnya-kyaw Shauk Htone, putting the interpretation of the Manu dhammathats on a Buddhist basis. He was also a poet who wrote many ratur. Maha Pinnya-kyaw became "Lord of Chittagong", and was buried near the Mawtin pagoda at Negrais. (WPD 11/23)

Nov. 30: The Fifth article discusses Okkar Pyan of Dinnyawaddy (1558-1618), who was Secretary to Crown Prince Min Khamaung of Mrauk-U. He was a gallant military commander who with the Prince captured Syriam in 1597, as an ally of Hanthawaddy, and then helped defend

Toungoo against Thai invaders from Ayuthia. Okkar Pyan composed the kye-say ratus, about the 12 seasons of the year; the ratu on Kason (May) describes the life of a peasant. In 1605, when prisoners tried to assassinate the Arakanese King, Okkar Pyan and the Crown Prince fell into disgrace. According to Harvey, Okkar Pyan was condemned to have his hands cut off and become a pagoda slave to the Mahamuni image. According to Burmese sources, he was pardoned and sent in 1609 to Ava, where he completed a ratu begun by Prome Nawadegy. In 1610 he composed a ratu as a prayer to Arimetteya, the future Buddha. (WPD 11/30)

Tazaungmon Ceremonies

Nov. 4: The 8th Matho Thingan weaving contest was inaugurated at the Yahu corner of the Shwedagon Pagoda Terrace. The looms of the Kalyana, Yekyidaw, Inga Thamaradi, Kyathapade Thantshinye, and Shan Tazaung Sanay Thantshinye teams were opened. Similar ceremonies were held at the Botataung, Kyaikkasan, Mogaung, and Pazundaung Pagodas. (WPD 11/5) - Nov. 5: The Fullmoon day of Tazaungmon was celebrated at the Shwedagon, Sule, Botataung, Ngahtatgyi, Chauktatgyi, Kaba Aye and Kyaikkasan Pagodas, with offerings of Soondawgyi. Matho Thingans and Kathina robe offering ceremonies were held at dawn. Public buildings, wards, streets and houses were beautifully illuminated. (WPD 11/6)

Archaeological Awards

Nov. 5: On Nov. 2, in the Shwebo Township Party Unit Hall, U Kyi Htay of Kyigon Ward, Shwebo, turned over to the Mandalay Archaeological Department a gold pendant with the figure of a bullock and a ring, of the Pyu period, found near Hanlin Village, Wetlet Township. He was given a Ky 17,390 cash award. (WPD 11/6) - Nov. 10: "People...should...hand over the priceless articles to the State not only for the rewards but also for helping to perserve our cultural heritage." (WPD Editorial, 11/10)

Dana Continued

Nov. 5, 20: In continuation of his Oct. 29 article on the concept of dana in Buddhism, Tint Lwin considers the donor in a two-part article. (WPD 11/5,20).

Bayinnaung's Bell

Nov. 8,9: A two-part feature article titled "Anticipating quin-centenary of Bayinnaung's Bell" by Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt discusses the history of the 5 foot high bell presented to the Shwezigon Pagoda in Pagan in 1557 by Bayinnaung 1551-1581), the third King of the Toungoo Dynasty. The context of other great Burmese bells is included, as well as a description of this bell and its construction and presentation. (WPD 11/8,9)

TV Transmitter in Taunggyi

Nov. 13: Officials inspected the television re-transmitting station being built in Taunggyi, Shan State. (WPD 11/14)

Translation Text Set

Nov. 18: The Sarpay Beikman Board has prescribed "Piecing Together the Past" by V. Gordon Childe as the subject matter for translation for the 1987 Sarpay Beikman Manuscript Award. Translations, together with two passport photos, must be submitted to the Board no later than March 31, 1988. Copies of the text to be translated will be on sale at Ky 5. (WPD 11/19)

Sarpay Beikman Book Club

Nov. 19: The Sarpay Beikman Book Club is distributing to its members "Kaba Sarpay Anhyun Italian Sarpay Thamaing" by Maung Htin. (WPD 11/20)

