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This is the last "out of order issue," and we are back on track.

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POLITICAL CRISIS

Slogans

The four political slogans launched in November 1988 appeared in most issues of The Working People's Daily throughout the month, as did the "Noble Desire" slogan begun in January 1990. We reprinted them in the January 1991 issue.

Since August 1991 the The Working People's Daily has run a Buddhist religious slogan across the top of each front page:

Sept. 1-4: Subhasita ca ya vaca, to speak good and unsinful words; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Sept. 5-11: Matapitu-upathanam, to serve the parents; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Sept. 12-18: Puttadarassa sangaho, to support the wife and children; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Sept. 19-24: Anakula ca kammanta, to be engaged in peaceful occupation; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Sept. 25-30: Dananca, generosity; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Since Jan. 3, 1991, most issues have also run the following slogan:

The interests of the State cannot be served and promoted by
disturbances and instability. Join hands with the Tatmadaw in preventing disturbances and acts of instability.

Cartoons

There continued to be a number of political cartoons in each issue. E.g.:

Sept. 1: "May we Myanmars have right attitude." 1st Myanmar: "Once we Myanmars lost sovereignty owing to lack of discipline." 2nd Myanmar: "Today we must know that if we do not have right concept we may encounter the danger of losing independence." (Thinks): "Lack of regard for patriotism and nationalism."

Sept. 2: 1st Myanmar: "The news items on the exposure of terrorist groups sent to carry out sabotage and destructive activities in Yangon recently mentioned inclusion of Sein Win's National League for Democracy (liberated area) underground parallel government, members of the NLD and Democracy Party and also those of ABSDF." 2nd Myanmar: "Ahe...Ahe ... The parents and the teachers are to be blamed for the conduct of their children and pupils."

Sept. 5: "Martial Law" to "party politician" and "merchant/broker": "If you attempt to harm political stability and the interests of the nation and people... Do not say later that I am unkind."

Sept. 5: "Beware of disguised persons." 1st Myanmar: "Anarchism under the cover of democracy is very dangerous for the nation." 2nd Myanmar: "Of course, those who have loose characters regarding social and economic affairs and are under the cover of party politicians are also very dangerous for the nation."

Sept. 6: Child to briefcase-toting Father: "Papa, when I grow up, please see to it that I am appointed a post like yours at which I will get a lot of bribes."

Sept. 7: One Myanmar to another: "One who killed King Beimmathara was Azartathart the first. In the BCP's purge, expell and terminate practice, Po Htoo who killed Yebau Htay was Azartathart the second. Now there are many Azartatharts the third who are attempting to put the motherland to an end. We should be vigilant against them."

Sept. 7: 1st Myanmar: "There are no more nurses who scold patients, or co-op sales-clerks who tell consumers that goods have been sold out or are not available. 2nd Myanmar: "That's very good." 1st Myanmar: "And service personnel who play chess, read novels, gossip and ask for 'tea money' during work hours are nearly wiped out." 2nd Myanmar: "That's very good too." 1st Myanmar: "But there are buses which charge 2 kyats for a journey that costs only 1 kyat and 50 pyas, giving reason that there is no small change, charge 5 kyats to male and free of charge to female passengers for a seat in the front cab, and which charge 10 kyats at night for a journey that normally costs one kyat ..." 2nd Myanmar: "That's good...Err ... err... That's not good... I mean not good at all!"

Sept. 9: "True Myanmars love their race and religion." Father to hippy son: "Heritage of the great grandfathers is love of genuine Independence, own race, religion and Sasana. For the perpetuity of race and religion, don't discard your own race and religion, stay free of selfish ends. The main cause for the national well being is that you must be pure Myanmar."

Sept. 10: Myanmar Hippy: "I think highly only of foreign countries." Myanmar Adult: "Do you think Myanmars Naing-Ngan will develop only when the system of a foreign country is carbon-copied and only with foreign aid? Then...it pushes your race close to extinction and plunges you back into servitude."

Sept. 11: World Globe shaking hands with Myanmar: "The entire world respects and honours Myanmar Naing-Ngan for its endeavours to achieve all-round development in very short period."

Sept. 12: "Hey friend, now you see the true colours of the KNU." "KNU" soldier with "ABSDF" and "parallel government" in his pockets: "I can kill and eat the chicken in my pocket anytime I like. Now, I am going to beg for rice by showing these monkeys."

Sept. 12: "Love and cherish Myanmarpyi." Western-dressed girl:
"My father is in Japan, my brother in U.K., my sister in U.S. I use only foreign goods and I think highly of only foreigners." Myanmar: "Heck! This girl has a stink of servitude."

Sept. 14: "Use local-made things" Myanmar to worker: "Instead of wasting time by waiting for imported spare-parts for your machine...you'd better use local-made spare parts to save time and cost as well as to contribute towards the nation."

Sept. 14: 1st Myanmar: "Expatriate group led by Sein Win announced that more than 250 elected Pyithu Hluttaw representatives of the National League for Democracy had signed in their support. But those elected Pyithu Hluttaw representatives have officially notified that on the contrary, they did not and do not support the expatriate group." 2nd Myanmar: "It is said that they are aiming to attend the United Nations as a parallel government or something or the other. What a lot of rubbish. The Election Commission will settle this matter. Isn't that so?"

Sept. 15: "Race, Language, Religion" to "Disciples [sic] of Sayar Ba": "Worship whatever you have faith in. But if any contradicting of the Buddha Sasana is encountered ... Hee...hee...hee I'll not look on with folded arms. I'll have to take action."

Sept. 19: 1st Myanmar [from a political party]: "Friend, you look fat, handsome and radiant. I guess you enjoy peace of mind." 2nd Myanmar: "I am free of party politics. I give priority to fulfilling food, clothing and shelter needs and devote my free time to religious practice."

Sept. 21: 1st Myanmar: "Owing to lack of observing discipline, Myanmars once lost their sovereignty." 2nd Myanmar: "This is a historical song on nationalism reminding to keep Our Three Main National Causes in mind forever."

Sept. 22: "Theatre, film, music, literature, art, and sculpture" to "Western Culture": "We totally reject your idea of dominating us to make our national culture become extinct."

Sept. 23: One Myanmar to another: "As it is time to make endeavours for all-round development of the nation, we don't need service personnel who are too clever. We need service personnel who work hard and are devoted to service."

Sept. 23: 1st Myanmar: "It is very heartening to note that contributing donations is one of the characteristics of our Myanmars." 2nd Myanmar: "I know what you mean...donations for Meiktila fire victims and Ayeyarwady flood victims."

Sept. 23: Extremist Party: "It cannot be said that meditation is virtue. Only when one's way of meditation is correct, can one attain virtue and samadi." Our Three Main National Causes: "Not all politickings contribute towards the development of the nation. Only when the way or system is correct, will there be the democratic state which you desire. It is necessary to indulge in national politics."

Sept. 23: 1st Myanmar: "I read in the 21-9-91 issue of dailies, news on discovery of US military plane that crashed during World War II and the news on arrest of heroin-trafficker KIA commander--together with contraband." 2nd Myanmar: "It amounted to providing information in a friendly manner. Very polite... It is Myanmar spirit, Hehehe!"

Sept. 25: Myanmar civilian: "Errr ...About the law... The Pyithu Hluttaw, the highest organ of Power enacted the political pension law in 1980. Errr...the members of Parliament of the past era also enjoyed it." Soldier: "Hmmm...As they are slandering this and that, they will have to suffer for their own sins... tut...tut. Our Defence Services Commander-in-Chief enjoys only the salary of the Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Services...though he has many many duties...take this into consideration."

Sept. 27: 1st Myanmar (pointing): "This person talks falsehoods in ward. He interferes in others' affairs. He spreads rumours too." 2nd Myanmar: "Oh, yes. He can easily get a job at BBC and VOA. Hahaha!"

Sept. 27: "Let's expose them as they are dangerous." 1st Myanmar: "Those who are traitorous and who give assistance to enemies...
are very loathsome and dangerous." 2nd Myanmar: "You mean those hardcores who give assistance to destructionists sent by unscrupulous terrorists."

Sept. 27: 1st Myanmar: "392-77=315 ... 315-244=71" 2nd Myanmar: "What are you calculating? Prosperity or business?" 1st Myanmar: "There are 392 elected Hluttaw representatives from NLD. Of them 77 are no longer representatives due to various reasons. Of the remaining 315, those who said they never supported Sein Win expatriate group as government are 244. So, ..." 2nd Myanmar: "Oh, only 71 remain. Some foreign broadcasting stations announced that the number of those who support expatriate Sein Win are over 200. Thus, Sein Win is the cheat, the cheat is Sein Win. Hahaha!" 1st Myanmar: "Oh, it's now clear. The Commission will handle this matter."

Sept. 28: 1st Myanmar (pointing): "This man came to my home and insulted me rudely." 2nd Myanmar: "What did he say?" 1st Myanmar: "He said, 'Why don't you listen BBC and VOA?'"

Sept. 29: Myanmar woman: "You blame me though I told with good intentions. Do I deserve the blame? Answer me Mr Sweet Bitter Bitter. Are the East and the West the same?"
Western-dressed man: "It does not concern with that. Stop, Miss Patriot, Stop!" Woman: "Yes, if you want to get rights from the West, you'd better go to the West." Man: "Errr...if you want the rights of the East, you'd better go to the East." Woman: The East is the East, the West is the West. You can go where you like.

Sept. 29: 1st Myanmar: "If one makes one mistake after another, associates with mistakes, and keeps on committing more mistakes, one will be mired in mistakes." 2nd Myanmar: "It is the present condition of those youths who were sent to carry out destructive activities as they are following the wrong path by joining the parallel government."

Sept. 29: "Myanmar auspicious greeting." 1st Myanmar: "Good morning, good morning, good morning... Ahok, ahok, ahok..." 2nd Myanmar: "As you are Myanmar, you'd better greet in Myanmar... Then, you will no longer have to suffer asthma. Mingalabar, Mingalabar."

Sept. 30: "One who brings a dead tiger to life will meet certain death." "ABSDF" and "parallel govt" playing with tiger marked "KNU". Myanmar: "You will certainly meet with trouble as you rely on the wicked, evil and wounded tiger that has nowhere to flee due to the offensives of the Tatmadaw and local populace."

Official Books and Periodicals

Officially published books and periodicals are advertised or publicised regularly. These were featured this month:
Book (in Burmese) on Military Tactics (Sold out/Second printing under way).
Book (in Burmese) on insurgencies, by Ye Gaung Kyaw Swa. (Sold out/Second printing under way).
Speech by Gen. Saw Maung, May 1991 (in English and Burmese)

Political Articles

Following the pattern begun in October 1988, each issue contains lengthy feature articles, translated from Burmese, designed to bolster government views and policies. Editorials sometimes touched on similar themes. We note them briefly, with excerpts of typical or particularly significant portions:


Sept. 1: Achievements of the State Law and Order Restoration Council while shouldering State responsibilities (hereafter ASLORC)-Review No 1: Sensational discoveries of new gemlands, by An Observer. [Gem activities.]
Sept. 1: We have friends, by Kyaw Thura. [Cont. "We are Asians, We belong to each other and belong together." Parallels between Myanmar and China.]
ASLORC-Review No. 2: Moves that saved young lives by the
thousand, by An Observer. [SLORC encouragement of students who fled to the "underground terrorist organizations" to return home.]

Sept. 2-3,12,18-28: A review of pre-independence press (1945-47), by Shwe Kalaung. [Cont. (44-48) "This review of pre-independence press (1945-1947) will have revealed the inter-party bickerings and feudings of those days. Such was a characteristic of a multi-party democracy system.... We will now continue with a review of post-independence press (1948-1958)."

Sept. 3-4: ASLORC-Review No. 3: Activities carried out by the State Law and Order Restoration Council Chairman during tours of some States and Divisions, by Maung Aye Nyein. [Travels and speeches of Chairman.]

Sept. 4: ASLORC-Review No. 4: Flourishing of the Sasana, by Khin Aung Tin. [SLORC's religious activities.]

Sept. 5-10,12,19,22,27,29-30: China-Myanmar goodwill visits of great historic significance, by Bo Thanmani. [Cont. (1-12) Review of visits between China and Myanmar since World War II.]

Sept. 5-6: ASLORC-Review No. 5: Constructive Works of the Yangon City Development Committee, by T.H. ["Even those who live in {Yangon} are being constantly surprised by what seem to be instant improvements brought about in the blink of an eye."]

Sept. 6: ASLORC-Review No. 6: New Era of Mutual Trust, by Thura Thamein. [Trust between Government and foreign investors a key to economic development.]

Sept. 7: ASLORC-Review No. 7: Bringing out works of permanent value, by Maung Maung Aye. [Speeches, newspaper articles, books, collections of articles, etc.]

Sept. 7,9: Something about the ranks in the Myanmar Tatmadaw, by A High-Ranking Tatmadaw Officer. ["Designation of ranks in an army is indispensable...." Discussion of army ranks in various countries and in Myanmar.]

Sept. 8: ASLORC-Review No. 8: Education better suited to the needs of the times, by Thura Thamein. [1988 left education in a shambles. The SLORC picked up the pieces and reopened universities, colleges and institutes.]

Sept. 8,13: Is Buddhism a philosophy, and 'ism' or a religion? by Sithu Aung. [The Dhamma is more than a philosophy. It is not an "ism" like Marxism: "In Buddhism that accepts that every phenomenon is impermanent and transient there can be no historical determinism. Buddhism is exclusively for the present...a good present will beget a good past and a good future." Buddhism, unlike other religions, "is not based Faith in Creator nor are Buddhists idol-worshippers." Nor does Buddhism have "a belief in God, a belief in the soul and a belief in the resurrection of the soul on the day of judgement." But like most religions, it does prescribe a code of ethics. In the end, it does not matter what one calls it.]

