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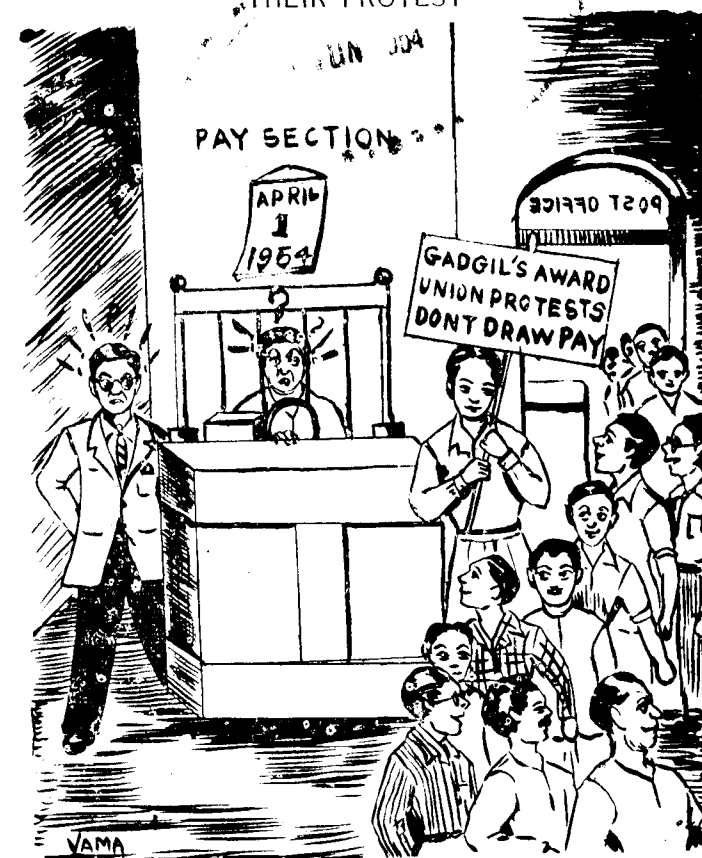
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U. P. T. W. CYCLONE RELIEF FUND

(Final Account)

RECEIPTS

Total collections made (as per particulars already published in the various issues of 'P & T WORKER' and finally in November '53 issue) ... Rs. A. P. 2,737 12 11

DISBURSEMENTS

As per particulars published in the 'P & T WORKER' June '53 issue ... 1,550 0 0
 " " " July '53 issue ... 420 0 0
 " " " Aug. '53 issue ... 90 0 0
 " " " Oct. '53 issue ... 270 0 0
 " " " Dec. '53 issue ... 270 0 0
 To Com. S. Periasamy, B. P. M. Kilaperumalai in March '54 ... 20 0 0
 2,620 0 0

OTHER EXPENSES INCURRED

Expenses in connection with the tour of the 3 Cyclone Committee members and Shri. P. M. Krishnan, the representative of the M. C. P. C. Bank, in the affected areas in Tanjore. ... 71 8 6
 M. O. Commission for remittance of relief amounts to 91 officials ... 43 10 0
 Stationery & Postage incurred (Paid to Provincial Union) ... 2 10 5
 117 12 11

SUMMARY

	Rs.	A.	P.
Receipts	2,737	12	11
Disbursements	2,620	0	0
Other expenses	117	12	11
Balance			Nil

A. P. Thiruvalluvar.

Madras-12
 Dated: 31-3-'54

President,
 U. P. T. W. Cyclone Relief Fund Committee.

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WORKERS AWARD NO WHOLESALE CENSURE!

A life of nothings, nothing-worth,
 From that first nothing ere his birth
 To that last nothing under earth!

—Tennyson

THE hour has tolled; the call has come. By an overwhelming number of telegrams sent by the workers all over India and by nondrawal of pay by the employees stationed at 'C' class stations, the voice of the workers in the P & T domain has expressed itself clearly and unequivocally. There is no mistaking the decision taken by the U.P.T.W. which represents the major cross-section of the P & T employees through an organised endeavour in the pattern of a Trade Union movement in this country and condemned the adamant attitude cum the bureaucratic policy pursued by the powers-that-be in not having restored the status quo in regard to drawal of H R.A. in 'C' class stations.

The result of the clarion call issued by the Secretary-General is eminently satisfactory to all lovers of fair-play and justice that we the workers expect from the rulers at the helm of affairs and certainly the action taken, the grim resolve with which the workers stoutly refused to take pay on the 1st April '54 will be hailed as a vindication of the self-respect of the workers who form the bulk of the nation and who are the torch-

bearers of freedom. But for the time at our disposal, we could have conducted lightning tours and made exhaustive speeches to convince the public at large, the reasonableness of our demand and the genuineness of our agitation beyond the shadow of doubt, not only to mobilise the workers in 'C' class but also in all stations, not to draw pay—which is of course a non-violent way of showing our indignation at the non-chalant attitude of the Government.

The budget session of the Parliament is on and it is time that the Central Head Quarters take stock of the situation and review the position anew for a concerted action. It is very well known that the labour policy pursued and practised upon by the present Government leaves much to be desired and is far from satisfactory. Ever since the resolution was passed at the last All India Conference held at Nagpur, the Governmental authorities overtly or covertly questioned the motives, ridiculed the idea itself, impugned the honesty and sincerity of our leaders and tried to impress on the workers how invaluable the services of Sri Gadgil were who made such laudable recommendations.

Long before the submission of Sri Gadgil's Report and at the time of tendering evidence before him at Madras, we dinned and dinned very strongly into his ears regarding this said anomaly—need we write a malady—that would befall to the workers stationed in 'C' class stations. Our evidence proved futile, not because the members of the Committee were not convinced about our demand but because they were all unconcerned, with the singular exception of Com. S Guruswamy who understood the problem in all its nakedness.

Ministers do not like to have their salaries cut in order to keep up to the spirit of Mahatma Gandhi who instructed them not to receive more than Rs. 500/- a month. The Parliamentarians abhor the idea of reduction in their daily allowance but on the other hand demand a salary—a fat salary indeed according to the latest announcement—with an upward revision. The fat salaried officers of the department who draw more pay than the Ministers themselves, reject the suggestion for any revision of scales of pay downward, not to speak of the other allowances in addition. But the lower middle class workers belonging to the lower income groups should bleed white in the interests of the nation uttering the slogan "labor omnia vincit."

On earning increments after 31-3-53, an official at the pay stage of 76 loses Rs. 528/- in all and at the stages of 80, 84, 88, 92, 96, 100 and 104 will suffer a loss of Rs. 516, Rs. 456, Rs. 372, Rs. 288, Rs. 204, Rs. 120, Rs. 36 before reaching the stage of Rs. 108/- in the grand scale of Rs. 60-4-120-5-170. The implection of the recommendation in 'C' class stations has provided a slippery slope since even those officials who are at the stages of 68 and 72 will also join the losing ranks in a couple of years.

Like 'Oliver Twist' we are not asking for more. Our demand is simple. We were in receipt of the House Rent Allowance prior to the recommendations of Sri Gadgil and we do demand with all the emphasis at our command to maintain the status quo since no worker can suffer a drop in the total emoluments especially during these days of deepening economic crisis. A number of representations addressed to the Government in this regard and despite thread-bare discussion at all levels and with all and sundry connected with the Government proved of no avail since "the-matter-is-still-under-consideration" reply seems to have no finality.