Literary Awards Given

Nov. 21: The 1986 National Literary Awards were presented in a ceremony at Rangoon City Hall. Minister for Information and Culture U Aung Kyaw Myint recalled that prizes have been presented since 1962, with the number of categories growing from 4 to 13, and with 235 winners over the 25 years. Last year only four out of 745 books won awards; this year six out of 679 books won awards, including a long unclaimed award for youth literature. He called on writers to "create works that would arouse national pride, promote good social conduct, do good to society, intensify the spirit of service to the country, enhance love for the country, and develop positive traits of Burmese way of life in the people." Prizes were then presented to the [previously announced] winners. (WPD 11/22)

Sarsodaw Day Observed

Nov. 21: The Eighth Sarsodaw Day of Rangoon Division for 1349 BE, and to pay homage to elderly men [and women] of letters, was held at Rangoon City Hall. Biographies of three of them were read.

The 25 elderly men of letters are: U Po Thwe; U Maung Maung Gyi (Dagon Nat Shin); UPI U Ba Than; U Myint Thein; U May Da; U Thein Maung (Yadanabon Thein Thein); U Khin Maung Gyi (Pagan Khin Maung Gyi); U San Htwa; U Thein (Kyipyayay U Thein); U Ohn Khin (Mogyo); Daw Khin Ma Lay (Dagon Khin Lay Swe); U Yan Aung (Yan Aung); U Ba Ohn (Shwe Thitsa); U Ngwe Saing (Ngwe Soe); U Khin Zaw (K); U Kywe Nyein (Bogale U Kyway); Daw Saw Yin; U Than Pe (Kaya Bala U Than Pe); U Saw Hla Oo; U Lun Maung (Dagon Lun); U Ba Nyunt; U Thein Han (Zaw Gyi); U Chan Tha (Letwe Min Nyo); U Than Tint (Duwun); and U Ba Pe (Thuriya-Hanthawaddy). (WPD 11/22)

Ain-daw-ya Pagoda

Nov. 22,23: A two part feature story by Khin Maung Nyunt entitled "Lithic Inscription at Maha Loka Yanthi Pagoda" describes the so-called Ain-daw-ya Pagoda at Mandalay, built in AD 1847 by King Pagan. An alabaster slab contains the 96 line history of the Pagoda in Pali and Burmese.

The first 16 lines describe the prophecy of Dipankara Buddha for Godama Buddha and his life. Lines 16-20 tell the history of the Konbaung Dynasty. Lines 21-35 list the Kings from Alaungpaya to Tharrawaddy, Pagan's father, with their dates and achievements. Lines 36-40 give the biography of King Pagan. Lines 41-61 describe King Pagan's religious works: the repair of seven old pagodas: (1) Maha Wizaya Yanthi; (2) Maha Setkya Thiha Sak Thwa; (3) Seik Pauk; (4) Loka Theraphu; (5) Ohn Min Thoneze; (6) Ku Khan Myo; and (7) Ain-daw-ya Pagoda at Hanthawaddy Mho. The last is the Maha Dhamma Yanthi Pagoda in Dagon Township, Rangoon; it is called the Eindaw Ya Pagoda because it is built on the site of Prince Pagan's temporary residence when he visited Rangoon with King Tharrawaddy in 1841. Pagan's religious merits were monasteries at Thayet Taik and Kugyi Taik, an Ordination Hall, and the Maha Wayan Bontha Royal Monastery.

Lines 62-87 describe the history of the Pagoda; line 76 describes the gold figures and relics, and 1,200 gold and silver Buddha figures, in the 96 treasure chambers within the pagoda. Lines 85-87 describe the placing of the jewelled hti on the Pagoda in BE 1210. Lines 88-89 discuss the inscription. Lines 92-99 list the Pagoda slaves, whose status is described by Khin Maung Nyunt, and he concludes by commenting on the historical significance of the inscription, in providing information on the attitudes and biographies of Burmese Kings. (WPD 11/22,23)

TRANSLATIONS OF TEXTS

Tables to Land Revenue Payments Notification

Sept. 30: As indicated in our September issue, Council of Ministers Notification No. 9/87 of Sept. 30, 1987, on "Farmers to pay in their land revenues with scheduled crops" had three annexed tables printed in Burmese. Through the courtesy of Mr. L.E.Bagshawe we can

now provide the following condensed translations of these tables:

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Schedule 1 - Payment (in 46 lb. baskets) to be made per acre according to crop: Paddy

1. Irrawaddy, Pegu, Rangoon, Mon, Arakan, Tenasserim St/Div:

Planted Acreage

4-	4.1-10	10+			
	Not irrigated		2	3	4
	Shifting & terrace cultiv.		1	1	1

2. Magwe, Mandaley, Sagaing, Kachin, Kayah, Shan, Karen St/Div:

Planted Acreage

4-	4.1-10	10+			
	Irrigated		2	3	4
	Unirrigated, deep water, cropped after flood, winter crops		1	2	3
	Shifting & terrace cultiv.		1	1	1

3. Chin State (paddy, including all paddy planted according to the lie of the land):

Planted Acreage

over 1

Shifting & terrace cultiv. 1

Notes: 1) if more than one variety of paddy is grown, payment is to be made proportionately in the main varieties.

2) paddy including dust, sand or stones, or which is damp, may be accepted if within prescribed limits.

3) when a second crop is taken from paddy land, such a groundnut, sesamum, sunflower, long-staple cotton, etc., using irrigation water, a further collection will be made at rates laid down for that crop (The water rate will not be collected a second time).

4) Extra acreage from 0.1-0.4 will be ignored; from 0.5 to 0.9 it will count as one more. E.g., 3.1-3.4 acres count as 3; 3.5-3.9 count as 4.

Schedule 2 - Payment to be made (in 46 lb. baskets) according to crop:

1. Bean varieties

Mat-pe, Pe-ti-sein, Butter bean, Bo-keik-pe, Red Sun-ta, Blun Sun-ta, Chick pea, Cow pea, Pigeon pea, Rice bean, Burma bean, Pe-gyi, Lime bean, Garden pea, Pe-ya-za, Green gram:

1/2 basket per acre.

Note: produce that is damp or contains husk or empty grains, or dust, sand, or stones, or is weevilled, or otherwise deteriorated, may be accepted if within prescribed limits.

2. Oil seeds

Monsoon groundnut	1/2 bask.
Winter groundnut	1 bask.
Sesamum	1/4 bask.
Sunflower	1 bask.

3. Other food grains

Wheat, Sorghum, Maize
1/2 basket per acre

4. Other crops

Sugar cane, bananas, or other crops grown in paddy land:

In Irrawaddy, Rakhine, Pegu, Rangoon, Mon, and Tenasserim St/Div: 10 baskets of paddy per acre.

Elsewhere: 10 baskets of paddy or 3 baskets of groundnuts or 1 basket of sesamum to be paid per acre.

Notes: 1) If intercropping is practised, revenue is to be paid in

the main crop only.

2) If a second crop is grown in dam-irrigated areas, a further collection will be made at rates laid down for the crop (the water rate will not be collected a second time).

Schedule 3 - Payment to be made per acre according to crop:
Industrial Crops

Long-staple cotton, short-staple cotton, paper mulberry, rattan (all not discoloured):

1 1/2 viss per acre

Sugar cane (with sugar content at least 11%):

1/4 ton per acre

Notes: 1) If intercropping is practised, revenue is to be paid in the main crop only.

2) If, after the rattan crop is taken, a second crop is grown using irrigation water, besides the revenue determined for the rattan a second collection will be taken at the rate appropriate for the second crop.

(WPD 9/30)

New Statutes

Oct. 17: The Pyithu Hluttaw passed, and WPD published, the Burmese language texts of five new statutes. Through the courtesy of Mr. L.E.Bagshawe, we are able to provide the following condensed translations:

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1. Law Amending the Private Enterprises Rights Law (No. 5 of 1987) [all references are to that Law]:

Sec. 1. This law is entitled "The Private Enterprises Rights Law."

Sec. 2. In Section 5, substitute "a national" [naing-ngan-tha] for "a native" [taing-yin-tha].

Sec. 3. Insert new Section 5A: "An individual proprietor of a private enterprise, registered as a wholesaler under the Act, may deal in produce declared to be decontrolled by the Council of Ministers from time to time, whether originally, or by milling, repair, or embellishment."