Sept. 9: ASLORC-Review No. 9: Special projects for development of agriculture, forestry and energy sectors, by Khin Aung Tin. [Survey of projects. "During July this year, an average of 158 BPD crude oil and 16.315 million cubic feet per day of natural gas was extracted...."]

Sept. 10: ASLORC-Review No. 10: Significant role of State Law and Order Restoration Council and its press conferences, by Maung Maung Aye. ["Clarifications and statements made at press conferences can be regarded as invaluable advice for the law abiding people and timely warnings for those who are on the path of unlawful acts."]

Sept. 11,13-15: A visit to beloved friends, by a High-ranking Tatmadaw Officer. [(1) Account of Gen. Saw Maung's August visit to China by a member of his delegation. "I have been well acquainted with China for over 20 years as a researcher. I visited China and went around on a study tour only once before this visit." (in 1980??--HCMacD.)]
"I also saw all the signs and evidence of development achieved in China between 1989 and 1991. The situation in 1989...is markedly different if compared with that of 1980. One can see the changes.... There have been great changes in their style of dress, in their living, in shops, stores, markets, roads, ports and vehicles. I found that the people are satisfied and calm. The Chinese leaders said... that the age of socialism has not become extinct yet.... The people firmly believe that socialism is the only way for development and progress.... The consequence...is the prevalence of political stability ...."

Premier LI Peng presented Gen. Saw Maung with a poem in his own handwriting, as follows:
Up here in the area
I live;
Down there in the area
on the banks of the same river
You live.
The river flows for ever
And we who drink the clear water
from the same river
love each other
With boundless love;

With no end whatsoever.

Sept. 11: ASLORC-Review No. 11: Myanmar's multi-faceted measures against a world-wide scourge, by Maung Yin Swe. [Anti-narcotics activities.]
Sept. 12: ASLORC-Review No. 12: New towns to keep up with burgeoning urban population, by Maung Yin Swe. [Development of new Yangon suburbs.]
Sept. 13: ASLORC-Review No. 13: Roads and bridges lead to greater development and swifter progress, by Maung Aye Nyein. [Rail and road construction.]
Sept. 14: ASLORC-Review No. 14: Reciprocations of Tatmadaw's `cetana' & `metta', by An Observer. [How eight insurgent groups returned to the legal fold.]
Sept. 15: ASLORC-Review No. 15: Multiparty Democracy General Election: Important milestone in nation's history, by Maung Maung Aye. ["The people, the voters and political parties contesting the election were unanimous in concluding that the election was free and fair."]
Sept. 16: ASLORC-Review No. 16: For a Strong and Healthy Nation, by Thura Thamein. [Progress in health.]
Sept. 18: ASLORC-Review No. 18: Exhibitions which manifest Our Three Main National causes and reinvigorate patriotism, by Maung Yin Swe. [Exhibit on the 1988 disturbances, held Sept. 18-Oct. 2, 1989, in Yangon was attended by 336,700 people, and then moved to Mandalay Nov. 11-Dec. 1. Exhibit on The Three Main Causes opened Sept. 18, 1990. An exhibit on making patriotism alive and dynamic, held May 1-Aug. 8, 1991, was attended by 47,000 people and Sangha.]
Sept. 20-21, 22, 26, 28-30: First-person account of the 17-9-88 incident at the Ministry of Trade, by A Tatmadaw Officer. [(1-7) A military version.]
Sept. 22: Where were the so-called human rights activists when King Thibaw was taken away?, by Kyaw Thura. [Banishment of King Thibaw by the British was "the most flagrant violation" they committed. It was "the greatest insult to the Myanmar Nation" and "our nation was deprived of our birthright, our human right."]

Sept. 23-25: Apropos Myanmar History, by Soe Nyunt. [Favorable commentary on Myanma Rawazin by U Ba Than, first published in 1929 and now "chosen for reprinting in the series of patriotic literature."]

Sept. 26: Meting out deterrent punishment, by K.M.O. [Courts should strictly abide by "the directives issued by the Supreme Court to mete out deterrent punishments in cases in which attempts were made to undermine the enforcement of law, disrupting peace and tranquility and conspiring to disintegrate the State."]

Sept. 28: Fitness--A Positive Force, by Ivan King. [Women's Sports activities praised.]

Sept. 30: Two interesting political terms, by Mya Win. ["An alien is one who cannot be trusted, who is unreliable, who possesses all opposite characteristics and who can become enemy.... A subject...means being subservient, subordinate, owing allegiance (to an alien government.")]

ABSDF Terrorists Arrested
Sept. 3: Two men who "received the terrorists sent by Chairman Ko Thein of ABSDF terrorist battalion No. 207" were arrested Aug. 28-29 in Kyauktada and Dawei, with explosives and fuses. [photos] (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 11: The Defence Services Intelligence between Aug. 28-Sept. 3 arrested 12 ABSDF terrorists and hardcores from No. 102 battalion sent to carry out destructive activities in Mawlamyine, and seized weapons and explosives [details]. It was this group that blew up a Z-craft on the Gyaing River on Apr. 17, 1991. [photos] (WPD 9/12)

SLORC Warning to Parties
Sept. 4: Ministry of Home and Religious Affairs Warning No. 1 of Sept. 4, 1991, provides [text]:
1. The [SLORC] (The Tatmadaw) keeps in the fore Our Three Main National Causes to defend and safeguard the various affairs of the country and has held the multiparty democracy general elections as promised. Moreover, it has also laid down programmes to be further implemented.
2. Hence, political parties and some service personnel who have been carrying out deceptive activities against the Government (The Tatmadaw) are hereby warned to stop doing so forthwith.
Lt-Gen Phone Myint
Minister
Ministry of Home & Religious Affairs
(WPD 9/5)

Maj-Gen. Myo Nyunt's Warnings
Sept. 6: Speaking to Division-level political party representatives, Yangon Commander Maj-Gen. Myo Nyunt recalled the incidents in 1974 that led to the enactment of the Law Protecting the State from Dangers of Disruptive and Destructive Elements on Jan. 13, 1975. The incidents were destructive activities at a workers demonstration (which caused loss of K38 million of property) and the incident at the funeral of former UN Secretary General U Thant (K10 million loss) [details]. (WPD 9/7)

"Anarchistic acts have almost been wiped out in the political field. But, those who want to ruin the country, have entered the economic field and are trying to give trouble to the State as they have had no chance to ruin the nation by political means. The [SLORC]...has amended and enacted the Law Protecting... in August to enable the State to immediately crush those who make efforts to disrupt political economic, and social affairs of the State....
Representatives of political parties, present at this meeting, will one day be those who govern the State which will emerge in accordance with Declaration No 1/90 of the [SLORC] .... So from this time on, you yourselves should abide by law and endeavour to make your party members abide by law...." (WPD 9/8)

Sept. 28: Speaking to soldiers at the Central Ordnance Depot, Yangon Commander Maj-Gen. Myo Nyunt said:

"These days, political parties and some service personnel are carrying out deceptive activities in the country as mentioned by the Ministry of Home & Religious Affairs in its Declaration of Warning 1. In the BBC...broadcast...on 9 September, Sein Win said that they were sure that they had to right to stand as a lawful government for they were given mandate at clandestine meetings in Yangon and Mandalay by the majority of the Pyithu Hluttaw representatives elected by the people, that that was why they were a lawful government and that they all were members of NLD. If that news is considered correct, we would like to ask how we will regard the NLD Pyithu Hluttaw representatives' announcement to the effect that they have nothing to do with Sein Win government. In view of these facts, it must be considered that the political parties are deceiving the government.

"During the Lanzin Party period, it was believed that an empty stomach was not conducive to the wholesome morality, but it was found that the administrative machinery collapsed as Lanzin members committed offences in connection with moral turpitude when they were given salaries and other rights. We cannot help wondering how the parties, which cannot afford to pay telephone charges and house rents, today will lead the country. The Tatmadaw is talking about the multiparty democratic system not only now. In addressing the Party Seminar...on 6 November 1969, Chairman of the Revolutionary Council General Ne Win said that what would be contained in the new constitution were individual rights, that action would be taken against personnel who were corrupt, that the people could decide for a single-party or multi-party system and that if the people wanted multi-party system the country would go that way.

"The Tatmadaw government is carrying out work that should be done for the systematic transfer of power. But some political parties demand for immediate transfer of State power and they try to cause disintegration of the Tatmadaw. So Tatmadawmen must always be united...Tatmadawmen must hone the three capabilities and strictly adhere to the Four Oaths of the Tatmadaw. Only then will you all be able to crush all aboveground and underground destructive elements."

(WPD 9/29)

Sept. 29: Speaking at 501 Air Base at Hmawby, Maj-Gen. Myo Nyunt said that "some service personnel have been found to be deceiving the State, and as an example, he cited cases of discrepancies found in personal assurances of some service personnel in connection with the 1988 disturbances." He commented, "Personnel are actually superstars. By superstars I do not mean that they are famous, popular persons. I call them superstars because they not only took part in the disturbances (hsu) but also they are stars at present. Just as they took part in activities to disrupt the State machinery. They are also the ones who are taking advantage of the present situation." He added that although the Tatmadaw is engaged in agricultural and livestock breeding work, the departmental personnel are deceiving with numbers on paper regardless of the State's directives. He then revealed plans to practise award and punishment system on service personnel in October if they fail to carry out the agricultural and livestock breeding work as guided by the State." (WPD 9/30)

Maj-Gen. Tin Oo's Speeches

Sept. 8: Speaking to officials at a co-ordination meeting in Mandalay, State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo said, in part:

"Some service personnel are disrupting our production work and this hinders running of the State machinery. Hence, effective action
These days there are U Nu’s parallel government and liberated area parallel government of Sein Win of NLD. It is found that some party members and Hluttaw representatives are earning their living by unlawful means. It is also found that some party members have brought lethal weapons from terrorists and entered towns and cities to carry out terrorist activities.

"Some Hluttaw representatives have violated...Election Law and some have resigned from being Hluttaw representatives. An as such, action has been taken against some who violated...Election Law. Afterwards, we will have to go on with framing a new constitution in accordance with the programmes of work adopted...."

Speaking of the period of the Tatmadaw Government, he said he could not say how long it would be; it could be five years or 10 years. However long the period might be, service personnel needed to carry out the assigned duties keeping themselves clear of party politics, he added." (WPD 9/9)

Sept. 10: Speaking in Hinthada, State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo said:

"I would like to talk about politics and economy. Some political parties and leftist and rightist destructive elements are spreading all sorts of rumours to distabilize the situation. Some big countries are also interfering in the internal affairs of our country.

"You must be vigilant against the incitements of destructionists and expose them.

"Certain personnel although they are enjoying the State salaries they are carrying out deceptive activities against the Government. That was the reason the Minister for Home & Religious affairs issued Declaration of Warning No. 1.

"It is necessary for the service personnel to report to the authorities if there are family members who have disappeared and those who have contact with the terrorists. Action would be taken against the service personnel for their failure to report the matter to the authorities concerned. (WPD 9/12)

Sept. 21: Accompanying Minister for Home & Religious Affairs and for Information and for Culture Lt-Gen. Phone Myint on a trip to Rakhine State, State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo spoke at Sittway:

"He elaborated how the State had taken measures in connection with the tasks for prevalence of law and order, peace and tranquillity.... He also explained the importance of the Constitution. He said that it would not be possible to hand over power without Constitution in a State. Under such circumstances, legal actions will be taken against those who try to cause disturbances and who try to make against the State Law and Order Restoration Council, he said."

"The Secretary-2 also spoke of the Rohinja movement in Rakhine State. He said Rohinja movement has been created by politicians on the pretext of the Bengalis of the Islamic faith who inhabit the boerder areas in Rakhine State.

"He explained that there is no racial or religious problem in Rakhine State and warned that effective action will be taken against any movement that creates such problems ...." The Secretary-2 spoke of the progress made by the private sector as the State is encouraging the private and co-operative sectors. He attributed the rise in prices of basic commodities to avaricious profit-makers, illegal export of goods and import of goods that fetch huge profits.