What are recommendations, if they are not to benefit the workers? Men who had shown little regard for the recommendations made in the Pay Commission Report and Expert Committee Report, who had cried down the Britisher, suddenly turned into its most powerful supporters of Gadgil. The workers voice has changed the pattern of society in other countries; and perhaps India is also fast heading towards such a path of peace, progress and plenty. We wish the workers 'God speed'.

The outright condemnation of the Government which may not be construed as a wholesale censure but only to retail humiliation, is a pointer to the authorities to come down from the Olympian heights of power and to concede this legitimate demand of the workers who seek for protection of their allowance. A stage further to refusal of pay on the pay-day, is known both to the workers and the Government as well! Will they retail humiliation without subjecting themselves again to more pedantic and humiliating conditions? Shall we, however, prepare ourselves for an eventual action to comply with any directive that may come from the Central Union? Cheerio Comrades!

Branch Secretaries—PLEASE NOTE

Place your indents for the additional number of copies of MAY NUMBER of NAM MUZHAKKAM and P & T WORKER on or before 30-4-54 positively. Non-compliance may result in disappointment.

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★ From the U. P. T. W. House ★

1. To the attention of all Branch Secretaries:

(A) **Realignment:** In the last issue of the "P & T worker" the proposals in to-to mooted out by the D. G. P & T on the subject of realignment of Trade Unions in the P & T Department were published for a detailed study and close examination of the problem which confronts the P & T employees since a pretty long time. I presume that the proposals will be considered by the members of the branch Unions in all its varied aspects and in its entirety for an expression of opinion consolidating the different view points put forth by the membership.

The D. G. P & T in his letter No. SA 351-20/47 (V) dated 4-3-54 refers to this letter of even number dated 20-2-54 states that the existing items 5 and 6 in para 1 of that letter should read:—

(5) All India Union of class III employees (excluding linestaff of Telegraph Engineering arm of Service) and (6) All India Union of line staff and class IV employees of the Telegraph Engineering arm of Service.

The following note may also please be added under the list of seven Unions in para 1 of that letter.

NOTE: In the case of 1 and 2 it would be open to the staff to have separate Unions for class III employees of the RMS excluding mailguards and another Union for Mail guards and Class IV employees of the RMS.

I shall be greatly pleased for conveying the consensus of opinion in this direction early.

(B) **May day Number:** As has been originally announced the "P & T Worker" and Nam Muzhakkam" will be released on the next proximo as MAY DAY NUMBERS". Those branches which require additional copies should indent for the same pretty well in advance to avoid any disappointment later. The single copy of "Nam Muzhakkam" has been priced at As 4/- only for this "May Number" and this will be supplied free to subscribers. It is therefore necessary to enroll as many subscribers as possible, to the Tamil Journal now.

(C) **Monthly Statements:** At the last Provincial Conference held at Chidambaram, much emphasis was laid on the fact that due to non-receipt of monthly statements from the branch Union, it was not possible to gauge the strength of the Branch Union the amount collected by way of quota and remittance of a due share to the Central and Provincial Unions and other particulars. A specific resolution is also passed directing the provincial office-bearers to check of the monthly statements received from the branch Unions every month. From the review of the statements received so far by the Provincial Union, the Financial Secretary reports that not more than ten branches have responded to the appeal made at the conference. I solicit the co-operation of the branch secretaries to discharge this onerous responsibility every

month in the interest of the organisation and request them to submit the statements before the tenth of every month.

(D) **Annual Rallies:** As the financial year of the Union has come to a close, it is incumbent on the part of the branch Unions to hold the Annual General body meetings. Some branch Unions are in the habit of putting the name of the General Secretary without obtaining his consent only to be intimidated at the last minute that he should necessarily come, places him on a predicament. Some branches require his presence in many places on the same date which is rather very impossible to fulfil. The General Secretary requests that the convenience and consent should always be obtained before hand and prior to putting his name in the invitation.

2. Celebrate May Day with Eolat:

I am hopeful that a circular will be issued by the CHQ to observe the universal day of rejoicing by the workers of the country on 1st May, 1954. We have had a trying period since 1947 and on this memorable day of May, we should all assemble together to review our activities, to rehearse the demands presented to Government and to reaffirm undying faith in the Maxim of collective bargaining the only unshakable weapon in the hands of the workers of this great land of ours. I am sure that the future of the P & T Trade Union movement should be moulded on this historic day for evolving a suitable programme of action. Detailed reports may be sent to this office for inspiration.

(3) No retrenchment at present—Madras Telephone Dist.

Consequent on the introduction of the 80/220 scale in the administrative offices of the P & T in all haste about 22 second division clerks were about to be axed from employment, despite the assurances held out by the Dy. Honourable Minister during an interview with him at Madras. Speedy action was taken by the Provincial Office to communicate with the Secretary-General. The Secretary-General in his telegram coded O-RT No. 65 NEW DELHI 26th MARCH addressed to CRUSADER, MADRAS READS:—"DIRECTORATE AGREES XXX ABEYANCE DISCHARGES TELEPHONE DISTRICT."

(4) A New Traffic Branch at Coimbatore

The unorganised workers belonging to the Coimbatore D. T. O. were enrolled as members of the U. P. T. W. by the formation of a new branch Union at Coimbatore. Comrades M. A. Jabbar and M. Azam were deputed by the Provincial Union for inaugurating the branch and to enthuse the workers for greater activity. A detailed report will appear in the next issue.

(5) Medical Attendance Rules:

The word "family" occurring in rule 2 (b) of the medical attendance rules means the wife,

legitimate children and step children of a Government servant, residing with and wholly dependent upon him.

(6) Qualifications for Recruitment to the cadre of Motor and Lorry Drivers

A candidate must have a minimum literacy quali-

cation of the fifth standard, fifth class of the school where eighth class represents middle school standard. He should produce a certificate to that effect issued by the competent authority i. e. by the head of the school concerned. Other things being equal a higher standard of literacy will be considered an additional qualification

**MADRAS CITY POSTAL BRANCH
(Cultural Section)
TUTORS HONOURED**

A delightfully brought out 'At Home' function was held on 28-2-'54 at the Madras G.P.O. Quadrangle to felicitate the tutors of the Tutorial course organised by the Cultural section of the Branch for a period of 4 months for the benefit of the members appearing for the All India P & T

Chingieput including 5 ladies regularly attended the Tutorial classes. Unprecedented enthusiasm and interest were evinced both by the students and the honorary tutors

Shri. C. S. Gopalan, Administrative Officer, Madras Telephones, Shri. C. P. Karunakaran Nair, Senior Accountant, Madras Telephones and Shri. R. Govindarajan, Asst. Accountant, Madras G.P.O. conducted the Classes. A modest fee of Rs. 5/- only was charged from each student for the entire course.

Besides stencilled notes on pension problems were also supplied to the students at a nominal cost.

The Cultural Section also undertook to get printed in a book form the question papers from 1941-52 of the P&T Accountant Cadre Examination, Part I. There was encouraging demand for the books and till date 460 books were sold out.

Messrs. V. Rajagopalan, District Manager, Telephones, A. Swaminathan Director of Postal Services, K. Narayana Shetty, Asst. Postmaster-General, Chunilal, Presidency Postmaster, Gonsalvaz, Accounts Officer, Telephones, P. K. Bhujanga Rao, Vice President, Madras Provincial Union and Com. Ram Bai, one of the students of the Tutorial classes, then addressed the gathering and paid glowing tributes to the tutors for the unusually keen interest evinced by them to coach up the students, and to the Union for its laudable constructive activity of organising the Tutorial course. Messrs. C. S. Gopalan, C. P. K. Nair and R. Govindarajan, the tutors, then addressed expressing their thanks for the kind words spoken of them and the honour done to them.