Sec. 4. Section 10 is amended to read: "A. An individual proprietor of a private enterprise must be registered with the committee or person appropriate to the enterprise that he wishes to register in accordance with this law. B. If the individual proprietor of a private enterprise is registered and engages in business under this Law, he must pay a tax at a rate and in the manner determined by the Council of Ministers, either in cash or in produce or in goods. C. The rate of tax so ordered must be shown in the Finance Act presented to the Pyithu Hluttaw."

Sec. 5. Insert new Section 19A: "An individual proprietor of a private enterprise, upon conviction of violating the terms of Section 10 (B) of this Law shall be sentenced either to imprisonment for from 1-5 years or to a fine of 10,000 kyats or both."

Sec. 6. Section 29 is amended to read: "Taxes due under Section 10(B) or money payable in fines under Sections 19, 21, 22, 23, or 26, that are in default from the responsible proprietor, may be recovered in the manner prescribed for recovery of Land Revenue balances."

Sec. 7. Insert new Section 30(E): "Provisions relating to the collection of taxes assessed or to be paid under Section 10(B) by proprietors; their rates and manner of payment, installments, and times."

2. Law Amending the Indigenous Medicine Practitioners Association Act (No. 8 of 1987) [all references are to that Act]:

Sec. 1: This Law is entitled "The Indigenous Medicine Practitioners Association Amendment Act."

Sec. 2: In Section 28(1), substitute "from seven to twenty-five persons" for "seven persons."

Sec. 3: Section 28(A) (1) (B) is amended to read: "From five to ten persons suitable for their interest in the Indigenous Medical Systems

of Burma."

Sec. 4: In Section 28(A) (3) substitute "more than half of the Members of the Committee" for "Four Members of the Committee."

3. Law Amending the Water Tax and Irrigation Tax Law (No. 6 of 1987) [all references are to that Law]:

Sec. 1: This Law is entitled "The Water and Irrigation Tax Amendment Law."

Sec. 2: Section 4 is amended to read: "Any person who draws water for paddy land from irrigation works built and maintained by the Government for crops growing or whose land is protected from flood by a Government-built embankment or drainage canal, shall be responsible for paying into the Treasury a tax according to the scale below every year:

A. Irrigated land fed by canal from a dam built and maintained by the Government: ten kyats per acre or an amount of produce determined according to the crop grown.

B. Land protected from flood by Government-built dams and embankments and drainage canals: five kyats per acre or produce determined according to the crop grown.

C. Land included both under subsections A and B: ten kyats per acre or an amount of produce determined according to the crop grown."

Sec. 3: Insert new Section 4A: "The person responsible shall pay the tax as determined by the Council of Ministers whether in cash or in the planned produce as may be decided. This rate of tax shall be shown in the Finance Bill presented to the Pyithu Hluttaw."

4. Law Amending the Profit Tax Law (No. 4 of 1987) [all references are to that Law]:

Sec. 1: This law is entitled "The Profit Tax Amendment Law."

Sec. 2: Section 3(A) is amended to read: "The word 'tax' means payments to be made under this Law whether in cash, in produce, or in goods."

Sec. 3: Section 4(F) is amended to read: "The Proprietor of a Private Enterprise engaged in wholesale trade and registered in accordance with the Private Enterprises Rights Law is responsible for the payment at the rate and in the manner determined from time to time by the Council of Ministers of tax whether in cash, in produce, or in goods. The rate set by the Council of Ministers is to be shown in the Finance Act presented to the Pyithu Hluttaw."

Sec. 4: Insert new Section 4(G): "After tax has been assessed under Sub-sections B, C, D, E, or F tax will not be assessed in addition under Sub-section A."

Sec. 5: Insert new Section 17(G): "A person covered by Section 4 (F)."

Sec. 6: Section 25 is amended to read: "If a taxpayer fails to pay the tax or a fine within the time laid down or within any extension granted for payment, the balance of tax due or the balance of fine due shall be levied by the assessment agency from the appropriate tax payer in the manner laid down for the collection of delinquent taxes."

5. Law Amending the Burma Registration of Ships Act (No. 7 of 1987) [the reference is to that Act]:

Sec. 1: This Law is entitled "The Burma Registration of Ships Amendment Act."