"He explained that the Supervision Committees for ensuring smooth and regular flow of goods and bringing down prices of commodities are temporary organizations that are giving impetus to keep the State economy on the track of market-oriented one, and those which have to be engaged in long term are merchants and private entrepreneurs...." (WPD 9/22)
Maj-Gen. Khin Nyunt in Tamu
Sept. 21: Speaking in Tamu [Sagaing], State LORC Secretary (1)
Maj-Gen. Khin Nyunt after praising Myanmar-Chinese relations, "pointed out that Myanmar Naing-Ngan, as a member of the United
Nations, and [sic] is recognized as a legal government. However, he
said that some officials of certain big countries received expatriate
Sein Win's terrorist group and that they were spreading and
broadcasting false rumours in this connection, and that it was not
good." (WFD 9/22)

Historical Exhibit
Sept. 23: SLORC Vice Chairman Gen. Than Shwe met with the
Multiparty Democracy General Election Commission headed by Chairman U
B Htay, and then showed them an exhibit of documents and pictures at
Ministry of Defence Main Hall tracing Myanmar history from
independence to the present, including "books and documents on the
1988 disturbances; activities of Daw Suu Kyi opposing the State
Government and the Tatmadaw; the writings of foreign journals; the
NLD's actions opposing the State; the bio-data of Hluttaw
representatives, scrutiny work and exposures made and other important
evidence and documents...." (WFD 9/24)

ELECTIONS
Most NLD Hluttaws Defy Sein Win
reports that 221 National League for Democracy (NLD) Pyithu Hluttaw
members state "that they did not and do not support the expatriate
group led by Sein Win for its joined the KNU terrorist group and
formed Myanmar Naing-Ngan Amyotha Nyunt-Baung government
unlawfully....":

- Kachin: U Yaw Hsi (Putao); Duwa U Zau Aung (Waingmaw)
- Kayah: U Saw U Reh (Pruhso)
- Kayin: U Aung Than (Papun-1); U Ba Aye (Papun-2); U Tun Chit
  (Hpa-an-2); Nan Khin Htwe Myint (Hpa-an-3); U Saw Tun Lwin
  (Hlaingbwe-2)
- Chin: U Kyaw Tun (Paletwa-1); U Htwe Aung (a) U Htok Aung
  (Paletwa-2)
- Sagaing: U Khin Maung Than (Kani-1); U Do Htaung (Kale-1); U
  Thein Win (Kale-2); U Thein San (Kawlin); U Chit Khaing (Ngazun-1); U
  Cho Hlaing (Ngazun-2); Dr. Khin Maung Swe (Sagaiag-2); U Khin Maung
  Kyi (Salinigy-1); Lt-Col. Kyaw Hsaan (Retd) (Taze-1); U Kyaw Win
  (Htiyagyi); U Ba Nyein (Banmauk); U Hantha Myint (Budalin-1); U Saw
  Aung (Monywa-2); U Bo (Mingin); U Ba Ba (Myinmu-1); U Min Thwin
  (Myaung-2); U Tin Tun Aung (Yinnabun-2); Dr. Aung Bo (Shwebo-1); U
  Than Tun (Shwebo-2); U Tun Myaung (Wetlet-1); U Aung Khin (Wuntho-1);
  U Ba La (Ayadaw-2); U Thant Sin (Kani-2); U Tin Ngwe (Myinmu-2); U Bo
  Thaung (Yinnabun-2); U Htaw Maung (a) U Than Aung Htay (Ye-U-1)
- Tanintharyi: U Hla Min (Kawthoung); U Soe Nyunt (Dawei-1); U
  Kyaw Shein (Myelk-1); U Toe Po (Yebu); U Chein Hin (Launglon-2)
- Bago: U Mya Lay (Kawa-2); U Aye Myint (Gyobingauk-1); U Aye
  (Gyobingauk-2); U San Tin (Zigon); U Ohn Maung (Nyaunglebin-1); U Tun
  Kywe (Nyaunglebin-2); U Aung Soe Myint (Taungoo-1); U Nyunt Wai
  (Taungoo-2); U Sein Tun (Dai-U-2); U Ohn Ngwe (Nattalin-1); U Thaung
  Sein (Pyya-2); U Tin Ohn (Padaung-1); U Thein Han (Padaung-2); U Ohn
  Naing (Paungde-1); U Aye Than (Paungde-2); U Aung Than (Pyu-1); U Soe
  Maung (Pyu-2); U Tint Lwin (Minhla-1); Daw Hla Hla Moe (Minhla-2);
  Dr. Kyaw Kyaw (Yedashe-1); U Paik Chon (Shwedaung-2); U Aung Myint
  (Letpandan-1); U Nyunt Aye (Letpandan-2); U Tin Shwe (Waw-1); U Aye
  Thein (Thanatpin-1); U Htaw Htein (Thanatpin-2); U Aye (Thegon-1); U
  San Win (Thayarwady-1); U Tha Maung (Thayarwady-2)
- Mandalay: U Aung Kyaw Oo (Kyaukse-1); U Kyaw Win (Kyaukse-2); U
  Bo Zan (Kyaukpadaung-1); U Ngwe Tun (Kyaukpadaung-2); U Cho (Nyaung-
  U-1); U Pe Tin (Nyaung-U-2); U Ayeyar (Tada-U-1); U Than Ni (Tada-U-
  2); U Than Tun (Taungtha-2); U Seinn Maung (Natogyi-2); U Tint Lwin
  (Piyinmana-1); U Kyaw (Piyinmana-2); U Saw Shwe (Mahlaina-1); U Maung
Maung Myint (Mahlaing-2); Maj. Maung Maung Myint (Rtd.) (Meiktila-1); Dr. Thein Lwin (Meiktila-2); U Aung Soe (Mandalay NW-2); U Tin Nyunt (a) U Htin Kyaw (Mandalay SE-1); U Paw Khin (Myingyan-1); U Maung Maung Win (a) U Win Maung (Myingyan-2); U Myo Myint (Myittha-2); U Tin Htut Oo (Lewe-1); U Nyi Nyi Tun (Lewe-2)

Mon: U Ye Htut (Kyaikto-1); Dr. Aye Zan (Kyaikto-2); U Myint Thein (Kyaikmaraw-1); Daw Khin Htay Kywe (Chaungzon-2); U Nyan Win (Paung-1); Na Thaung Nyunt (Paung-2); U Maung Maung Latt (Bilin-1); U Maung Maung (Bilin-2); U Lun Tin (Mawlamyine-1); Dr. U Kyin Thein (Ye-2); Hkun Myint Tun (Thaton-1); U Than Maung (Thaton-2)

Rakhine: U Hsan Maung (Kyaukpyu-1); U Tin Gyi (Kyaukpyu-2); U Kyaw Khaing (Taungup); U Maung Kywin Aung (Rathedaung-1); U Thein Maung (Manuang); U Tun Yi (Thandwe); U Nay Win (Ann)

Yangon: U Wun (Kamaryut); U Ba Swe (Kawhmu); U Tun Soe (Kyauktada); U Than Nyein (Kyauktan-1); U Yu Gan (Kungyangon); U Sein Win (Hseikkyi-Khanaungdo); U Hla Thein (Tarmway-1); U Thein Myint (Tarmway-2); U Mya Hlaing (Twantay-2); U Hla Tun (Taikkyi-1); U Soe Myint (a) Thakin Soe Myint (South Okkalapa-1); U Tin Ko Ko (Htantabin); U Aung Zaw (Dagon); U Sein Win (Dalla); U Maung Maung (Dawbon); U Aung Shwe (Mayangon-1); Daw Win Myint (Mayangon-2); U Aung Khin Sint (Mingala Taungnyunt-2); U Kyi Win (Mingaladon-1); U Tin Tun Maung (Mingaladon-2); Dr. Than Win (North Okkalapa-1); U Kyaw Nyunt (North Okkalapa-2); U Soe Tin (a) U Hmauby-1); Daw Khin Aye Myint (Yankin); U Kyi Myint (Latha); U Shwe (Hline-1); U Saw Mya Thein (Hline-2); U Saw Kyaw Sein (Hlegu-1); U San Tin (Hlegu-2); U Nay Oo (Lannawad); U Ohn Myint (Tharaytha-2); U Thein Nyunt (Thingangyunn-1); U Myint Thein (Thingangyunn-2); U Lwin (Thongwa-1); U Kyaw Nyunt (Thongwa-2); U Win Naing (Tanyin-1); U Than Win (Tanyin-2); U Tun Hlaing (Insein-1); Capt. Than Kywe (Rtd.) (Hlinethaya); U Sein Lwin (Shwebyitha); U Tun Ohn (Dagon Myothit)

Shan: U Sai Lon Kyauk (Kengtung-1); U Sai Yi Tip (Kengtung-2); U Kyaw Khin (Taunggyi-1); Hkun Pe Htwe (a) Hkun Yadana Hao (Taunggyi-2); U Sun Hsaing (Tachileik); Daw May Phyo (Namtu); U Aung Than (Findyaya); U Sai Nwe (Monghpypak)

Ayeyarwady: U Saw Lwin (Kyaunggon-1); Dr. Hla Win (Kyaunggon-2); Dr. Ye Myint (Kangin); U Than Tin (Kyaiklat-1); Dr. Sit Tin (Kyaiklat-2); Col. Kyi Win (Rtd.) (Zalun-2); U Aung Kyaing (Nyaungdon-1); U Tha Soe (Nyaungdon-2); U Myo Nyunt (Dedaye-1); U Than Tun (Dedaye-2); U Win Myint (Danubyu-1); U Thaung Yi (Danubyu-2); Dr. Tin Min Htut (Pantanaw-1); Mahn Nyunt Thein (Pantanaw-2); U Nyunt Hlaing (Pathein-East-1); U Hla Kyi (Pathein-East-2); U Min Swe (Pyapon-1); U Win Kyaing (Bogale-1); Dr. Sein Myint (Bogale-2); U Aung Kyin (Maungmya-1); U Soe Min (Mawlamyine-1); U Hla Pe (Mawlamyineyunn-1); U Tin Hla (Mawlamyineyunn-2); U Hla Myint (Winner of Independence Mawgun Award Grade I) (Maubin-2); U Tin Oo (Myanaung-1); U Myint Thein (Myanaung-2); U Nyunt Win (Yekyi-1); U Kyi Win (Labutta-1); U Aye Kyu (Labutta-2); U Hsan Myint (Laymyethna-2); U Tin Aung (Wakema-1); U Hla Myint (Thabaung-1); U Than Win (Thabaung-2); U Mya Than (Hinthada-1) (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 25: Election Commission Announcement No. 968 of Sept. 25 adds the following 23 names to the list:

Kachin: U Maphang Sin (Khaubude); U Tun Kyi (Mogaung); U Thaung Ngwe (Momauk); U N Nan Gam (Machambaw)

Kayin: U Sein Bo (Myawady)

Chin: U Ngin Thuang (Tiddim-1)

Sagaing: U Pe Than (Taze-2); U Kyi Soe (Monywa-1)

Bago: U Chit Maung (Htantabin); U Myat Hla (Bago-2); U Soe Lwin (Shwemyin)

Magway: U Aung Htoo (Gangaw)

Mandalay: U Wan Maung (Takton-1); U Pan Tha (Natogyi-2); U Khin Maung Nyo (Pyawbwe-1); Dr. Aung Wai (Madaya-1); U Than Lwin (Madaya-2); U Maung Maung Myint (Yamethin-1); U Maung Maung Than (Yamethin-2)

Mon: Daw Tin Saw Oo (Mudon-1); U Maung Maung Gy (Thanbyuzayat-1)
Tasks Still Undone

Sept. 16: Election Commission Announcement No. 966 of Sept. 16 notes that the Commission still has tasks to perform, although "the voters... have done their duty well, since they cast their ballots... in the multiparty democracy general election held on 27 May 1990. The [SLORC] (Tatmadaw) "held... the free and fair multiparty democracy general election the fourth of the proclaimed major tasks," even though the first three were not yet finished "for the people to gain experience and practice for the smooth transition from the one-party system to the multiparty system." The various voting officers and commissions "carried out their respective work well..."

Now, however, there remain the tasks of hearing "objections on certain elected Hluttaw representatives," and of scrutinizing "whether the elected Pyithu Hluttaw representatives have received financial support from foreign governments and organizations and from self-seeking moneyed people and capitalists; whether there has been give-and-take of money for one Pyithu Hluttaw representative to stand for the election under certain party organizations which had favourable conditions to win in the election and whether there have been false accounts given in the returns of election expenditures of Hluttaw candidates." "The [SLORC] (Tatmadaw) Government will accept the Commission's final report only if the Commission has carried out all the tasks of the election... and submit it properly."

The following rules apply:

If election expense returns are not filed, even by a losing candidate, "it shall be decided that he and his election agent are disqualified persons," but they have a right "to defend" themselves.

If the non-submitting candidate won, "the Township Zone Sub-Commission or... the person assigned by the Government for this purpose shall submit a report.... To decide whether the elected person is a disqualified person or not, a report shall be made to the Election Tribunal. During the pendency of the decision the Commission... shall await the decision of the Election Tribunal without passing any orders."

"The Commission... shall publish... the names of Hluttaw representatives who have been decided as disqualified, the candidates who have lost in the election and their election agents... and shall also note that they were disqualified against their names in the electoral roll."

"It is hereby announced that the Commission will inform the public of the findings in connection with the scrutiny of returns of election expenses which have been submitted by the Pyithu Hluttaw candidates and the actions taken by the Commission from time to time." (WPD 9/17)

Party Registration Changes

Party registration changes announced by the General Election Commission [recorded by Party as in previous issues].

(2) National League for Democracy: member U Chit Khaing is expelled "as he has not resigned from the party although he has resigned as the elected Hluttaw representative of the Taungtha Township Constituency 1, Mandalay Division." [See below under (42) Patriotic Old Comrades League] (WPD 9/14)

(10) Graduates and Old Students Democratic Association. CEC member U Sai Tun Aye has resigned. (WPD 9/27)

(18) Democratic Party for New Society. VCh U Kyaw Win Thein has resigned. (WPD 9/27)

(25) Patriotic Youth Organization. GS U Aung Win (Kaung Aung); JGS U Thein Tun; and CEC members U Khin Maung Myint (Taikkyi), Salai Tam Aung have resigned. New officers are GS U Khin Maung; Secs. U Aung Soe min and Daw Cho Cho Than. Reassigned to other subcommittees are former CEC members U Aung Kyaw Zaw, U Win Oo, U Aung Thin. (WPD
(27) Myanmar Naing-Ngan Democratic People's Power Organization. GS Waithali U Phone has resigned and been replaced by Daw Ni Ni Moe. (WPD 9/18)

(37) United National Congress. JGS U Hla Win has resigned. (WPD 9/18)

(42) Patriotic Old Comrades League. GS U Chit Khaing is expelled because he resigned as Pyithu Hluttaw member for Taungtha-1 "without making any submission to the party." [See above under (2) National League for Democracy] (WPD 9/14)

(112) League of Peasants' Union. CEC member U Tun Aung has died. (WPD 9/18)

(162) People's Pioneer Party. VC U Myint Aung has resigned. (WPD 9/18)

(214) United Nationalities League for Democracy. The Union Kayin League (13), Shan Nationalities League for Democracy (45), Shan State Kachin Democratic Party (132), and Kamans National League for Democracy (163) have left the alliance. (WPD 9/26)

(215) Union of Myanmar Democratic Front. The United National Congress (37) has left the alliance. (WPD 9/27)

**Hluttaw Members Resign**

Sept. 1: Election Commission Announcement No. 963 of Sept. 1 authorizes Pyithu Hluttaw member U Chit Khaing (Taungtha-1) to resign "on his own wish." [See above under Party Registration Changes: (2) and (42)] (WPD 9/2)

Sept. 27: Election Commission Announcement No. 969 of Sept. 27 authorizes NLD Pyithu Hluttaw member U Tin Myint (Thayetchaung) to resign. (WPD 9/28)

**DIPLOMATIC**

**Diplomatic Calls**

The following calls were paid on Burmese officials by foreign Embassy or UN officials accredited to Burma.