Dr. P. V. Cherian in associating with the appreciative sentiments expressed by the other speakers said that he was very much gratified to note that the Union took upon itself the noble task to equip the employees of an essential public utility service with knowledge in departmental rules to enable them to perform efficient service to the public.

Com. R. Venkatakrishnan, President of the Branch, proposed a vote of thanks.

Messages wishing the function success were received from Shri. K. P. Sen, Postmaster-General, Madras, Shri. S. R. Krishnamurti, Director of Postal Services and others.

The function was preceded by a solo violin recital by Com. Chandramani of Madras G.P.O. with suitable accompaniments.



Accountant and other promotional examinations. Dr. P. V. Cherian, Chairman of the Madras Legislative Council presided.

Com. C. M. Paripurnam, Convener of the Cultural Section, welcoming the guests and the gathering narrated the activities of the section. 131 students hailing from the various offices in the City and

Rotation of Duty in Telegraph Offices

"OBSERVER"

IN the days bygone a procedure was followed to accommodate officials in regular Day Branch duties for one complete year on completion of one year in the Night Duty Branch affording thereby a sound respite from the strain of Night and irregular shift system of duties in the Instrument Room. However the system did not ensure a fair chance to all officials to acquaint themselves with the nature of duties entailed in all Branches of the Telegraph office, in consequence of which much discontent and restlessness prevailed among the clerical ranks and the efforts of the Union to bring about a different system without affecting the method of placing officials for one year in the Day Duty section with a view to afford a fair chance for each official to work in different branches in rotation convinced the Departmental Head that there was a need for a better system. Against this background after patient thought and prolonged consideration a formula in the name of "grouping system" was suggested and brought into force by a directive issued by the D. G. P & T. In deference to the directive officials of the clerical cadre in C. T. O. Madras were classified in different groups and postings in that direction were given effect to from March 1953. The reactionary elements finding that the system was a bar against their own ends began slowly to throw mud over the workable system by posting the much-wanted officials at places of vantage. The periodical rotation ordered from the month of November '53 has been very irregular and not in the spirit of orders. An official ordered to work in the D. P. Section was again shifted to Administrative Branch and subsequently posted to complaint Section (1). Two officials who were not at all eligible by virtue of a convention since their duties are confined from 8-21 hours for Day Duty Branches have been posted to the Administrative Branch. Again by an

order issued on— an official who was actually due to the D. P. Section(3) has been posted to the Administrative section. Certain officials have been posted to the respective Day Duty Sections much earlier than they were actually due, and some officials who are working in the Night Duty Section longer have been ignored by reason of their classified unit.

A de novo examination is absolutely necessary into the problem. Though a delicate problem it is not difficult to adhere to the grouping system enforced by the D. G. What surprises one is the deviation of the directive by the local authorities to satisfy some interested members of the staff in the trite phrase "in the interest of," "according to suitability" etc etc. While a partial view of the grouping system is taken to post official in some neglected points of duty, why not the entire system be scrapped? Is it the idea of the Local Administration to vilify a group of officials merely by a borrowed thought considering them unsuitable? What is the reason behind all these acts of favouritism?

Will it open the eyes of the Local administration to publish a copy of classification list on the notice board for the information of the entire staff to put them into possession of their legitimate right of claiming the group to which they have been posted should there be any subsequent irregularity? The failure to notify the classified units so long despite the fact that the general system is in force for over a year counts that changes could be made as and when necessary according to the will of some officials in whose hands the administration appear to have unfortunately handed over the maintenance of the administrative machinery. It is high time that the Postmaster-General should make an impartial enquiry into the working of the general system since anomalies are on the increase by leaps and bounds.



OURSELVES

Dear Com. Editor,

"Ourselves" are interesting enough to deserve a few minutes study. Our world, what a world it is! How difficult, it is from that of so many. Our getting up in the morning, desperately fighting with time to go to the doctors along with our usual visit to the market. Then food, and our rush to office which by bus or train, is an adventure every day. If in time, by some fortune, we start the day without a sense of guilt, we begin driving our pens, pencils and holders. This drive goes on for eight hours. Tired and jaded we return home. Fresh woes await us there. We recall with pain that it was not different with our parents and are afraid that it will probably be so with our children. We feel very uneasy. We must give this a break.

Justice—social, economic and political has been assured to us. Lawyers alone can, perhaps prove that we actually have these privileges. As for us laymen, everything seems unjust. In our society, there is place only for those who have money or position or born high. Our economy affords opportunities only to the rich. For those who sell their labour, their earnings can keep them just at subsistence level. If they do not enter into debts, it is a great fortune. Hopes were raised in us with the appointment of the Planning Commission. It produced the Five Years Plan to mitigate these conditions. More than three years of the plan are over by now and what are the conditions today. Un-employment, the genesis of all ills, is rampant. Hurriedly some modifications in the plan were made to increase the opportunities of employment. But they do not touch even the fringe of the problem. So is the case with our Community Projects and the rest. They are just apologies.

Without employment, a man is virtually disfranchised in society. He is not wanted anywhere. These days Government can

not disclaim responsibility to provide jobs. We can no more inherit the crafts of our parents. Even if we are able to do so in some cases, it does not help us to eke out a living. The competition with the big industry, that has come into being, is too severe for any individual craftsman to stand against. In the post office, our work is productive and when we leave it, we cease to be productive for no fault of ours, until we join some other office. By ourselves, we are unable to produce anything worth the name. To become productive, we require to be integrated into an organ of production. Nobody can blame us for the education or training we had for that was the only one provided for. Neither can anybody criticise us for the present conditions for they are not on our ordering. Now to close means of production or not to provide any, is to deny us the fundamental right to live decently. We often hear the complaint that our youngmen are averse to manual labour. Even a cursory examination will show, how baseless this charge is. There are hundreds of manual labourers themselves who do not have work. Where on earth, the rest are going to be provided for. We have to give our serious attention to this, for so long there is un-employment on such a large scale which provides a big labour pool for the employers to draw upon it at their will, there will be no substantial betterment in the service conditions of those already employed. These poor chaps, who cannot help acting as black legs will be set against us. There is nothing new about it. This is an old trick, of one set of employees being set against another and so on. We have already been told how any increase in our emoluments will create further discontentment among the employees of the Provincial Governments and how these Governments are against it. In the similar way, the local Government of the District Board employees are set against the Provincial Government employees. From this, it is clear there is vested interest in keeping unemployment to get a cheap supply of labour. Best

we hear the talk that we should be patriotic, go on producing before asking for equitable distribution till the country as a whole develops. For arguments sake, we don't mind agreeing to this, but we must know with clarity, our waiting is to last till what stage of development. Again why this sacrifice on the part of labour alone. Are we alone to be patriotic thus, in case patriotism lies there. How about those who vulgarly flaunt about their wealth. Are they, without contributing, to go on accumulating without let or hindrance in the meantime.

How about our politics? It is again a sad commentary, the ruling party which guided us through the path of Independence feels hesitant when it comes to economic independence. They talk and talk. It is very sweet and reasonable to hear them but when it comes to action they never act. All the old forms continue. With the Praja Socialists, we have our difficulties. Their differences in aims and principles with the Congress, are too fine for us to grasp. With regard to Communists, their totalitarian methods of organisation and working distract us away from them. Our need is a political party like the labour party of England based on Trade Union vote with progressive aims.