Sec. 2: Insert new Section 5A: "Notwithstanding anything contained in section 1 and section 5, temporary registration may be granted, with the approval of the authorities, to ships bareboat chartered for a similar purpose in accordance with international practice." [text of insertion in English] (WPD 10/17)

MISCELLANEOUS

Obituaries

Oct. 31: Daw Tin Ohn (Moulmein), widow of the late Sessions

Judge U Than Maung, died in Rangoon, aged 86. (WPD 11/1)

Nov. 4: U Kyaw Hla Oo, retired Deputy Chief Engineer, Electric Power Corporation, and husband of Daw Kyaw Khin, died in Rangoon, aged 62. (WPD 11/5)

Nov. 4: Theophilous Francis Chindooroy (Theo), husband of the late Florence Chindooroy, died in Rangoon, aged 63. Funeral at St. Jude's Church, Nov. 5. (WPD 11/5)

Nov. 7: U Po Zon, husband of Daw Mya Than, and father of Daw Aye Aye Khaing (Dr. L. B. Fields, USA) and U Soe Myat (UN, New York), died at the Rangoon General Hospital, aged 83. (WPD 11/13)

Nov. 9: U Hla Pe, ex-technical consultant (BASF, Bayet, Hoechst AG.), husband of the late Daw Khin Than, died at the Texas Heart Institute, Houston, Texas, aged 69. (WPD 11/11) - Burial will be Nov. 22 at 9th Mile Cemetery, Rangoon. (WPD 11/19)

Nov. 13: State Ovadacariya Reverend Bhaddanta Javana Maha Thera, leading Nayaka of the Zetawun Kyaungtaik in Toungoo, Pegu Division, vassa 72, died at the age of 92. (WPD 11/14)

Nov. 13: State Ovadacariya Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Naninda, leading Nayaka of the Maha Mahawizayayamataik in Pakokku, Magwe Division, vassa 73, died at the age of 92. (WPD 11/14)

Nov. 14: Mr. J. Alick died, aged 63, and was buried in Tamwe Christian Cemetery. Mrs. Dora Alick, Ex.BB, expressed thanks to Rev: Fr: Cecil Bernard and the Sisters of The Good Shepherd for their concern during his illness. (WPD 11/15)

Nov. 17: U Khin Maung Thaw, Consultant Cardiac Surgeon, Rangoon General Hospital, husband of Dr. Daw Khin Than Nyunt, died in Rangoon, aged 60. (WPD 11/19)

Nov. 20: U Joseph Tun Shwe, (BPI), husband of Daw Khin Thein Hsint, died in Insein, aged 55. Burial in Zaw-bwa-gyi-gone Cemetery. (WPD 11/22)

Nov. 25: Mr. Malcolm Gough, Ex U.P.I. Correspondent, died in Rangoon, aged 60. The funeral at the Immanuel Baptist Church will be on Nov. 27. (WPD 11/26)

Narcotics

Nov. 6: The fight against narcotics continues. Poppy and hemp plants were destroyed. Recently, 14 packets of heroin weighing about 5 kilos, worth Ky 6 million, were seized. The Ministry of Health has added phensedyle, howllets with opium mixture, and corex cough to the category of narcotics drugs. Containers of acetic anhydride have been seized. The global war against drugs has reached an important stage. (WPD editorial, 11/6)

Crime News

Nov. 7: Acting on information received, Lashio police arrested one Khawng Daing of Monsi village, Kutkai Township, as he rode a bicycle in front of the Oasis rest house, Bogyoke St., No. 2 Ward, Lashio, at 9:30 am on Oct. 31, and seized six packets of heroin weighing 1.8 kilos. [photo] (WPD 11/8)