Sept. 3: Indian Ambassador Shri Preet Mohan Singh Malik on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 6: Laotian Ambassador Lydeng Thammavong on Minister for Home & Religious Affairs and for Information and for Culture Lt-Gen. Phone Myint. \ Philippine Ambassador Ms. Rosalinda V. Tirona on Minister for Transport & Communications and for Social Welfare and for Labour Lt-Gen. Tin Tun to discuss aviation and marine matters. (WPD 9/7)

Sept. 9: Korean Ambassador Hang Kyung Kim on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 10: Philippine Ambassador Ms. Rosalinda V. Tirona on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/11)

Sept. 12: Polish Ambassador Lucjan Mieczkowski on SLORC Vice-Chairman Gen. Than Shwe, and on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 17: WHO Representative Dr. Klaus Wagner on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel, to discuss receipt of US$4,000 for Ayeyarwady flood relief. More medicines will arrive soon. (WPD 9/18)


Sept. 27: Republic of Korean Defence Attaches Col. Ui Kyun Na (who is returning home) and Col. Sang Jim Yang (his replacement) on
Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services and Commander-in-Chief (Army) Gen. Than Shwe. (WPD 9/28)

Ambassador to Laos
   Sept. 2: U Maung Maung, Myanmar Ambassador to Laos, left for his post. (WPD 9/3)
   Sept. 27: On Sept. 25 he presented credentials to President Kaysone Phomvihane in Vientiane. (WPD 9/27)

Ambassador to Viet Nam
   Sept. 4: U Win Shein, Myanmar Ambassador to Viet Nam on Aug. 31 presented credentials to Vice-President Nguyen Quyet in Hanoi. (WPD 9/4)

Mexican Ambassador Arrives
   Sept. 5: Mr. Manuel Uribe Castaneda presented credentials to State LORC Chairman Senior General Saw Maung as Mexican Ambassador to Myanmar. Later he called on Minister for Energy and for Mines Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin, and on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/6)

Ambassador to Pakistan
   Sept. 10: U Pe Thein Tin on Sept. 5 presented credentials in Islamabad to President Ghulam Ishaq Khan as Myanmar Ambassador to Pakistan. (WPD 9/10)

Ambassador to Australia to Post
   Sept. 15: Myanmar Ambassador to Australia U Saw Tun left for Australia. (WPD 9/16)

World War II Plane Crash
   Sept. 20: Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw informed U.S. Charge d'Affaires Franklin Huddle, Jr., that the Tatmadaw had found debris from a US C47-A military plane that crashed in Northern Myanmar during World War II. He provided photocopies of 4 dogtags and a list of recovered objects. He also told the Charge "that the KIA terrorists are now engaged in narcotic drug trafficking." KIA Battalion 12 Commander Eihsat was captured with one kilo of heroin on Sept. 17, in the area of Mong Khawng, Kaikhtaik and Sikhangyi. (WPD 9/21)

Ambassador to Australia
   Sept. 27: U Saw Tun on Sept. 25 presented credentials to Governor-General Bill Hayden in Canberra as Myanmar Ambassador to Australia. (WPD 9/27)

Thai Plane in Forced Landing
   Sept. 28: A Royal Thai Air Force L-19 Observer aircraft, piloted by Capt. Witf Anu Rusmee, strayed into Myanmar air space, ran out of fuel, and made an emergency landing on the Yangon-Mandalay Highway 16 miles north of Bago. (WPD 9/29)

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Workshops and Courses
   Sept. 2: A Workshop on Curriculum Development, co-sponsored by the Myanmar Educational Research Bureau and UNESCO, was held with 35 participants and observers. Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein noted that a UNESCO team first came to Myanmar in 1947, and another in 1951. He said "The first part of sector analysis jointly done with UNESCO during our time has been completed. The summary report has also been received. The full report is being prepared.... It is necessary for the State to put their suggestions and advice into practice .... There was an education system in which students learn their lessons by heart. It is necessary for us to draw up a
curriculum in which the students are required to really understand their lessons." (WPD 9/2) // Sept. 12: Researcher Mr. Kazuo Ishizaka of the National Institute for Education Research of Japan called on Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein, after attending the Workshop. (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 17: A Workshop on Computer Use in Teacher Education, sponsored by the Education Ministry and UNESCO, opened. 14 trainees are attending and it will last until Sept. 21. (WPD 9/18)

Sept. 19: A Workshop on Current Trend of Teaching of Science, sponsored by the Education Ministry and UNESCO, opened; it will last until Sept. 23. (WPD 9/20)

Sept. 24: A Workshop on Curriculum and Materials Development for Teacher Education, sponsored by the Education Ministry and UNESCO, opened in the presence of UNESCO Assistant Resident Representative Miss Flavia Pansieri, Consultant Dr. Kyunghui Lee, and Chief Technical Adviser on the Project for upgrading and strengthening Teacher Training Colleges Dr. Rupert Maclean. The workshop will continue to Oct. 12. Dr. Lee, from Kyunghee University in Korea, Dr. Maclean, and another participant, Dr. Patrick Lynch of the Centre for Education of the University of Tasmania, called on Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein. (WPD 9/25)

Japanese Painting Contest
Sept. 6: The Japanese Red Cross Society invites entries to the 91st International Pictures Contest in Konichiwa. Theme is "Protecting of Health & Life" and entries are due at the Myanmar Red Cross by Sept. 25. Competitors must be Township Red Cross Brigade members aged from 7-18. Pictures must be 364mm x 515mm and may be in water colour or oil. (WPD 9/7)

Colombo Plan Meeting
Sept. 9: Mr. John Ryan, Director of the Colombo Plan Bureau, called on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel to discuss the 34th Consultative Committee Meeting to be held in Yangon in 1992. (WPD 9/10)

Myanmar Donations
Sept. 28: Shopkeepers at Bogyoke New Market donated 205 sets of robes, 222 string belts, and K85,399 for monks in Laos and Cambodia. (WPD 9/29)

Foreign Donations
See also Meiktila Fire and Ayeyarwady Flood relief.
Sept. 24: the Mimatsu Corporation Group of Japan donated 2 light garbage trucks and two fire engines to the Yangon City Development Committee. Vice Chairman Mr. Yasumasa Kida of MCG made the gift. He also visited a concrete plant near Ywathitchaung in Ahlon Twp. [Yangon]. (WPD 9/25)

Sept. 26: A bronze Buddha Image donated by the Thai Queen Mother and Royal Family arrived, accompanied by images of Shin Sariputtara and Shin Moggalana, one royal umbrella, two royal fans, an oil-light stand, a model Thai royal Karaweik barge, two vases, and a bell. (WPD 9/27) // Sept. 27: The Buddha was conveyed to the Mogok Refectory. (WPD 9/27) // Sept. 28: It was consecrated at Mogok Soonsakyaung, Kaba Aye Hill [Yangon]. (WPD 9/29)

FOREIGN VISITORS

Business Visitors
Sept. 13: Managing Director Mr. Don Pantle of Bell Helicopter Asia Ltd. of Singapore called on Minister for Transport & Communications and for Social Welfare and for Labour Lt-Gen. Tin Tun to discuss "supply of necessary spare parts for Bell helicopters being used in Myanmar Naing-Ngan as well as joint activities to be
carried out between Myanma Airways and Bell Helicopter Textron, USA, on overhauling helicopters." (WPD 9/14)

Sept. 19: Managing Director Mr. Li Shanghui and Project Manager Mr. Xu Wen of the China National Aero-Technology Import and Export Corporation called on Minister for Transport & Communications and for Social Welfare and for Labour Lt-Gen. Tin Tun. (WPD 9/20)

Academic and Non-Profit Visitors
Sept. 18: A Nigerian delegation headed by Mr. Shuaib Uthinan Yolah of the National Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies of Nigeria called on SLORC Vice Chairman Gen. Than Shwe. (WPD 9/19)
Sept. 19: Prof. Oao Toru of the Myanmar Language Department of Osaka University in Japan, in Yangon for two months to "study the variations of Myanmar usages," called on Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein, to discuss Myanmar language teaching an the compiling of a Japanese-Myanmar dictionary. (WPD 9/20)
Sept. 20: Senior Adviser Mr. Bob Raitt of the Royal Institute of Public Administration (UK) called on Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein. (WPD 9/21)

International Agency Visitors
Sept. 4: A three-member delegation headed by the Chairman of the Regional Animal and Health Commission for Asia and the Pacific (APHCA) [not named], including Director-General of the Veterinary Services of Malaysia Dr. Ahmed Mustaffa and Regional Veterinary Officer Dr. Masau Sasaki of FAO in Bangkok, arrived, and called on Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries and for Agriculture & Forests Lt-Gen. Chit Swe. (WPD 9/5)
Sept. 6: WHO advisors Dr. B. Thylefos and Dr. R. Pararajasegaram of the project for prevention of trachoma and blindness, accompanied by WHO representative Dr. Klaus Wagmer, called on Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein. (WPD 9/7)
Sept. 17: World Meteorological Organization Secretary-General Dr. G.O.P. Obasi, accompanied by Regional Director Mr. Ho Tong Yuen, called on Minister for Transport & Communications and for Social Welfare and for Labour Lt-Gen. Tin Tun to discuss meteorological and hydrological work in Myanmar and cooperation with WMO. (WPD 9/19)
Sept. 20: Dr. Obasi called on SLORC Vice Chairman Gen. Than Shwe. He also gave a lecture on "Climate Change--Its Impacts and Response Strategy" at the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology Conference Hall. He was accompanied by his Special Assistant Dr. R. D. Guzman. (WPD 9/21)
Sept. 21: They left. (WPD 9/22)
Sept. 25: A UNDP and World Bank delegation, headed by Mr. Soussan, called on Minister for Energy and for Mines Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin to discuss the energy sector of the Sixth UNDP Country Programme. (WPD 9/26)

Japanese Aid Delegation
Sept. 6: Mr. H. Arakawa, Director of the Overseas Economic Co-operation Fund (OECF) of Japan, called on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/7)

Laotian Narcotics Delegation
Sept. 6: Head of Secretariat Mr. Bounkam Theuambounmy of the Lao National Commission for Drug Control and Supervision, accompanied by Mrs. Khamsouk Sisaleumsak, met with Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw to discuss Myanmar-Lao co-operation in drug abuse control work. The delegation arrived Sept. 5. (WPD 9/7)
Sept. 7: The delegation met members of the Myanmar Narcotics Drug Abuse Control Central Committee to discuss drug abuse control and crop substitution in border areas. (WPD 9/8)
Sept. 9: The meeting concluded and signed the Agreed Minutes. (WPD 9/10)
Sept. 10: The delegation returned home. (WPD 9/11)
Israeli Justice
Sept. 17: Israeli Justice of the Supreme Court Dr. Shlomo Levin, called on Attorney-General U Tha Tun. (WPD 9/18)

Yunnan Vice-Governor
Sept. 25: Vice-Governor of Yunnan Province, China, Mr. Jin Ren-Qing and party of five arrived on a goodwill visit. He called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, who hosted a dinner. (WPD 9/26) // Sept. 26: He called on State LOYC Secretary (1) Maj-Gen. Khin Nyunt to discuss economic cooperation and road building, and on Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel. (WPD 9/27) // Sept. 27: He met with trade and technical officials from many agencies. (WPD 9/28)

MYANMAR DELEGATIONS

Study Delegations
Aug. 31: Assistant General Manager Daw Khin Hla Myint of Myanma Department Stores, Assistant Manager Daw Nu Nu Kyi of General Merchandise Trading, Dr. Daw Khin Myat of Man Golden Crown Enterprises, and Daw Aye Aye Than of Golden Fish Trading left for New Delhi to attend a training course on small business creation and development for women entrepreneurs. \\ Staff Officer U Aye Ngwe and Security Officer Daw San San Myint of the Labour Department left for Manila to attend a two-month course on accountancy under ILO auspices. (WPD 9/1)

Sept. 2: Eight teachers left for Australia to attend a three-month teaching course on Teacher Education Via Distant Education at the University of New England. They are Daw Khin Thein Myint (Bogale Teachers Training School [TTS]); U S Aung Ba (Mandalay Teachers Training Institute [TTI]); U Soe Min (Mawlamyine TTI); U Tin Maung Maw (Bogale TTS); Daw Mya Kyi (Sagaing TTS); Daw Than Than Htay (Thaton TTS); U Thein Myint (Mandalay TTI); and Daw Ohn Mar (Yangon TTI). \\ Principal Daw Aye Myint of Hmawby Technical High School left for Germany Aug. 31 to study School Management and School Administration for the Field of Vocational Training under German sponsorship. \\ Office Superintendent U Myint Aung of the Foreign Relations Department of Medical Research left for Thailand for Training in Research Methods (Management) under WHO sponsorship. (WPD 9/3)