These comments have been offered not in a frustrated mood. This is just to help ourselves to understand what actually the situation is with us so that we may rise equal to the occasion and work in the right directions.

Yours fraternally
A COMRADE

HON. MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS

Dear Editor,

I was one of those who met the Hon. Shri Jagjivan Ram, Minister for Communication at an interview on the 11th February 1954 at the office of the Postmaster-General, Madras. He impressed me as one of those who have a good bird's eye view of the various department in Communications under his charge. But in the matters of detail of which he has no knowledge (and nobody can expect a Union

Minister to know the detailed intricacies of the department) his answer to the Unions' grievances was that they will be "examined"—which by all methods of sympathetic imagination to my mind seems to mean "lodged".

For one thing, I found him smiling while giving unfavourable answers to the Union's genuine grievances. By nature some people are very happy in causing unhappiness to others in a blunt way. It has given me the honest impression that our Minister is one such. Our beloved Prime Minister is also at the spur of the moment rudely blunt in certain matters. But his inner mind (as the chief chela of the Father of the Indian Nation, when he is undisturbed by extraneous thought, reviews the reasonableness or justness of the cause represented to him. I recall to my mind that Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in January 1949 when an all P & T Unions deputation waited on him for an increase of dearness allowance being on a sliding scale of dearness allowance *blinked* exclaimed that the Treasury was *EMPTY*. But his far-sightedness after sometime made him cause issue of orders of an *arbitrium* increase of Rs. 10/- dearness allowance in the case of Central Government employees.

But if the Hon'ble Jagjivan Ram makes a decision nothing (like justness, reasonableness, commonsense, a feeling not to trample on the rights of meek) will shake his notions. Even his departmental advisers like the Director-General P & T do not appear to render him proper advice or most probably the Minister brushes aside their advice.

Now a brainwave has sprung in the mind of the Minister: That a new cadre of Asst. Inspectors of Post Offices should be created in the Postal arm of the Department. The AIPOs will be graduates straight from the Colleges (open market). They will be selected by an examination on academic subjects and striplings from the Portals of the Universities will be pitchforked over the heads of graduates and double graduates who have the necessary experience in the department and a better grounding than the present day University products, which our statesmen consider as being trained on undisciplined bearings. This action of the Minister will be a slab in the hearts of

thousands of officials which will be unbearable and unheard of in the P & T world. A deputation to the Prime Minister on this question is called for. *The President of our Union now hailing from the Capital of West Bengal famous for successful agitation will not leave this matter lying down and fight the battle on the roads of Calcutta.*

Again on the question of allowing our Secretary-General Shri K. Ramamurti, the foreign service privilege, the Minister could have quoted some rule or ruling on the matter. Shri Rafi Ahmed Kidwai with a masterly stroke of the pen jumped over the Fundamental Rules which conceived "foreign service" as one service under another Government or state other than the Union or State Government of the Indian Republic and permitted the "Foreign Service" privilege for the Secretary-General of a service Union. The present Minister being one who is strong willed coupled with the authority stamp of a Minister does not wish to sit across the table to receive the inconvenient hard strokes and strong arguments of a mere Government servant. Therefore he refuses foreign service extension for the full period to Comrade K. Ramamurti. But his arguments that other officials of the P & T Department should also receive training as Secretary-General and that Shri K. Ramamurti will lose touch with departmental work cannot deceive even a child of six. The Minister who wanted to crib, cabin and confine the labour of this country while as Labour Minister, now after being deprived of that portfolio and given a portfolio where only Government servants are under his black thumb, wants to see how his words feel the pressure of his thumb and chuckle at their discomfiture. We do not want the Exalted Minister of the Union Government

to tell us that others should get training as Secretary-General. The All India Union knows who can be elected. The Hon. Minister may refuse Comrade K. Ramamurti, foreign service privilege but he cannot prevent Comrade Ramamurti being in service in Madras City and conduct the affairs of the Union from Madras as Secretary-General. If the Union determines to direct Comrade K. Ramamurti to resign and pay him more than what the Government could give him in service the Hon. Minister cannot lift even his little finger.

Regarding loosing touch with departmental work, did the Minister work in any P & T office? Or can he screw up a bolt in an aeroplane and yet he is the master of the Communications and Air Ministries. From Labour Ministry he was shunted to P & T. What training was he given. Tomorrow he may be sent as Ambassador to Ethiopia. If so what training will he be given. When lay and raw politicians were given Ministership because they are the yes men of the political party in power, cannot a worker of the department, take up the threads of work left by him, a few years back and do his duties.

With such a Minister and a Deputy who very well toes his line, it is our fate to suffer. Can a leopard change its spots or an Abyssinian his colour? Can't we get a happy cherub of a Kidwai and an honest soul (May his soul rest in peace) like a Kurshid Lal. It is time the Prime Minister is appraised of the feelings of all the service Unions towards the present personnel of the Communications Ministry.

Madras } Yours fraternally
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REALIGNMENT

(Contributed)

REALIGNMENT is like one of those things which are sometimes both simple and complicated. It will be simple and it is simple, when we look upon it from the point of view that there should be one Union for one industry and where there is anything wanting in this basic essential all efforts should be made to conform it to this requirement subordinating other considerations.

On the otherhand, it becomes complicated when we take into account the many Unions that are in existence, no matter how poor their membership is. Though all these Unions are supposed to protect and advance the interests of the P & T employees, yet in the pursuit of this common aim they paradoxically keep contending against each other. The causes of these conflicts are too familiar to be repeated here. At any rate, the present is not the opportune time to go into these, for what we look for now is some fruitful cooperation.

With this object in view, we welcome the realignment proposals. We believe, realignment outside the existing Unions will offer greater chances of providing that psychological background which is required to start working in a friendly way. As otherwise, we are afraid, that the past with its many unhappy memories may dog our steps and hinder the development of that cohesion without which all our efforts will bear very little fruit. The need of the hour is to break a new ground and give a new orientation to the movement.

For this reason, we receive the Government proposals in good spirit. A lot of details regarding organisation and working are not yet known. On a successful resolv-

ing of these, depends the emergence of the new organisation. Our organisation is very dear to us. Its name, origin and development have been intimately bound up with many of us. We made it grow from scrap to the mighty edifice, that is it now and under its shadow we grew too. In spite of all these we are prepared to wind it up, in case a better organisation is to be established in its place. Our criterion of judgement is what shall serve the interests of the employees most. If organisational changes are required to further those interests, no matter how completely those changes will take away our identity, we will not hesitate to bring about those changes.

But one thing must be made clear from the very beginning. In case some of the Unions are not prepared for the realignment, they should not be allowed to be obstructive and veto the whole scheme. U.P.T.W. has members large enough in number embracing all arms of services to form the nine proposed constituent Unions and the federal unit, as well. We should be allowed to go ahead with the scheme along with the other willing Unions. Membership can be kept open, as it always will be, for others to join in, later taking their own time. We have workers enough to launch upon a vigorous mass contact programme to increase the membership of the proposed new Unions. The Government, if they want success of this scheme, must render all help and cooperation. They will best do so by recognising the proposed federation as the only representative organisation. An assurance should be forth coming that they would deal only with this federation and none others. Otherwise, there is not much of hope.