Sports News

Nov. 8: Seventh Inter-State and Division Table Tennis Tournament: Rangoon Division retained the Women's Team Championship by beating Kayah State. In the Men's Team Finals, Mon State downed Rangoon Division. (WPD 11/9) - Nov. 12: In the Women's singles, Mi Mi Kyi (Rangoon) defeated Nilar Htwe Aung (Rangoon) 3-1. In Women's doubles, Mi Mi Kyi-Aye Aye Myint (Rangoon) defeated Aye Aye Khaing-Khin Nwe San (Mandalay) 2-0. In Men's singles, Taik Aung (Rangoon) beat Aung Win (Mon) 3-1. In Men's doubles Taik Aung-Hla Myo Khaing (Rangoon) beat Tun Tun-Aung Than (Rangoon) 2-0. In Mixed doubles, Taik Aung-Mi Kyi (Rangoon) defeated Hla Myo Khaing-Nilar Htwe Aung (Rangoon) 2-0. Best player awards went to Taik Aung (Rangoon) and Mi Mi Kyi (Rangoon). (WPD 11/12)

Nov. 13: In the Burma Open Table-Tennis Championship singles, Mi Mi Kyi defeated San San May 3-0 in the women's division, and T.K. Chung walked over Kyi Than in the men's division. In Men's doubles,

Kyaw Myint-Chan Tun downed T.K. Chaung-Kyi Myint 2-1. (WPD 11/13)

Nov. 22: National Volleyball Championship: Construction Women defeated the defending Champion T & C Team, 3-1. In the Men's division, the defending Trade Men's team defeated Transport & Communications 3-0. (WPD 11/23)

Nov. 26: 25th Inter-State and Division Badminton Tournament. Rangoon won. Kay Kay Khine (Rangoon) upset May Maw (Mandalay) 2-0 in the first women's singles. In the second, Theingi Tin (Mandalay) beat Win Mar Han (Rangoon) 2-0. In the first doubles, Kay Kay Khine and Hla Hla Htwe (Rangoon) downed Maw Maw and Khin Khin Hlaing (Mandalay) 2-0. In the second, Theingi Tin and Nu Nu Thin (Mandalay) defeated Su Su Tha Tun and Win Mar Han (Rangoon) 2-1. In the tie-breaker, Hla Hla Htwe (Rangoon) downed Khin Khin Hlaing (Mandalay) 2-0. Pegu and Kachin were joint-third.

In the Men's division, defending champion Rangoon Division retained the title, defeating Mandalay 3-0. In the first singles, Zaw Win (Rangoon) downed Tin Tun (Mandalay) 2-0. In the second, Tun Nyein (Rangoon) beat Soe Myint Tin (Mandalay) 2-0. In doubles, Zeya Lwin and Myint Kyaw Oo (Rangoon) outclassed Maung Maung Myint and Htain Win (Mandalay) 2-0. Sagaing and Irrawaddy were joint-third.

Tun Nyein and Kay Kay Khine won best player awards. (WPD 11/27)

Follow-up on Ferry Disaster

Nov. 27: The Ministry of Transport and Communications says action is being taken against personnel of the Inland Water Transport Corporation directly or indirectly responsible for the sinking of the Rangoon-Syriam ferry Tainglonkyaw on October 5. Legal action will be taken against the serang, helmsman, Township Manager (Syriam) and cargo in-charge. The Township and Divisional Managers, the Marine Superintendent, and the Deputy General Manager (Transport) have been dismissed. The General Manager has been asked to retire. Departmental action is being taken against one upper division clerk, one jetty in-charge, and three lower division clerks for laxity, as well as the special transport inspection team on duty on the day of the mishap. (WPD 11/28)

Engagement

Nov. 29: Maung Tin Shwe (a) M. Aslam, son of Haji U Khin Maung Hla and Hajeema Daw Khin Khu Khu, to Ma Kyin Mar Zin (a) Khairoon Bi, daughter of U Tin Nwe and Daw Khin Win. (WPD 11/30)

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TV Programme - Sunday, Nov. 29

12:30 pm: 1. Sunday Movie: "Saung Ta Nya Waeh" (Starring: Win Oo, Wah Wah Win Shwe)

2:27 pm: 2. Round-up of the Week's Local TV News

2:47 pm: 3. Close Down

7:00 pm: (a) High School Chemistry: "Chemical Calculations (2)" (R); (b) High School Biology: "Ecology (2)" (R)

7:30 pm: 1. Song Variety

8:00 pm: 2. News and Weather Report

8:30 pm: 3. From Scripts to Books

8:47 pm: 4. Battlestar Galactica: The Night the Cyclone Landed" (Part One).

9:33 pm: The Next Day's Programme

9:34 pm: Close Down