Sept. 3: Director-General U Win Htin of the Fisheries Department left for La Toja, Spain, to attend a one-month fishery seminar. The Myanmar Ambassador to France will also attend. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 4: Research Officer Daw Mi Mi Thet Nwe of the Bee-keeping Division of the Ministry of Livestock Breeding & Fisheries left for a two-week tour of Japan. \\ Staff Officers U Than Maung and U Hla Myaing of the Agricultural Mechanization Department left for India to attend 3-month courses in, respectively, handling, maintaining and repair of agricultural machinery and equipment and handling and use of farming equipment. (WPD 9/5)

Sept. 5: General Manager U Hla Kyi and Assistant General Manager U Maung Maung of Myanma Agricultural Produce left for Korea and Malaysia at the invitation of Ande and CIE SA of Singapore, to study modern technology on production of bran oil from Sept. 5-14. (WPD 9/6)

Sept. 10: Assistant Manager U Kyi Lwin of General Merchandise Trading left for Bombay to attend a 3-month course in the 24th Annual Certificate Programme in Packaging under the Colombo Plan. (WPD 9/11)

Sept. 11: A Myanmar Red Cross delegation led by President Dr. Hla Nwe left for China to study Red Cross works in China. Members are Honorary Treasurer U Tun Myint, Deputy Assistant Secretary Daw Nu Nu Yi, Mingaladon Ambulance Brigade Company Commander U Ko Toe, and Mayangon Ambulance Brigade Company Commander Daw Hla Yin. (WPD 9/12)

Sept. 25: The delegation returned. (WPD 9/26)

Sept. 14: Assistant Supervisor U Myat Tun Oo of Myanma Farms
Enterprise left for Egypt to attend a 3-month Fish Culture Development Course. (WPD 9/15)

Sept. 15: A delegation from the Yangon City Development Committee headed by Secretary U Pau Aung left for Seoul to study urban development activities, housing plans, and mills and factories under the auspices of M/s Multigate Group of Korea. Other members are Deputy Department Heads U Nyunt Pe and U Kyaw Than, Head of Office U Thaung, and Township Development Administrative Officer U Soe Win Shein. Accompanying the delegation is Deputy Planning Director U Waing. (WPD 9/16) // Sept. 27: The delegation returned. (WPD 9/28)

Sept. 16: Rector Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt of the Institute of Economics left Sept. 14 for the Philippines to attend the Finalization Workshop for the Bank's Study of Economic Reforms in Selected Planned Asian Developing Countries, to be held in Manila by the Asian Development Bank Sept. 16-18. \ Assistant Manager U Win Lwin of No. 2 Paper Mill (Yeni), Myanma Paper and Chemical Industries, Department Head U Nyan Tun and Deputy Research Officer Daw Win Mar of the Paper Research Department, Central Research Organization, left Sept. 15 for India to attend the Workshop on Small Scale Chemical Recovery, High Yield Pulping and Effluent Treatment in New Delhi, Sept. 16-20. \ Principal U Hla Myint of Hinthada Technical Institute and Assistant Lecturer Daw Than of Thayarwady Agricultural Institute left Sept. 14 to attend a 12-day seminar in Manila on Research on Curriculum Development and Evaluation in Technician Education, held under Colombo Plan auspices. \ Deputy Factory Manager U Kyi Win of Factory No. 5, Myanma Heavy Industries, left Sept. 14 for Czechoslovakia to attend the Fourth Consultation on the Capital Goods Industry with Emphasis on Machine Tools from Sept. 16-20, held under UNIDO auspices. \ Deputy Directors U Kyaw Win and U Tin Win, and Assistant Engineer U Sein Tun, of the Waterways Department, left Sept. 14 for China to attend a seminar on riverine transport and the maintenance of waterways from Sept. 16-25, held under ESCAP auspices. (WPD 9/17)

Sept. 19: Deputy Director (Accounts) U Myint Tun of the Printing and Publishing Enterprise and Manager U Hmwe Kyi of The Working People's Daily left for the Netherlands to study paper industries for 12 days. (WPD 9/20)

Sept. 22: Assistant Director U Mya Than Tin and Staff Officer U Aung Thit from the Labour Department left to attend the 69th International Course on the Role of the Labour Movement in National Development being held in Israel Sept. 24-Nov. 17. (WPD 9/23)

Sept. 23: Senior Research Officer Dr. Esther Ohnmar Myint of the Medical Research Department left for Britain for post-graduate study leading to an MSc (Immunology), under a UNDP grant. \ Ten faculty members from the Government Technical Institutes (GTI) and Technical Teachers Training Institutes (TTTI) of the Technical, Agricultural and Vocational education Department left for 3-month technical course in New Zealand under UNDP auspices. They are Tutor U Khin Win, Assistant Lecturer Daw Toe Toe Than, and Lecturer U Myo Lwin of Insein GTI; Tutor U Tun Tint, Assistant Tutor Daw Swe Swe Myint, and Lecturer Daw Myint Myint Kyi of Mandalay GTI; Lecturer Daw Phyu Phyu Aye of Meiktila GTI; Assistant Lecturer Daw Win May of Pyay GTI; and Assistant Lecturer Daw Tin Than and Lecturer Daw Mya Kyi of Insein TTTI. (WPD 9/24)

Sept. 25: Tutor U Thaung Nyunt of the Japanese Language Department of the Institute of Foreign Languages left for Japan Sept. 24 to attend a long term training program sponsored by the Japanese Foundation. \ A delegation headed by Prof. U Nyan Thin of the Geology Department, Mawlamyine University, left for Beijing to study universities in China. Other members are Prof. U Sein Win of the Yangon Institute of Technology, Prof. Dr. Tin Myint and Prof. Daw Po of Yangon University, and Prof. Daw Winnie Murray of Mandalay University. (WPD 9/26)

Sept. 26: Deputy Research Officer U Shwe Than of Fine Instrument Department of the Central Research Organization left for Austria to attend a six-month course on Nuclear Instrumentation,
Maintenance and Repair under the Environmental Radiation Monitoring Project, beginning Oct. 1. (WPD 9/27)

Sept. 28: Managing Director Dr. Khin Maung of Medicines and Medical Equipment Trading left to study pharmaceutical factories at Ciba Geigy Company and Smith Kline Beecham Company in Switzerland, Germany, France, and Britain from Sept. 28-Oct. 18. Director General U Tun Shwe of the Labour Department left for Chiba, Japan to attend a seminar of regional officials on high technical training course co-sponsored by the ILO and Japan from Sept. 19-Oct.9. Staff Officers U Nyein Lwin and U Thein Htay of the Agricultural Mechanization Department left to attend a course on rural water supply (outside region) in Japan and Korea. (WPD 9/29)

Delegations to Meetings

Sept. 9: Deputy Director-General U Khin Maung Oo of the Directorate of Trade left for Seoul to participate in a Sept. 11-13 Symposium on Corporate Policies and Competition for Development held under UNCTAD auspices. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 13: A delegation led by Director-General U Ba Thwin of the Forest Department left for France, via Singapore, to attend the Sept. 17-26 Tenth World Forest Conference in Paris. Other members are Director U Soe Kyi of the Forest Department and General Manager U Oak Soe of Myanmar Timber Enterprise. After the conference, the delegation will visit Italy to discuss a project on conservation and nurturing of tropical forests in Myanmar at FAO headquarters in Rome. (WPD 9/14)

Sept. 13: A delegation led by Chief Justice U Aung Toe, with Supreme Court Director U Soe Myint, left for the 4th Conference of Chief Justices of Asia and the Pacific, held in Perth, Australia, Sept. 18-20. (WPD 9/14) // Sept. 25: It returned. (WPD 9/26)

Sept. 14: A delegation led by Minister for Energy and for Mines Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin left for Malaysia to attend the Sept. 16-18 Highlevel Roundtable Conference on Fiscal and Administrative Strategies for Nineties in Petroleum Development, sponsored by the UN Centre on Transnational Cooperation. Other members are Director General U Tin Tun of the Energy Planning Department, Director (Engineering) U Pe Kyi of Myanmar Oil & Gas Enterprise, and Lt. (SG) Thaung Kyaing (Navy), Personal Staff Officer. (WPD 9/15) // Sept. 23: The delegation returned. (WPD 9/24)

Sept. 16: Rector Dr. Tun Maung of Mandalay University left Sept. 15 to attend a meeting of the Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee in Canberra, Sept. 17-19. (WPD 9/17)

Sept. 20: A delegation comprising Director of Indigenous Medicine Dr. Aung Naing and Principal of the Mandalay Institute of Indigenous Medicine U Hla Myint returned from the Sept. 13-16 2nd Traditional Medicine Conference in Kathmandu, Nepal. (WPD 9/21)

Sept. 22: Director (Research) Dr. Thein Hlaing of the Medical Research Department, and Lecturer Dr. Than Nu Shwe of the Institute of Medicine-1 left for Indonesia to attend the Meeting on Epidemiological Research in Reproductive Health, being held under WHO sponsorship. (WPD 9/23)

Sept. 25: A delegation headed by Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein left for the Maldives to attend the 9th Ministerial-level meeting of members of the WHO South East Asian Region. With him went Director-General of the Health Department Dr. Maung Kyaw and the Minister's personal secretary. Health Department Director Dr. Kyaw Win and Deputy Director (Foreign Relations) Dr. Kan Tun had already left, to attend the 20th meeting of the WHO Programmes Development and Administrative Consultative Committee and the 44th meeting of the WHO South-East Asian Region Committee. (WPD 9/26)

UNGA Session

Sept. 26: Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw left for New York to attend the 46th United Nations General Assembly session. He
was accompanied by Director-General U Aye Lwin and Head of Branch U Aung Htoo. Director-General U Ba Thwin, Directors U Khin Maung Win, U Kyaw Tint Swe, and U Mya Than, Assistant Director U Paw Lwin Sein, and Head of Branch-1 U Hla Myint had left on Sept. 12. (WPD 9/27)

Delegations Return

Return of delegations whose departure was announced in previous months:

Sept. 3: The delegation to Thailand led by Minister for Home & Religious Affairs and for Information and for Culture Lt-Gen. Phone Myint to coordinate presentation of religious titles to Thai Sayadaws returned. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 4: The delegation headed by Yangon Mayor U Ko Lay returned from the World Cities and Their Environment Conference in Toronto, Canada. (WPD 9/5)

MYANMAR GAZETTE

Probationary Appointments

The SLORC made the following appointments, on probation:

Sept. 18: BN/1086 Capt. Hla Min, Tactical Flotilla, Tatmadaw (Navy), Ministry of Defence, to be Director-General, Marine Administration Department, Ministry of Transport & Communications.
BN/3154 Cmdr. Pe Than, Deputy Commander, Ayeyarwady Naval Region Command Headquarters, Ministry of Defence, to be Managing Director, Myanmar Port Authority, Ministry of Transport & Communications. (WPD 9/19)

GOVERNMENT

U Ohn Gyaw New Foreign Minister

Sept. 18: SLORC Announcement No. 1/91 of Sept. 18 reads that:
"With a view to ensuring the practice of the independent and active foreign policy of the Union of Myanmar more dynamic and successful [sic], the State Law and Order Restoration Council hereby announces that the duties of the Minister for Foreign Affairs held by Senior General Saw Maung have been assigned to U Ohn Gyaw with effect from today." (WPD 9/19)

Historical Commission Law

Sept. 24: SLORC Law No. 12/91 of Sept. 24, the Myanmar Historical Commission Law, establishes a Commission, to be established and regulated by the Government:

"(a) to promote systematically History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan with supporting documents;
(b) to search for and collect together within the country and from abroad, the supporting documents of the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
(c) to make research of the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan based on the supporting documents searched and collected era [sic];
(d) to promote the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan based upon the findings of the research made according to different era;
(e) to seek the required assistance relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan from the relevant department, organization and people;
(f) to promote and publish relevant historical writing or book, treatise and official records concerning the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
(g) to encourage for the emergence of historians."