CELEBRATE
MAY DAY FESTIVAL
on 1-5-1954

Minutes of the monthly meeting held by Postmaster-General, Madras with the U.P.T.W., Madras

On 24th February, 1954

1. Posting of additional Ayahs in the Bangalore Exchange.

It was explained to the Union representatives that the third Ayah was originally reduced at the instance of the Director-General. The Union was also informed that orders have been received that the strength of Ayahs in Exchanges having more than 50 women operators will be decided on the merits of each case by the Director-General. The Union felt that the third Ayah could be restored since after the reduction was made at the instance of the Director-General, the number of operators has gone up. The matter has already been taken up with the Director-General and the representatives of the Union were informed that it will be examined in further details to see whether on merits the third ayah is justified and further recommendations made to the Director-General on the basis of such examination.

2. Transport facilities for the staff at Whitefield and Jalahalli Exchange.

The matter has already been taken up with the Director-General who has informed this office that the general question of grant of conveyance allowance between place of residence and the office is under consideration. It was decided that the matter will be taken up demiofficially with the Senior Deputy Director-General.

3. Problems of R. S. As at Davangere

There is at present no justification for the fourth R.S.A. to man the station with shift duties and call duties in such a manner that each R.S.A. gets one day off in a week.

4. Shifting of Baliapatam Exchange to a better building.

The Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirappalli has reported that no other suitable building was available. He has been asked to call for tenders. The representatives of the Union suggested that since no suitable building was available, the question of acquiring land for putting up a combined post-office and telephone exchange building should be considered. It was also mentioned that a plot of land is available next to the Sub Registrar's Office which could perhaps be acquired for the purpose. It was agreed that the matter will be looked into.

5. Accommodation for canteen at Coimbatore Exchange.

The verandah from the existing recreation club is being utilised from 29-7-1953 for accommodating the canteen. The Union suggested that since the strength of the Exchange has practically been doubled and now exceeds 200, the question of extension of the building may be considered. It was agreed that the suggestion would be examined.

6. Over-time allowance to R.S As at Coimbatore for work actually performed under orders.

Sanction of overtime allowance to R.S.As at Coimbatore in casual leave arrangement was against the rule since overtime allowance can only be granted for casual leave arrangements in Repeater Stations where the strength of Repeater Station Assistants is 4 or less. The Director-General has been addressed recommending that overtime may be specially sanctioned in this case. This will be pursued.

7. Buildings for Exchanges in Cochin Area.

The present position about the building is as follows:—

i. The detailed revised drawings for the proposed D.T.O. and the Exchange building at Mattancheri are still awaited from the higher authorities.

ii. The question of building for Ernakulam Exchange is also under examination.

8. Dormitory and Dining Room at Mysore Exchange.

It appears that the matter of dormitory and dining room at Mysore Exchange was taken up by the local Union with the Officer-in-charge. It further appears that a room has been earmarked for dining room. No arrangement has been made for dormitory. The dining room should be rearranged by keeping all the stores in one corner and the staff should be allowed to dine in the room. About the dormitory, it was agreed that the matter will be looked into by the Director of Telegraphs when he visits Mysore next time.

9. Appointment of batteryman and wiremen in Mysore Exchange.

Proposals were received from the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs Bangalore for sanction of one batteryman and one cleaner for the Mysore Exchange, and these posts have been sanctioned. The representatives of the Union pointed out that so far the posts have not been filled up. It was agreed that the delay will be enquired into and early action taken in the matter.

10. Shortage of mechanics in Coimbatore Exchange and Repeater Station.

The Divisional Engineer Telegraphs, Tiruchirappalli had sent a proposal for the increase in mechanical staff of Coimbatore Exchange in September, '53 on the basis of an obsolete standard. The existing standard was applied and it was found that there was justification for 12 mechanics in the Coimbatore Exchange and Carrier Station against

10 sanctioned. Additional posts were sanctioned in November, 1953. The representatives of the Union informed that the posts have not been filled up. It was agreed that the delay will be enquired into and early action taken in the matter.

11. Shortage of mechanics for Mysore Exchange and irregular utilisation of Ex-State linemen as mechanics.

The matter is under examination.

12. Posting of the second 'Phone Inspector' for Mysore Exchange.

The second post of Telephone Inspector for Mysore Exchange has already been sanctioned and a Telephone Inspector will join early.

13. Irregular utilisation of Ex-State Telephone Operators as 'Phone Inspectors in Mysore Exchange.

The matter is under examination.

14. Sanctioned strength of the line staff for Telephone Exchange in Tiruchirappalli Division

The Union stated that the information asked for by the Branch Union from the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirappalli was

(a) The sanctioned strength of line staff, and

(b) The number of linemen actually working against the sanctioned strength, but the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs refused to furnish this information. It was pointed out to the Union representatives that item 14 of the Memorandum does not clearly convey that the above was the position. Orders will be issued to the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs concerned to furnish the information.

15. Discharge of the two temporary peons by the D. E. T., Tiruchirappalli.

The question of re-appointment of discharged officials without going to the Employment Exchange is already under consideration and it was agreed that a general order should be issued that officials whose re-appointments are being treated as irregular because they were not recommended by the Employment Exchange should not be discharged without obtaining orders from Circle Office. In the case of the two officials under question, they may send in their appeals so that their cases would be examined.

16. Conveyance allowance to Phone Inspectors of Mysore Exchange.

Concrete proposals have been called for from the Divisional Engineers, Telegraphs which are being awaited. The case will be examined.

17. Amenities to Telephone Operators/Repeater Station Assistants at Tuticorin.—Sufficient number of cots and regular use of D. D. T.

The Union was requested to forward to this office the result of the reference made to the D.E.T. by the Branch Union.

18. Amenities to staff in Tirupur Exchange.

The Union was informed that the matter should be taken up with the D.E.T. in the first instance.

19. Accommodation for recreation club at Tirupur.

The Union representatives were informed that the matter will be examined.

20. Denial of permission for departmental candidates to appear for the R.S.As. examination '53.

Permission is granted to departmental candidates to appear for the R.S.A. examination after examination of their confidential records and various other factors. Certain amount of discretion is left with the Officer to consider whether the bad entry in the Confidential Records should disqualify the staff to appear for the examination. The Union representatives felt that the fact that there was an adverse entry should not itself make an official ineligible to sit for the examination and the nature of the entry should be taken into consideration and the discretion used generously.

21. Better working conditions for Salem Exchange

The matter is under examination.

22. (a) Furniture for Salem Telephone Exchange.

The representatives of the Union were informed that the matter might be taken up with the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs through the branch union and if the D.E.T., could not solve the problem, the matter may be referred to the Circle Office.

22. (b) Dining room and cycle shed at Salem Exchange.

There is a major work project in this connection which has been programmed for 1954-55.

23. Construction of departmental buildings for transmission and receiving stations with the staff quarters for Mangalore Radio.

Provision has been made for locating the Wireless transmitting station at Mangalore in the building which will be constructed for the head post office. The work has been budgetted for 1954-55.

24. Confirmation of Wireless Operators.

Orders of confirmation have already been issued.

25. Inordinate delay in confirmation of Shri L. V. Raman, Wireless Operator.

This is an individual case.

26. Construction of quarters for the staff at Madras Fort Radio.

The vacant land available in the compound of the Madras Fort Radio is owned by the Defence Department. The matter has been taken up with the Defence Department.

27. Filling up of vacant posts of Wireless Supervisors in Madras Radio.

The posts have already been filled up and the Union also was informed accordingly.

28. Confirmation of 1948 batch Engineering Supervisors.

The matter is under active consideration.