The Duties of the Commission are:

"(a) shall be responsible to the Government;
(b) leading systematically in promoting the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan in conformity with the objects of the Commission;
(c) directing the Universities Historical Research Department for implementing the works;
(d) prescribing works for the experts from the Universities
Historical Research Department:
(e) scrutinizing historical writing or book, treatise, official records etc relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
(f) preserving systematically copy-right, book supporting documents relating to the History of Myanmar Naing-Ngan;
(g) carrying out the duties given by the State Law and Order Restoration Council and the Government."
The Powers of the Commission are:
"(a) forming the necessary sub-commissions and carrying out;
(b) procuring assistance from the government department and organizations, other organisation and the people;
(c) purchasing from within the country and abroad, taking on loan, accepting, copyright, book and supporting documents."
The Ministry of Education will finance the Commission. It will form the Universities Historical Research Department under the Higher Education Department, which will take over the duties and powers of the Yangon University History Department (Research). (WPD 9/25)
Sept. 29: The Government of Myanmar, under Notification No. 17/91 of Sept. 26, formed the Myanmar Historical Commission called for by the Myanma Historical Commission Law, as follows:
Chairman: The Minister for Education
Vice Chairman: Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt, of the Committee for Compiling Authentic Facts on the History of Myanmar [hereafter CCAFHM]
Secretary: The Director-General of the Higher Education Department
Members:
CCAFHM members U Tin Ohn, U Than Htut, Dr. Ohn Khaing, and U Maung Maung Tin
Myanmar Language Commission Historians [hereafter MLCH] Dr. Than Tun, U Yi Sein, U Hla Shein, and Daw Khin Su
CCAFHM member DAW Tin Sein
MLCH Daw Khin Khin Ma
Prof. U Tun Aung Chein, Yangon University (Main) History Department
Ambassador (retd) U Thein Myint
Part-time Members:
U Htin Fatt and U Htin Gyi
Managing Director of the News and Periodical Enterprise U Soe Nyunt
Chief Executive Officer U Thein Sein of Myawady Ltd.
Consultant U Aung Khin Tint of the [SLORC] Office
Acting Commandant of the Tatmadaw Museum Lt-Col. Ye Htut
Director Col. Aung Thein of the Directorate of Public Relations and Psychological Warfare
Director-General U Kyaw Lwin of the Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana
Director-General Col. Than Maung of the Department of Archaeology
Director-General U Than Maung of the National Archives
Myanma Architect U Win Maung of Mandalay
Director-General U Ba Thwin of the International Organizations and Economic Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Pro-Rector Dr. Than Nyunt of the Institute of Economics. (WPD 9/30)

MILITARY

Insurgent Attacks
Sept. 5: KNPP (Kayinni) terrorists on Aug. 30 stopped a bus near Panting Village, 6 miles from Maesae [Kayah], robbed the passengers and burned the bus. (WPD 9/6)
Sept. 19: 20 KNU insurgents attacked a convoy of seven vehicles carrying 140 construction volunteers and laterite at Thitchaukpin, Kawkareik Twp. [Kayin] on Sept. 18; 3 civilians were killed and 5 wounded. (WPD 9/20)
Sept. 20: KNPP (Kayinni) insurgents on Sept. 11 fired on travellers 7 miles from Pasawng on the Pasawng-Loikaw motor road, killing two and wounding two. (WPD 9/21)

Pirates Captured
Sept. 6: Operating jointly under the Tanintharyi Division security plan for coastline and the sea, police and army units from Feb.-Aug. 1991 "captured 15 pirates alive and nine dead." Also captured were 12 rifles of various sorts, 6 pistols, ammunition, 15 outboard motors, 4 boats, a motorcycle, 1.5 viss of opium powder, fertilizer, cement, radios, gold, and jewels [details]. [photo] (WPD 9/7)
Sept. 17: From Aug. 22-Sept. 7, 9 coastal pirates gave themselves up to the Kyunsu Twp. authorities in Tanintharyi, along with 8 weapons and assorted ammunition. [photo] (WPD 9/18)

KNU Grenade at Thamada Cinema
Sept. 24: A US-made hand grenade exploded Sept. 23 in front of the Thamada Cinema in Yangon, wounding 7 people. Three women fainted. It was dropped from a yellow Datsun pickup truck at 8:55 pm. It is believed to have been set off by KNU terrorists. (WPD 9/24) 
Sept. 25: Photographs of wounded. (WPD 9/25)

Insurgents Surrender
Sept. 28: Between July 27-Aug. 8, 22 insurgents surrendered, with their arms. [names and details] (WPD 9/29)
Sept. 30: Between Aug. 9-16, 20 insurgents surrendered, with their arms. [names and details] (WPD 9/30)

ECONOMIC

Economic Articles
Sept. 4-5,10,16-17,23,25: The Regions of our Brethren: Where the State Law and Order Restoration Council's Goodwill Blossoms Forth, by Ngwe Kalaung. [Cont. Pacification and Development in Wa and Kokang Regions, and other Border Areas.]
Sept. 27: Secure and smooth transportation by means of waterway, by Myint Swe. [Cont. {from Aug. 4} (4) Description of riverboat transport.]

Construction Projects
Sept. 1: The K562,000 Central Command sports ground in Mandalay was inaugurated Aug. 29. (WPD 9/2)
Sept. 7: The Galaingchaung Hydroelectric Power Station at Hoping, Mohnyin Twp. [Kachin] was inaugurated Sept. 7. It provides 24-hours per day service in Mohnyin, Nammar, and Hoping. (WPD 9/8)
Sept. 10: A K2.5 million branch of the Myanma Economic Bank was inaugurated in Kawthoung [Tanintharyi] on Sept. 5. (WPD 9/11)
Sept. 12: The Kyethayasaung Clock Tower was inaugurated at Aukkyin Ward in Thaton on Sept. 8. It cost K825,000. (WPD 9/13)
Sept. 13: A K5.35 million two-storey hospital was inaugurated Sept. 10 at the Myanma Railways Myitngai railway loco-shed in Mandalay. (WPD 9/14)
Sept. 23: The Namshanchaung Hydroelectric Power Station at Kunhing [Shan] was commissioned on Sept. 19. It has a capacity of 150 kilowatts; with the installation of another 75 KW generator, the station will provide 24-hour power to Kunhing. (WPD 9/24)
Sept. 29: State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo attended the inauguration of the Upper Kyimyindine Road [Yangon]. It was built for K701,788 less than the budgeted K6,294,618. Later, visiting Shwepaukkkan Myothit, he was told that 4,000 plots have been created, 3,500 allotted, and houses have been constructed on over 1,000. (WPD 9/30)

Joint Ventures
Sept. 12: "Contracts for joint venture mining of tin, tungsten,
sheelite and mixed ore...were signed for the first time...." The Chairman of the Tin, Tungsten, Sheelite and Mixed Ore Mining Enterprise Supervision Central Committee, Managing Director Col. Tin Win of No. 2 Mining Enterprise, "said...that the aim of signing contracts was to eliminate illegal mining activities. He further explained that joint venture mining work would be carried out in altogether 18 blocks--three in Mawchi region, eight in Pyinmanaa region, three in Mawlamyine region and four in Myeik region. He called on the joint venture partners to strive for their own interest and for the country as well." (WPD 9/13)

Food Supplies

Sept. 1: A meeting was held at the Ministry of Co-operatives to coordinate "measures for ensuring regular flow of commodities and for stabilizing and bringing down prices."

State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo told officials that "following the news of flooding in Ayeyarwady Division and drought in the up-country there were rice and cooking oil price fluctuation. He stressed the need to counter fabricated news and rumours that rice and cooking oil would be scarce in the country in an attempt to destabilize the political situation.... [The] rice supply was not only sufficient but also in surplus...[and] there would be new harvest in about two months ...."

Minister for Planning & Finance and for Trade Brig-Gen. Abel "said that there was a rise in the price of commodities following news of flooding in Ayeyarwady Division and drought in the up-country.... Total cultivated acreage [of paddy] was over 12.3 million acres and successful acreage was over 11.7 million. The total yield therefore would be over 660 million baskets if per acre yield was 56.92 baskets. [If] Seed paddy, loss and wastage and reserves for farmers were taken into consideration there would remain about 127 million baskets. So there was sufficient paddy supply every year, he said.... There would be no problem regarding rice and...rice in hand could be supplied in advance for one or two months' consumption."

"Concerning rumours that the problem of scarcity of rice could arise due to flooding in Ayeyarwady Division, the Minister said total acreage under water was over 200,000. There was no need to worry, he said .... Plans were being made for growing paddy or other crops or breeding fish in the affected areas, he added."

"Director-General U Saw Aye Ko of the Co-operatives Department "said that consumers did not have to worry about rice and cooking oil and stressed the need for the co-operative societies to supply rice, cooking oil, salt and other commodities on a regular basis." (WPD 9/2)

Sept. 4: 3,000 tons of edible palm oil (15,789 drums) arrived on the MV Myeik. "Palm oil will also be sold to individuals and organizations (joint ventures, co-operative societies, importers and exporters) that have opened foreign exchange accounts.... More palm oil will continue to arrive by MV Hpa-an, MV Bagan, and MV Pinya. (WPD 9/5)

Sept. 6: 1,500 metric tons of edible palm oil (7,894 drums) arrived on the MV Hpa-an. (WPD 9/7)

Sept. 12: More palm oil arrived on the MV Bagan "for sale to the public." (WPD 9/13)"

Sept. 23: More edible palm oil has arrived at Yangon on the MV Pinya; previous consignments arrived on the MV Myein, MV Hpa-an, and MV Bagan earlier this month. It has been imported by General Merchandise Trading for the consuming public, and will also "be sold to the organizations and individuals who have opened accounts with the Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank and the Myanmar Investment and Commercial Bank" at reasonable prices. (WPD 9/24)

Sept. 26: The Merchants and Brokers Association of Yenanchaung Twp. [Magway], between Sept. 15-19, distributed 200 drums of edible palm oil, bought in Yangon, to 11,593 households in 14 wards, each household receiving 1.5 viss at K70 per viss. (WPD 9/27)
Trade & Commerce Associations
Sept. 2: The Buthidaung-Maungdaw Border Trade Traders Association was formed in Maungdaw on Aug. 26, attended by over 50 traders. An executive committee was chosen with U Shwe Tha as chairman and U Tun Hla as secretary. (WPD 9/3)

Sept. 5: The Tachilek Border Traders Association was formed in Tachilek on Sept. 2. A 15-member Executive Committee and a 7-member Central Executive Committee were formed. (WPD 9/6)

Sept. 9: The Myeik-Kawthoung Chamber of Commerce for Border Trade was formed in Myeik (Mergui) on Sept. 6. A 15-member Central Executive Committee with U Khin Maung Gyi as Chairman and U Myint Lwin as General Secretary was formed. A "frontier office" will be opened in Kawthoung "for carrying out border trade" and a regular office in Myeik. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 10: The Myeik-Kawthoung Border Traders' Association was formed Sept. 6 in Myeik (Mergui), in the presence of 50 traders. A 30-member Executive Committee and a 15-member Central Executive Committee was formed, with U Khin Maung Gyi as Chairman and U Myint Lwin as General Secretary. (WPD 9/11)

Sept. 24: The Shan State (North) Chamber of Commerce and Industry was formed Sept. 21 at the Maw-shweli Hotel in Lashio. Chamber Chairman U Kyi Maung received the new organization's licence. (WPD 9/25)

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Trade Fairs Authority Formed
Sept. 4: The Ministry of Trade's Notification No. 19/91 of Sept. 4 announces formation of the Trade Fairs Authority of Myanmar. Its Chairman is the Director-General of the Trade Department and its Secretary the Managing Director of the Inspection and Agency Services. There are 17 members. (WPD 9/5)
China Trade Order
Sept. 9: Ministry of Trade Order No. 7/91 regulates the China-Myanmar Border trade as of Oct. 1, 1991. "According to the Order, duties were assigned to the Myanmar Export Import Services and the Union of Myanmar Muse Namkham Traders' Association for supervising border trade activities" under the border trade system. (WPD 9/10)

Financing for Military Units
Sept. 10: A ceremony was held "to disburse loans by the State for the first time to units and regiments for enhancing the Tatmadaw agriculture and livestock breeding activities." The Myanmar Agricultural and Rural Development Bank will extend K4.19 million in loans to military units under the Yangon Command. (WPD 9/11)

Technical Demonstrations
Sept. 14: A technical seminar on Karaoke machines, video tapes, and cassette tapes, imported by Htoo Htet Trading Co. Ltd. was held by Director U Khin Maung Kyi. A demonstration of Dagon Myanmar software computerized system invented by Myanmar youths was held at Myawady Ltd. The system was invented by Editor U Myint Thu of Myawady Ltd. and youths Ko Moe Kyaw and Ko Nwe Myint Thein. (WPD 9/15)

Gen. Saw Maung Views Gems
Sept. 17: State LORC Chairman Senior General Saw Maung inspected gems mined at Mogok from July-September 1991, including a 952 carat velvet-blue raw sapphire, and numerous rubies, including two weighing 737 and 285 carats respectively. They will be sold at the forthcoming 29th Myanma Gems Emporium. [photos] (WPD 9/18)

Rainfall in Yangon
Rainfall since January 1, 1991, in inches, at Yangon's three weather stations of Yangon Airport (YA), Kaba-Aye (KA), and Central Yangon (CY) was:

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Sept. 6: "The Southwest Monsoon has been weakened from 1st September to 5th September 1991. Due to the break in the Southwest Monsoon the following weather phenomena are observed... (c) There are complete lack of rain, 100 percent deficit rain, in Monywa, Myingyan, Meiktila, Nyaung-Oo and Chauk Townships, 50 percent to 92 percent below normal in Sagaing Division (except Hkamti and Mawlaik Townships), Chin State, Mandalay Division, Hsipaw Township, Kayah State, Rakhine State, Magway, Bago (except Pyay Township), Ayeyarwady and Yangon Divisions. 32 to 242 percent above normal in Hkamti Township and Rakhin State." (WPD 9/6)

SPORTS

Sports Teams Abroad
Aug. 31: Khin Khin Htwe stood 10th in the women's 1500 metre heats at the Third World Track and Field Championships in Tokyo, and set a new Myanmar record with 4:12.21. She stood 21st out of 39 runners in the event. In the women's 3000 metre heats she came in 9th and set a new Myanmar record of 9:07.44; she stood 25th out of 40 participants in the event. (WPD 9/1)

Sept. 7: The Myanmar Youth Football team at the 8th Lion City Cup Tournament (under 16) in Singapore on Sept. 6 defeated Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur) 4-0. (WPD 9/8) // Sept. 15: The Myanmar Youth Football team won the Tournament, with a 2-0 victory over Singapore. // Sept. 18: The team returned to a big welcome. It had defeated Malaysia (Kuala Lumpur) 4-0 on Sept. 6, Malaysia (Johor) 9-0 on Sept. 9, Hong Kong 4-0 on Sept. 11, and Singapore 2-0 on Sept. 15. Aung Hsan Htwe won the best player award and Than Nyunt was the best scorer. (WPD
Sept. 7: The Myanmar youth (under 18) team returned from good-will matches in Bangkok, Sept. 1-7. It won on Sept. 3, and tied on Sept. 5. (WPD 9/8)

Sept. 9: A Myanmar Track and Field Team, headed by Track and Field Federation Joint Secretary U Mya Than Htike, left for the 69th Malaysia Track and Field Invitational Championships in Kuala Lumpur. Members are Khin Khin Htwe, Aye Aye Nwe, Philip, and Augustine. (WPD 9/10) // Sept. 17: The team returned. Myanmar won 4 gold, 2 silver, and 3 bronze medals. Khin Khin Htwe won gold in the 800, 1,500, and 3,000 metre events. Aye Aye Win won gold in discus throw. Augustine won silver in 5,000 and 10,000 metre events, and bronze in 3,000 metre hurdles. Philip won bronze in the 5,000 and 10,000 metre races. (WPD 9/18)

Sept. 12: A team headed by Badminton Federation Secretary U Myint Tun left for Tehran, Iran, to take part in the 1st Asian Youth Badminton Tournament. "Shuttlers" are Tun Tun Zaw and Kyaw Swa Lin. (WPD 9/13) // Sept. 27: Tun Tun Zaw won the bronze medal. He will return home Sept. 29. (WPD 9/28)

Sports Delegations Abroad
Sept. 9: Volleyball Federation Chairman Tatmadaw Provost Marshal Col. Myint Lwin left for Bangkok to attend the Sept. 10-12 general meeting of the Asian Volleyball Federation. With him is Federation Secretary U Tin Oo. (WPD 9/10) // Sept. 12: They returned. (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 21: Assistant Director of the Sports and Physical Education Department, Mandalay Division, U Thet Tun left for India to attend the Asian Olympic Council meeting in New Delhi. (WPD 9/22)

Foreign Teams
Sept. 9: A Singapore youth badminton team led by Mr. M. Ihsan Nather arrived to play goodwill matches from Sept. 10-12 at the National Stadium. Games at 3:00 pm; admission K10. The team includes two instructors, 8 men, and 4 women "shuttlers." (WPD 9/10) // Sept. 10: The goodwill tournament opened. (WPD 9/11)

Host for 1995 SE Asian Games
Sept. 15: State LORC Secretary (1) Maj-Gen. Khin Nyunt announced Myanmar's intention to host the 1995 South-East Asian Games, and said that extensive preparations would have to be made. (WPD 9/16)

Holes-in-One
Sept. 9: An ace was scored by U Myint Than at the 194-yard par-3 hole of the Yangon Golf Course on Sept. 7. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 21: Two aces were scored on the same hole at the Myanmar Golf Club. U Win Htein scored his hole-in-one on the 12th hole using a No. 2 Iron and an Altus ball. U Tin Myint scored using a Pinseeker No. 7 Iron and a Titleist (Unocol) ball. (WPD 9/25)

Sept. 23: A hole-in-one was scored by Lt-Col. Maung Maung Hlaing at the 17th hole of the Defence Services Golf Course at Mingaladon on Sept. 22. He used a No. 6 Iron and a Dunlop No. 65-I ball. (WPD 9/24)

Traditional Sports
Sept. 3: The paikkyaw-chin tourney for the Yangon City Mayor's Trophy (1991) will be held Oct. 15-30. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 12: The 11th Monsoon Chinlon Championships will be held Sept. 13 at the Aung San Gymnasium. (WPD 9/13) // Sept. 13: Shields were presented to the winners, in the final day of the four-day tournament. (WPD 9/14)

Sept. 13: Those who ordered the Documentary book on the 2nd Myanmar Traditional Boat Race for the SLORC Chairman's Cup can get them at K75 each from the Department of Information and Public Relations, 22-24 Panhsodan St. [Yangon] (WPD 9/14)
Sept. 23: There will be traditional tug-of-war contests (men and women) for the Traditional Sports Federation President's Trophy on Oct. 25. Teams may register by Sept. 30, with a fee of K100. (WPD 9/24)

CULTURAL

Literary and Cultural Articles
[Note: The cultural insert for the Sept. 22 issue was replaced with a SLORC chronology insert, and the scheduled sections of continuing articles apparently were simply skipped.]

Sept. 1,8,15: 20th Century Myanmar Poets & Poems, by Htila Sitthu. [Cont. (97-99,101) "Poet Naung: Thirteen selected poems."
Sept. 1,9,15: Dhana Poet U Ywai, by Daw Khin Myint (Innlay).
[Cont. (9) "Reveals three hitherto unknown pyos & two poets." (10-11) "Parables on the five precepts."]

Sept. 1,9,15,29: Short Stories. [Cont. (1-4) (8-10,12) "Shwe chit, Ngwe chi, by Tint De. (1) Cont. "Vocal Art" by Pe Than. (2-3) "Be happy, be merry" by Pe Than. (4) "General Maha Bandula" by U Thein Maung. (4) "My cousin Hnin Mya" by Pe Than.

Sept. 15,29: Poems on ancient Bagan, by Zawgyi (in Myanmar and English). [Cont. (29) "Their wish, their prayer."]

SLORC Films, Plays, and Songs
Aug. 31: Documentary films on the religious, social, and economic activities of the SLORC will be screened in Yangon cinemas from Sept. 1-30.
Aug. 31, Sept. 4: Titles are:
-- 26th (also 27th) Myanma Gems, Jade and Pearls Emporium'
-- 30th Batch of CSA
-- 42nd Anniversary Independence Day Dinner
-- 43rd Anniversary Union Day
-- 44th (also 45th) Anniversary Armed Forces Day
-- Chinese cultural variety dances (No. 1)
-- Excursion trip of Union Day delegations
-- Excursion trip to ADNG-20
-- Grand Ceremony for offering dry rations
-- Historical trend of Myanma politics and national objectives
-- Inaugural ceremonies of Theingyi Zay square pedestrian overpass and Insein railway overpass
-- Inaugural ceremony of Daewoo and Singapore department stores
-- Inaugural ceremony of Namting Bridge
-- Mon-yit Yan-swai Pyithu An-dayai Ka-kwe Taik-phyet Let-chin-set
-- Myanma Chinlon
-- Myanma Traditional Boat Race
-- Myodaw Thant-shin Thaya-yay
-- Observations of discipline leads to safety
-- Offering of Gold Thingan
-- Presentation of Titles
-- Presentations of Titles and Decorations (1990)
-- The beauty of border areas (Nos. 1-5)
-- The People's Square and People's Park
-- The Theingottara Sacred Garden
(WPD 9/1,5)

Sept. 3: Special radio plays on the activities of the SLORC will be broadcast on Radio Myanmar:
-- Kyo-pyat-thaw-Sun (Sept. 5)
-- Ananda-khayee-mahote-pa (Sept. 7)
-- Ye-thaw-mathay (Sept. 11)
-- Wan Tapang hma-son-hso-kwe (Sept. 13)
Sept. 13: In commemoration of the SLORC's achievements, "songs of modern and stereo vocalists will be telecast and broadcast over Myanmar Radio and Myanmar Television. Titles are:
- Thamaing Ta-khit Hsan-thit Lar-pyi Myanmar Pyi by Accordion Ohn Kyaw
- Gita Takhit Hsan-thit Pyi by Accordian Ohn Kyaw
- Pyi-daung-su-gyi Ah-way-ka Myin-hnaing-thi by Hinthada Myint Ngwe
- Chit-sa-yar Myanmar-pyi by Hinthada Myint Ngwe
- Pan-pwint thit-myar by Thu Khamein Hlaing
- Niang-Ngan Dawthit by Mya Than San

Myanmar Education Committee
Sept. 3: The Myanmar Naing-Ngan Education Committee held its first meeting with 17 members present. It was addressed by State LORC Secretary (1) Maj-Gen. Khin Nyunt. He said the SLORC had in three years opened 5,000 new primary, 360 new middle, and 132 new high schools, and appointed 37,977 more people as Primary Assistant, Junior Assistant, and Senior Assistant Teachers.

During the three years, SLORC spent Ky8,101,000,000 on education. Renovation of universities and colleges cost Ky24,377,000. A Ky119 million college would be opened in Tiddim [Chin], and arrangements were made to open the Mandalay Institute of Technology and Mandalay Institute of Economics.

387 Education Department personnel, including 155 scholars, were sent abroad.

In the border areas, 86 more primary schools were opened and 253 more teachers appointed; the State spent Ky7.9 million on education in the border areas. (WPD 9/4)

Myanmar Music Asiayon Discussed
Sept. 4: The "five strata for the formation of the Myanmar Naing-Ngan Music Asiayon" met. Participating were Chairman U Win Htut (Kaytu Win Htut), Sagaing U Hla Shwe, Gita Lulin U Ko Ko, Al U Soe Myint, U Min Naung, Accordian Ohn Kyaw, U Thukhamein Hlaing, U Kyaw Min, U Khin Maung Htoo, Gangawtaw U Myo Aung, U Nay Win (Mandalay), U Khaiing Htoo, and U Peter Ba Thwin. They formed an Organizing Committee. (WPD 9/5)

Literary Trust Fund Founded
Sept. 9: The Literary and Journalist Organization [LJO] has founded the Literary Trust Fund "to give support to the writers who have contributed towards promotion of literature and who are in ill health or who live in poverty." Various writers contributed a total of about Ky50,000 to the fund; donations may be sent to the LJO at 529 Merchant St., Yangon. (WPD 9/10)

Universities Council Meeting
Sept. 12: The Council of University Educational Institutions held its meeting No. 2/91 in Yangon, under the chairmanship of Minister for Health and for Education and Chief Commanding Officer of the Universities Training Corps Col. Pe Thein.

"Matters relating to reopening of classes at institutes of medicine and dental medicine, curricula for correspondence course and Workers College, opening of National Computing Center Ltd. (NCC) course and course on aviation technology at Yangon Institute of Technology were ...presented." (WPD 9/13)

New Newspaper Planned
Sept. 16: A first meeting was held to launch Myadaw, an evening newspaper to be published by the Yangon City Development Committee.
The paper will "enable the public to learn the prices of commodities, trade and commerce and the social and economic events which take place daily," and will "include television and movie programmes and social and economic advertisements." It will be "published soon." (WPD 9/17)

Relics

Sept. 18: Director General U Than Maung of the Archaeology Department on Sept. 16 presented awards of K150,000 to the finders of 16 ticals of antique gold ornaments in Bago Division. (WPD 9/19)

Universities to Reopen

Sept. 19: All classes at the Yangon Institute of Technology, Mandalay Institute of Technology, Institute of Economics, Institute of Agriculture, Institute of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary, and Institute of Computer Science and Technology will reopen for the 1991-92 academic year on October 1. All classes in all other universities, degree colleges, colleges, the Workers College, the Mandalay University Evening Course, and the University Correspondence Course will reopen Oct. 7. (WPD 9/20, correction 9/21)

MISCELLANEOUS

Crime News

Names and addresses of culprits generally included.

Aug. 31: The Myeik [Mergui] anti-drug squad on Aug. 21 seized 17 kilos of heroin from two houses. (WPD 9/1)

Sept. 1: The Myeik anti-drug squad on Aug. 19 seized 4.9 kilos of marijuana. (WPD 9/2)

Sept. 2: Following its operation against smugglers in Rakhine State [see August BPS, p. 31], the National Intelligence Bureau on Aug. 12 it arrested five persons for "illegal transactions and remitting of dollars" from Myanmar to Singapore. The five dealt with one Shaubiku Islam (a) Maung Ba in Singapore. They illegally imported goods from Singapore, used kyat profits to buy goods for smuggling into Bangladesh, converted the Bangladesh taka into dollars and transferred them to Singapore. Seized were K290,000 and contraband (seasoning powder, soap powder, moth balls, toothbrushes, vests, and milk powder) worth K250,000. [photos] \ Police seized 49 kilos of marijuana from six persons near Talaing-ai village, Htantabin Twp. [Bago]. (WPD 9/3)

Sept. 3: A Pabedan Twp. [Yangon] Assistant Administrative Officer was arrested Aug. 30 for taking a K8,000 bribe from a contractor. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 6: The Mandalay anti-drug squad on Aug. 9 seized 12 litres of phensedyl [details]. \ A Bangkok, Thailand, newspaper has reported the arrest on Aug. 15 of 20 Kayin nationals of Myanmar citizenship producing fake medicines on the Myanmar-Thai border for sale in Myanmar through KNU terrorists. Five packages of rice powder and 2 packages of tetracycline, as well as pill machinery worth 200,000 bahts, were seized. (WPD 9/7)

Sept. 8: Kawkareik [Kayin] security units on Aug. 16 seized 3.7 litres of phensedyl at Kyondee jetty. (WPD 9/9)

Sept. 9: Soldiers seized 5.4 kilos of heroin at Lashio Railway Station on Sept. 6. \ Police in Meiktila on Aug. 4 seized 4.1 kilos of marijuana from a house in Meiktila. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 10: Two snatch-and-run thieves were arrested Aug. 17 by Kyimyindine Twp. [Yangon] police, and a gold chain recovered. (WPD 9/11)

Sept. 11: Bhamo security forces seized 2.9 kilos of opium from a KIA terrorist on July 30. (WPD 9/12)

Sept. 12: The Mawlamyine anti-drug squad on Aug. 26 seized 16.2 viss of jade on a boat between Mottama (Martaban) and Mawlamyine. (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 14: Lashio Railway police on Aug. 30 seized 1.2 kilos of heroin from a train passenger. (WPD 9/15)
Sept. 15: Mogaung police seized one kilo of heroin and K101,500. (WPD 9/16)

Sept. 16: Four men who "got drunk, stabbed innocent people and then fled on 8 September were finally caught by the authorities concerned .... Some unscrupulous elements took advantage of the news and spread rumours that the four convicts in white prison attires escaped from the prison and went on a killing spree...and that over 20 people were killed, that a person who came to a video show went berserk in Htauakyant, he killed nine other viewers with his knife and left saying that he would go to Bogyoke Market, that the mad killer stabbed five or six persons in the back...and fled and that the killer had entered downtown Yangon and went on killing children. The rumours spread to Bago...." In fact, 14 people were stabbed by four persons, of whom 3 died, 5 were hospitalized, and 6 received first aid. [Photos] \"Ywathitkyi Village militia, Hopang Twp., Kachin, seized 0.12 kilos of heroin. (WPD 9/17)

Sept. 18: Lashio Railway Police on Aug. 19 seized over one kilo of heroin from two women at the Lashio station. (WPD 9/19)

Sept. 23: DSI officials seized 3 kilos of heroin from a car in Hsipaw [Shan] on Sept. 11. \ DSI officials seized 63 kilos of opium in Peinsai village, Kengtung Twp. [Shan] on Sept. 20. Various people were arrested. (WPD 9/24)

Sept. 24: Paukkhaung Twp. [Bago] police on Sept. 11 rounded up the notorious gang leader Kyee Aung (38), wanted for murder, robbery and dacoity. They found a pistol and hand grenade on him. (WPD 9/25)

Sept. 26: Paukkon police, Taikkyi Twp. on Sept. 1 arrested two men for cutting off and stealing the tusks of an elephant named "Aung Toe". \ North Okkalapa Twp. police on Sept. 16 seized 251 illegal teak logs and 81 planks at Shwepaukkan jetty, which had been floated down from Wachaung village, Hlegu Twp. Two men were booked. (WPD 9/27)

Sept. 27: Eastern Command troops on Sept. 3 caught three suspicious persons with 7 kilos of opium in the Kyet-hin-gathi-taung area of Mongton Twp. [Shan]. The three fled. (WPD 9/28)

Sept. 28: Htantabin [Yangon] police on July 13 seized 8.2 kilos of marijuana from a vehicle going from Zayatgyi to Taungoo. (WPD 9/29)

Obituaries

[English language obituaries only; there are occasional obituaries in Burmese as well.]