29. Confirmation of Repeater Station Assistants.

The matter is under consideration. The reason for the delay will also be investigated.

30. House rent allowance to R.S.As.

Action has been taken to stop the recoveries of payment of H.R.A. to R.S.As. upto 31-12-1953, pending receipt of Director-General's final orders, who has been addressed for a clarification. The Union stated that since the Director-General has recently ordered that no house-rent should be paid with effect from 1-1-54, the question as to whether those who did not draw H.R.A. upto 31-12-53 should now be paid H.R.A. upto that date will have to be considered.

31. Irregularities in supply of uniforms to Kozhikode linestaff.

Uniforms to the full extent required by the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirapalli for 53-54 have already been supplied. If any particular set of linestaff has not got the set of uniforms, the local union may take up the matter with the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs.

The following have been supplied:—

- 1086 sets of uniforms.
- 932 pugree turbans
- 138 forage caps.
- 592 pairs of chappals.

32. Grant of special pay for unhealthiness of locality at Hiriyur.

Grant of special pay to linestaff at Hiriyur was also recommended to the Director-General in the general review of special pay made and the locality has also now been included in the recent approved list of Director-General for grant of such allowances. Copies of this list have also been forwarded to all divisional officers for necessary action.

33. Confirmation of mechanics.

The matter is under examination.

34. Provision of a common rest room for linestaff at Tiruchirapalli.

Orders will be issued to the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs Tiruchirapalli to allow linestaff of other division on interruption duty to halt at the linemen rest-room during the nights.

35. Selection grade posts in the cadre of mechanics, cable jointers, and truck drivers in Madras Circle.

The matter is under consideration.

36. Non-implementation of the revised pay scales for Draftsmen.

The matter is under examination.

37. Decasualisation of Exchange cleaners in Bangalore and Mechanical workmen in C.T.O., Madras.

The matter is under examination.

38. Gradation list of telegraph engineering clerks, telephone operators, etc.

Provisional gradation list of Madras Engineering Division is under edit. Regarding preparation of combined gradation lists of telephone operators, Phone Inspectors and time-scale monitors, the date is not yet complete. The Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Trivandrum will be reminded to expedite the issue.

39. Confirmation of truck drivers

The matter will be thoroughly examined by this office early.

40. Non-payment of O T allowance to R.S.As. at Dhanushkodi.

The matter is lying with the Dy. Accountant-General, P&T, Madras and the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirapalli has been asked to take all steps to expedite the payment.

41. Posting of Fourth R.S.A. at Dhanushkodi.

The 4th R.S.A. at Dhanushkodi Repeater Station is not justified. The D.E.T., however, will be issued with orders to arrange the duty hours in such a manner that one R.S.A. gets one day off in a week.

42. Construction of staff quarters at Dhanushkodi.

Orders will be issued to D.E.T. to utilise the existing accommodation for as many quarters as possible, including latrine.

43. Restoration of second Engine Driver at Dhanushkodi.

The post has been restored and the Union was informed on 30-12-53 accordingly.

44. Issue of Q/P certificates to Mechanics.

The case of Messrs. Sambandam and two other officials referred to by the Union will be taken up. The date of their service, age etc. will be obtained from the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs and the Circle Office will take up the case with the Director-General for age relaxation.

(b) The non-compliance of the general order of issue of Quasi-Permanent certificates will be ascertained from the D.E.T., and suitable action taken.

45. Irregular utilisation of telephone operators as clerks.

The Divisional Engineers, Telegraphs will be instructed not to use telephone operators for the administrative work of the S.D.O. Phones. The administrative work of the Sub Divisional Officer, Phones, should be done by the clerk to which he is entitled to, by Grand Krishna formula.

46. Denial of weekly off to linemen mechanics at Mysore Exchange.

This will be examined.

47. Augmentation of staff in the cadre of linemen in Mysore Exchange.

The Union representatives were informed that against the justified strength of 13 linemen, 12 linemen have been sanctioned. Against this sanction, 9 linemen and 4 workmen are actually working as there is shortage of trained linemen learners in the division. It was agreed that the question of opening a class for training of linemen learners should be expedited, and that the Circle Office will take up the case immediately.

48. Night duties of male monitors in Exchange manned exclusively at night by women.

Orders will be issued to the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Bangalore to stop using male monitors if the Exchange is manned by women operators after 21 00 hours.

49. (a) Non-payment of arrears to decasualised contingent menials with effect from 1-6-49 in Bangalore Division.

This case will be looked into with item 37.

(b) Fixation of pay of T & D. Circle Mechanics.

The case of fixation of the pay of T & D. Circle mechanics in the divisions are being delayed due to want of verification of service memos due from the Additional Chief Engineer. All the particulars will be collected from the divisions and the cases will be taken up by the Circle Office with the Additional Chief Engineer.

50. Confirmation of wiremen and issue of Q/P Certificates.

It was agreed that the Divisional Engineers, Telegraphs, be asked to finish the issue of Quasi-Permanent certificates and confirmation of wiremen according to vacancies and report compliance to Circle Office by the 15th March, 1954.

51. Confirmation of Telephone operators in Bangalore Division.

The matter has been referred to the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Bangalore.

52. Emoluments of watchmen in Bangalore on work-charged establishment.

The matter is being pursued by the D.E.T., Bangalore and is at present resting with the Dy. Accountant-General, P&T.

53. Uniforms to linestaff.

500 sets of uniforms were indented for by the D.E.T., Bangalore and the supply of all the items of uniforms, including pugree turbans has been made completely. Shoulder badges are obtained by the D.E.T. direct from the C.T.S. and the report has been called for from the D.E.T. in regard to the non-supply of the same.

As regards quality, the supply is made through the Textile Commissioner and arranged by the Director-General. A sample inspection has been arranged with the Textile Commissioner so that

the quality of the material is not bad. It is hoped that this arrangement would improve the position.

54. Officiating appointments in the cadre of R.S.As. and Engineering Supervisors.

There has been no instance recently when this office refused the request of the D.E.T., Bangalore to make officiating arrangements in leave vacancies of Engineering Supervisors and R.S.As. The matter has been however referred to the D.E.T., Bangalore and suitable action will be taken.

55. Understaffing in cadre of Telephone Operators in Davangere Exchange.

The difficulty has been met.

56. Non-drawal of arrears of pay and special pay for certain officials of Bangalore during period of officiating as R.S.As.

The matter will be taken up for examination.

57. Rotation of clerks in Divisional Engineer's Offices.

Divisional Engineers, Telegraphs, Madras Circle, have been addressed to submit a report on all points raised by the Union and suitable instructions will be issued in the matter.

58. Lack of accommodation in DET's Office, Bangalore.

D.E.T., Bangalore has been asked to furnish his remarks on the suggestion put forward by the Union. This will be examined and suitable instructions will be issued.

59. Filling up of L.S.G. Monitors in Madras, Coimbatore etc.

The question of filling up of the post of LSG monitors is under active consideration. The delay is due to the fact that interse seniority has to be given to ex-state staff atleast provisionally.

60. Rest room for telegraph linemen in Madura.

A report has been called for from the D.E.T., Tiruchirapalli in this connection. Suitable instructions will be issued in the matter.

61. Classification of the ex-State Cl. III linemen.

The linemen class 3 of the ex-State system were in the scale of Rs. 25-1-30 and linemen Cl. II in the scale of Rs. 30-1-35. The former categorised as Cl. IV in the scale of Rs. 30-1-35 and the latter as regular linemen in the P & T in the scale of Rs. 35-1-50. Action was, however, taken by the D.E.T., Bangalore to promote suitable Cl. III linemen as regular linemen and wiremen. As some of the officials were over-aged, it was considered necessary to obtain age exemption from the Director-General. Later, a D.O. reference was made to the Director-General asking whether the presumption that age exemption in these cases is not necessary is confirmed. The reply of the Director-General is still awaited. Necessary orders will be issued to absorb the officials as linemen on receipt

of Director-General's reply, if vacancies are available.

62. Mysore State Telephone Group—Categorisation—General.

This will be examined.

63. Officiating promotions for ex-State personnel.

This will be solved after item 62 is completed.

64. Improper categorisation of 11 Cl. II linemen promoted by the ex-State Department prior to integration.

12 Cl. III linemen of the ex-State system were promoted as Cl. II linemen by the Superintendent, Auto Telephones, Bangalore and 12 new men were appointed in place of the former. The Chief Electrical Engineer, Mysore, approved the fixation

of pay of Cl. III linemen at Rs. 25/- in the scale of Rs. 23-1-30 and Cl. II linemen at Rs. 30/- in the scale of Rs. 30-1-35 and the pay fixed from the 15-3-50. It is understood that the above orders were given effect to in cases of officials who did not opt for central services but were not given effect to in cases of those officials who opted for P & T service. The points as to whether this may be done now in regard to the latter category of officials were referred to the Director-General and the Director-General has asked for certain information before giving a final decision. This information is being furnished to the Director General and on receipt of his orders, the cases will be pursued.

65. Increment of ex-State staff (Mysore State Telephone Group).

The matter is being examined.



From the Postmaster-General

★ GENERAL ★

D. G's circular and notices.

No. D/SC. 82 dated 29-1-53

No. MSG/Circulars dated 21-12-54

Arrangement have been made to supply copies of all D. G's circulars and notices to your Union direct from the Postal Stock Depot, Madras. 0

Copies of P. M. G's circulars and multiple letters which you are entitled to receive will also be supplied regularly in future.

Supply of forms to Virudhunagar P. O.

No. SF/Union dated 24-2-54

No. MSG/Forms dated the 17-3-54

Most of the forms referred to by you have since been despatched to the office referred to by you. As soon as supplies are received further distribution will be made.

No. SF/Union dated 17-3-54

No. MSG/Forms dated the 16-3-54

A reference is invited to your letter No. MSG/Forms dated the 17-2-54 and this office letter (in reply) of even No. dated the 24-2-1954 regarding

supply of forms to Virudhunagar P. O. All forms mentioned therein have been supplied. The list appended to your letter under reply is different and supply has since been made. Bulk supply of M. Os 8 has been made to the Divisional S. P. and the P. O. has to obtain its requirements from the S. P. It may be mentioned herein that no requisitions appear to have been received from the S. P. M. Virudhunagar P. O. requesting for supply of certain forms. Such requisitions are given prompt attention in this office. The S. S. P. Mathurai who always reports the position in respect of forms in the offices of his Division has not also made mention of this P. O.

Ban on Transfer

No. STT/Rota/VII dated the 17-3-54

No. MSG/Ban/Trf. dated 25-7-54

The Ban on rotational transfers is operative till the end of the financial year. It would not be correct to discriminate between ex-Anchal staff and the others in this regard.

Non-supply of forms to Kalladakurichi P. O. under Palamcottah H. O.

No. SD/SC dated 10-3-54

Your endorsement No. MSG/Forms dated 9-3-54 is being transferred to the Head clerk, forms branch

Postmaster-General's office for necessary action since the forms mentioned in your letter are not stocked in the Postal Stock Depot, Madras-10.

Introduction of a test for promotion of Departmental officials in the lower grade to clerical and allied cadres

No. STB. II/NR-II/Union dated 6-3-54

With reference to your letter No. MSG/Cl. IV dated the 19-2-1954 I have to inform you that no remarks can be offered on your first presumption as the papers are to be sent on all India basis, by the Principal, Sharanpur Training School. Urdu, Sanskrit and Telugu in addition to other languages are however treated as regional languages for the relevant recruiting units in the Madras Circle.

★ POSTAL ★

Mangalore H.O.—Entertainment of an additional Town Inspector at

No. E.S./S. 66/Mangalore dated 23-2-54

No. MSP/MR/15 dated the 10-2-54

In continuation of this office acknowledgment No. ES/S 66/Mangalore dated the 13-2-1954 I am to inform you that the above proposal has been examined in detail and dropped for want of statistical justification.

In this connection, it may be pointed out for your information that the adjustment of staff on the basis of work in an individual office is purely an administrative matter.

Selection of a Town Inspector for Trivandrum H.O.

No. SAT/2326/TI/TVM dated 16-2-54

No. MSP/TVM dated the 15-10-1953 and 17-12-53

I am directed to inform you that it is not a fact that the selected candidate viz. Sri D. K. Sreedharan Nair, does not fulfil the prescribed conditions. In this connection your attention is also invited to para 3 of Rule 279/3 of P & T Manual Vol. IV according to which no appeal shall lie against the decision of the appointing authority except on the ground that a person selected is ineligible as not fulfilling all the conditions as to eligibility for appointments i.e. except on this question of fact and not on the exercise of the discretion by the Supdt. of P.Os so long as that exercise is within the conditions governing the appointment.

Death of Sri T. Subbanna, Mail Peon, Motor accident at Brucepettah

No. IC/10/147 dated 2-2-54

In continuation of this office letter No. I/C/10-147 dated 26-12-1953 I have to inform you that enquiries made with the hospital authorities show that as a result of the serious accident the deceased was unconscious with no hope of survival, that he was practically smashed, that several parts of his body, the stomach, the intestines, the chest, the kidney and the leg were very badly injured and dislocated, that he had only a flicker of life in him

then that the hospital authorities were quite alive to the situation and did their best to save the deceased, that even the slightest movement was detrimental and that the process of organs coming to normalcy had to be left to nature for some time to save the patient.

Palghat H O. Augmentation of Tele. Messenger staff

No. ES/C. 267/Cl. IV dated 11-2-54

In continuation of this Office letter No. ES/C-267/Cl. IV dated 28-11-1953 I write to state that the statistics do not justify the augmentation of delivery staff in the telegraph branch of Palghat HO. In the circumstances, it is regretted, your request cannot be complied with.

Sanction of an additional clerk for Unjalur P. O. Item (d) of the list of subjects for discussion by you with DPS(S) on 24-12-1953

No. ES/C-8535 dated 16-2-54

A leave reserve clerk has now been attached to Unjalur S O. to give relief to the SPM

Construction of Tumkur H.P.O. Building

No. BM. 527/Tumkur dated 22-2-54

With reference to your letter No. MSP/TMK/Build. dated the 2-12-1953 I am to inform you that this item of work has been programmed for 54-55 only. All the formalities connected therewith are being finalised now to enable the work being taken up as programmed.

Grant of HRA and C.A. at Davangere

No. EM 468/1 dated 24-2-54

No. MSP/SMA/1-54 dated 3-2-54

The above proposal was examined but it is regretted that there is no statistical justification for grant of the same.

Supply of amenities to signallers on late fee night duties

No. BWLF. 225 dated 1-2-54

No. MSP/V Con/Res 29 dated the 8-4-53.