Sept. 5: Nu Niang Khaw Hau, wife of U G. Thang Khan Mung, Assistant Manager, Myanma Agriculture Enterprise, died in Yangon, aged 41. [Christian] (WPD 9/7)

Sept. 6: (BBS) U Hla Bu (a) Percy Loo-Nee, husband of Daw Nyunt (Olive), father of...Patrick (UNDP) ...died in Yangon, aged 68. [Christian] (WPD 9/8)

Sept. 6: U Saw Oo, (a) Gon Yaung (a) Journalgyaw Saw Oo, well-known writer and journalist, husband of Daw Tin Yi, died in Yangon, aged 71. [lengthy article] (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 13: Naw Aye Mai, widow of Moo Sao Kaw Kasa Saw Hunter Tha Mwe, died in Yangon, aged 92. [Christian] (WPD 9/14)

Sept. 18: Sayed Hosain Isphahany, Retired General Manager, S.G.S. Myanmar Ltd., husband of the late Fatima Sultan (a) Daw Sein Myaing, died in Yangon, aged 73. [Shia Muslim] (WPD 9/20)

Meiktila Fire Relief

Relief continued to be given to victims of the April fire in Meiktila.

Sept. 1-2: [Cont. from Aug. 31]] Summary Tables of State expenditures on Meiktila fire relief. As of Aug. 30, donations received were K29,804,748, of which K9,282,888 remained unexpended. Relief goods distributed were K16,596,993. Expenditures for religious affairs (for monasteries) were K3,039,433. The Relief and Resettlement Department spent K112,074. The Myanmar Red Cross spent K774,360. US$76,564 was received in dollars (US$59,609) and other
foreign currencies. Donated relief goods totalled K15,807,825 (of which K5,321,204 from abroad). (WPD 9/1-2)

Sept. 3: Malaysian Ambassador Mr. Sallehadin bin Abdullah donated US$20,000 for Meiktila fire victims. (WPD 9/4)

Sept. 29: Total donations since April 9 were K29,006,275, as of Sept. 29. (WPD 9/30)

Sept. 30: Town Matila becomes refreshed, by Win Myint (Insein). ["Meiktila (ancient name was Matila) town has been regenerated from the ash with new settlements for the fire victims because the State and the people have come to their rescue with Cetana and compassion."]

Ayeyarwady Flood Relief

During the month, there were many articles about donations, etc., sent for flood relief in Ayeyarwady Division. We note donations from foreign sources, as well as National government relief activities.

Sept. 1: 1,000 blankets, 3,000 towels, and 2,992 cakes of soap donated by the Government of Japan arrived at Pathein Aug. 30. (WPD 9/2)

Sept. 2: The Indonesian Women Association in Yangon donated K50,000. (WPD 9/3)

Sept. 3: A "Well-wishers, organizations and foreign diplomats wishing to donate cash and relief goods for the Ayeyarwady Division flood victims" may make contact with the following departments: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Pyay Road, Yangon, telephone No 22844; Relief and Resettlement Department, No 42 Strand Road, Yangon, telephone Nos 77438 and 76628; Ayeyarwady Division Law and Order Restoration Council, Pathein, telephone Nos 042/21090 and 042/21242; Myanmar Naing-Ngan Red Cross Society, No 42, Strand Road, Yangon, telephone No 76073 and the News and Periodicals Enterprise, 212 Theinbyu Street, Yangon, telephone Nos 80129 and 77311." (WPD 9/4,19)

Sept. 4: Chinese President Yang Shangkun on August 13 sent the following message to State LORC Chairman Senior General Saw Maung: "It is learnt that some parts of Myanmar have been stricken by floods rarely seen in the past decades as a result of which vast areas of agricultural fields and many public facilities were inundated, and peoples' property has sustained great losses. On behalf of the Chinese people and in my own name, I hereby extend my sincere sympathy to Your Excellency and through Your Excellency to the people in the disaster-stricken areas." (WPD 9/5)

Sept. 4: Speaking at the 1st meeting of the Ayeyarwady Division Flood Relief and Resettlement Work Committee, Chairman Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries and for Agriculture & Forests Lt-Gen. Chit Swe said:

"There were major floods in 1966-1967 and 1974-1975. As natural disaster preparedness has been carried out, relief measures can be undertaken as soon as the flood occurred in Ayeyarwady Division. But the floods in Ayeyarwady Division this year are the biggest natural disasters throughout the history of Myanmar Naing-Ngan. The embankment that prevents the waters of the Ngawun River from entering the lowlands, breached near Thein-ngu Village and the floods hit Hinthada, Laymyethna, Yekyi, Kyonpyaw and Kyaunggon Townships. Ingapu, Einme, Pathein-East and Thabaung Townships were also hit by the floods.

"The State provides relief goods, clean drinking water and medicines to the flood victims. It also takes measures for ensuring better transportation and for carrying out re-cultivation and livestock breeding work...."

"Flood victims, many head of cattle and household goods are being moved to safe places while the flood victims have been accommodated at relief camps and at various suitable places. Hospitals and schools, which were hit by the floods, were shifted to high-grounds...."

"Appeals are also to be made to receive donations from the people of all walks of life.... We have also received donations from
certain countries and international organizations. I would like to express my thanks....

"Rehabilitation measures will be taken only when the waters recede but projects are to be drawn from now...." The Committee office is at the Myanmar Agricultural Service Office, 50 Natmauk Road [Yangon]; telephone 52082 and 50651. (WPD 9/5)

Sept. 5: The Laotian Embassy donated K20,000 for flood relief. (WPD 9/6)

Sept. 6: Administrative Director Loh Mui Fah and Manager Yap Bee Hun of Seal Inc. Corp. of Malaysia donated K50,000 for flood relief. (WPD 9/7)

Sept. 9: British Ambassador Julian D.N. Hartland-Swann presented a document promising 10,000 pounds for flood relief. (WPD 9/10)

Sept. 10: At a Flood Relief meeting in Pathein on Sept. 9, State LORC Secretary (2) Maj-Gen. Tin Oo said: "The Ayeyarwady Division floods is the worst in 60 years in Myanmar.... The majority of the flood victims are farmers and that the State would render all-round assistance for their relief and recultivation of crops...." Later he visited Relief Camp No. 1 at Myoma Middle School, with flood victims from Yekyi and Kyonpyaw Townships. The next day, at Hinthada, he said: "It has been calculated that about 400,000 acres had been inundated in the floods out of which damage was caused to about 200,000 acres...." He went on to discuss political matters [see above under POLITICAL CRISIS]. (WPD 9/11)

Sept. 12: UNICEF donated US$25,000 worth of medicine, medical supplies, blankets, etc. for flood relief. (WPD 9/13)

Sept. 13: Chairman Mr. Satoshi Kanbe of Sanwa Co. Ltd. of Japan donated K200,000 for flood relief. (WPD 9/14)

Sept. 15: Editorial: Matter of national concern [excerpt]: "Flooding in Ayeyarwady this year is the worst in the country for some 60 years. Over 350,000 people of more than 1,400 villages are affected. About 315,000 acres of paddy, jute and other crops were destroyed in nine townships. The loss therefore is estimated to be about 528 million kyats."

Sept. 21: UNICEF Representative Rolf Carriere and UNDP Assistant Representative Ms. Flavia Pansiri studied flood relief and rehabilitation in Yekyi, Ngathaingchaung, Kyonpyaw, and Kyaunggon townships, Sept. 17–18. (WPD 9/22)

Sept. 23: China donated US$100,000 worth of clothes, biscuits, tinned provisions, and rubber shoes. (WPD 9/24)

Sept. 23: The United States Government donated K534,000 for flood relief, which will be used by the UN Disaster Relief Organization to purchase provisions and essential goods. (WPD 9/25)

Sept. 27: Speaking at the 2nd meeting of the Ayeyarwady Div. Flood Relief and Resettlement Work Committee, its Chairman, Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries and for Agriculture & Forests Lt-Gen. Chit Swe, said "70,000 patients of flood victims have been given medical treatment and hospitals and dispensaries are now reopened in the areas.... All schools have now been reopened in five townships and most of the schools in the remaining four townships have also been opened. Transportation is now almost normal ...." (WPD 9/28)

Anti-Narcotics Activities

Sept. 4: During July 1991: The Tatmadaw seized 126.8 kilos of opium, 0.07 kilos of heroin, and 13.3 kilos of marijuana. Customs seized 1.1 kilos of opium. Police seized 41.7 kilos of opium (86 cases), 13.9 kilos of heroin (138 cases), 82.3 kilos of marijuana (78 cases), 44.5 litres of phensedyl (10 cases), 44 bottles of Comethizine (5 cases), 2.9 kilos of opium powder (1 case). There were 218 other drug-related cases, and action was taken against 685 persons. (WPD 9/5)

Sept. 13: 15 Anti-Drug Task Forces operated under Project Tagun Phase I, from July 6-Sept. 6, in Muse, Namhkam, Lashio, Mandalay, Monywa, Katha, Bhamo, Mohnyin, Phakant, Myitkyina, Kale, and Tamu Townships. The following results are reported:
The 15 Task Forces seized: kilos of opium (47 cases); 34.2 kilos of heroin (93 cases); 5.8 kilos of marijuana (13 cases); 7,096 bottles of phensedyl (12 cases); 230 bottles of comethazine (1 case); 73 cases of failure to register; 5 other cases; seizure of 108 ticals of gold and 2 pistols. Action was taken against 332 people in 245 drug-related cases.

Overall, in Myanmar, during the period: The Lashio Task Force seized 3.3 kilos of opium (14 cases); 21.8 kilos of heroin (37 cases); 274.8 viss of jade (2 cases); 108 ticals of gold (2 cases) and 2 pistols. The Mandalay Task Force seized 0.02 kilo of opium (1 case); 11.7 kilos of heroin (6 cases); 0.12 kilo of marijuana (1 case); 1 bottle of phensedyl (1 case). The Katha Task Force seized 8.0 kilos of opium (8 cases); 0.3 kilo of heroin (13 cases). The Kale Task Force seized 7.8 kilos of opium (3 cases); 0.004 kilo of heroin (2 cases); 99 bottles of phensedyl (4 cases). The Myitkyina Task Force seized 8.5 kilos of opium (3 cases); 0.25 kilo of heroin (19 cases). The Homalin Task Force seized 0.7 kilo of heroin (1 case). The Myeik Task Force seized 17.1 kilos of opium powder (2 cases). The Mawlamyne Task Force seized 0.08 kilo of marijuana (5 cases); 16.2 viss of jade. The Pathein Task Force seized 0.08 kilo of marijuana; 40 gallons of country spirit and paraphernalia. The Yangon Task Force seized 0.05 kilo of heroin (6 cases); 2 bottles of phensedyl (1 case). The Monywa Task Force seized 0.03 kilo of heroin (5 cases); 330 bottles of phensedyl (3 cases).

On Aug. 14, the Monywa Task Force seized 4,615 bottles of phensedyl from a house in Myothit Ward, Monywa, 193 bottles in a car, and 806 bottles in another house. The Yangon Task Force on Aug. 19 seized 1,038 bottles of phensedyl near Mingala Market and impounded two vehicles. In both cases the Phensedyl cough syrup was made in India by M & B Company, and sold under the trademarks of Lenzyme, Livertone Benaeryl, and 'Kyauktaing' bean sauce. Arrests were made.

Fire Crackers Banned

Sept. 23: The Yangon Division [LORC] "bans the production, sale and the setting off of fire crackers," since it has been found that fire crackers are being set off as the Thadinkyut Festival approaches. (WPD 9/24)

UPU Chooses Myanmar Poster

Sept. 27: A poster by U Nan Aung (a) U Zaw Htoo Aung of Yangon has been selected by the Universal Postal Union to commemorate World Post Day (9 October). In 1990, U Nan Aung won the Winners Award in the 1st International Postage Stamp Design Competition in Japan. (WPD 9/28)
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