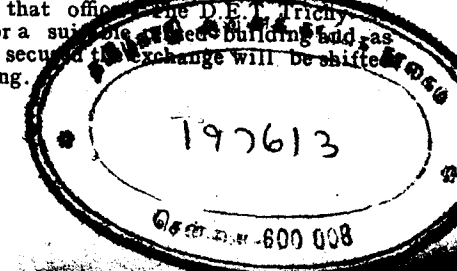
The scale of furniture and the extent of amenities to be provided in dormitories is under review in the Directorate and on receipt of the Director-General's orders in the matter, a further communication will follow.

Virudhunagar P.O. building

No. B. 170 dated 4-3-54

No. MSP/VGR/1-54 dated 2-2-54 and MSP/VGR/1-54 d/13-2-54

It has been decided to shift the Telephone Exchange from the P.O. building to the D.E.T. Trichy looking out for a suitable building and as soon as this is secured the exchange will be shifted to that building.



Regarding the provision of bathroom facility to the Sub P.M.'s quarters a further communication will follow.

Selection of Town Inspectors

No. SAT. 2326/TI/Rigs dated 25-2-54
No. MSP/TIs dated 19-1-55

With reference to your D.O. letter mentioned above, I am directed to inform you that until the formulation of revised rules now under contemplation no test for selection for appointment to the posts of Town inspectors can be held. The reference made by the Director-General, P&T N.D. in his latest orders to Rule 279/3 of the P&T Manual Volume IV is only in regard to the conditions which the selected candidate should fulfil for being appointed as a Town Inspector.

Incorporation of DSB, DSC and NSC rules in P & T Manual Vol. VI

No. SB/RC-285 dated 4-3-54
No. MSP/NSC dated 26-8-53

The Director-General, P & T New Delhi has since intimated that the question of incorporating the provisions in P & T Manual Vol. VI was considered by him and that undue haste in inserting the provisions in the Departmental Manuals might make the matter confusing.

Acquisition of a site for the construction of Bangalore City P. O. Building

No. BPW 46 dated 6-2-54

With reference to your letter No. MSP/BG/11-53 dated the 6-2-54, I am to inform you that the matter is still pending decision by the Director-General, P & T New Delhi who has been specially addressed in the matter.

Non provision of tap connection to the P. M.'s quarters at Coimbatore

No. B.M. 527/CBT/Collectorate dated 5-3-54
No. MSP/CBT dated the 29-1-54

The Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirappalli has been instructed to provide the water tap connections to the quarters at an early date. A further communication will follow.

Accommodation to staff at Bangalore HO Building

No. BB/75 dated 5-3-54

With ref. to your letter No. MSP/BG-53 dated 13/2-1954, I write to inform you that the shifting of the RMS unit to one of the rooms in the present quarters of the Postmaster will release the space now utilised by the post office staff.

The shifting of the RMS unit has had to be ordered since the working conditions thereof under the present arrangements are not satisfactory owing to want of accommodation. Since only one room in the present quarters portion is earmarked for the location of the RMS unit, and even this is off-set by the release of the space now occupied by this unit, in the HO premises, no inconvenience is likely to be experienced by the post office staff.

Imparting training in postal work to EDSPMs

No. SAM/ED Agents/V dated 6-3-54
No. MSP/PGT/4-53 dated 11-12-54

There are already previous orders existing on the subject of imparting postal and telegraph training to outsiders appointed as E.D.B.Ms. The attention of all the Divisional and Group officers in this circle are being drawn to these orders.

Treatment of Union correspondence by the S.P. Chingleput

No. TC/V-492 3-3-54
No. MSP/CPT/953 dated 16-2-54

In acknowledging the receipt of your above quoted letter reference. I am to state that the matter is under active consideration. A further communication will follow shortly.

Grant of HRA for Telegraph trainees at Bangalore

No. STA/TT. 200 dated 27-2-54
No. MSP/Signallers/HRA and CA dated the 10-2-54

The matter is under consideration of the D. G. P&T N.D. On receipt of D.G.'s orders, a further communication will follow.

Full pay and allowances for the period of telegraph training in Bangalore for the clerks deputed from Madurai Division

No. STA/TT/P88 dated 27-2-54
No. MSP/Signaller/Pay and Allowances/Telegraph training dated the 10-2-54

The Senior Superintendent of Post offices, Madurai Dn. has been addressed for certain information in the matter. On receipt of the S.P.'s report necessary action will be taken to settle the cases referred to.

Transfer of officials from Bangalore Dn. to Bellary Dn.

No. STB. II/R. Exam/Bellary Dn., dated 27-2-54
No. MSP/SMA/3-53 dated 22-1-54

The transfer of temporary officials from Bangalore to Bellary Dn. was necessitated in the interests of service and approved candidates under training could not, therefore, have been transferred then.

The position was also explained to you by the Director of Postal Services, Shri Swaminathan, at the beginning of the January 1954 itself.

Counting of periods spent in telegraph training towards increment under FR. 27—denial of Nilgiri Dn.

No. ST/TT-209 dated the 17-3-54
No. MSP/ERD/4-53 dated 19-12-53

The Superintendent of (P.Os.) Nilgiri Dn. has intimated that there were no vacancies in which M/S V. Prabahakara Menon and D. Viswanathan could be appointed during their training and no juniors to the officials were employed during their training period.

★ R. M. S. ★

Transfer of T-5 section to the M. Da.

No. ES/SM/T-5 dated the 5-3-54
No. MSR/ERD dated 24-12-54

Further to this office letter dated the 26th December 1953, I write to inform you that it has since been decided to transfer the headquarters of the T-5 section to Erode from Tiruchi and to attach it to the S.R.O. Erode. Consequent on the transfer of Headquarters the section will come under the control of the Supdt. RMS 'M' Division.

The measure will take effect as soon as it is possible for the Supdt. RMS 'T' Dn. to accommodate the officials of the T-5 section both class III and class IV in vacancies in the T Dn. itself. Suitable instructions are being issued to the Supdt. RMS T Dn. to take action accordingly.

Upgrading of the post of RMS Accountants to L.S.G. and sanction of Post of Asst. Accountants

No. EST/CR-506 dated 22-2-54
No. MSR/Accountants dated the 18-2-54
The matter is still under correspondence with the Director of Postal Services, New Delhi. He has been specially reminded.

A further communication will follow shortly.

Additional accommodation for Mangalore RMS office

No. BS-25 dated 23-2-54
With reference to your letter No. MSR/MR dated the 10-1-1954 on the subject noted, I am to inform you that the new accommodation is yet to be allotted to the department as work has not been completed. It is proposed to approach the Railway for the retention of the existing accommodation only after the new portion has been under our occupation for some time as we had originally undertook to surrender the room if the larger one was given to us.

Non-drawal of O.T.A. in RMS T Dn. for period beyond 16-7-53

No. AP/MS-840 dated 9-3-54
No. MSR/T Dn/OTA dated the 22-1-54
Overtime allowance including arrears on account of inclusion of Dearness pay have been drawn upto 27-1-1954 except the overtime allowance in respect of sub record offices Tenkasi, Tirunelveli, and Trivandrum for the period 31-12-1953 to 27-1-1954 which will be drawn and paid within a fortnight.

Supply of twine balls and sealing wax to RMS offices

No. SD/Sty/II dated the 15-3-54
No. MSR/Forms & Sty. dated 20-12-54
In continuation of this office letter of No. SD/Sty/II dated the 21-12-53, I am to inform you that

2. As the officials would not have officiated as clerks during their telegraph training but for their deputation to the Telegraph Training class, they are not eligible for counting the period of telegraph training towards increment and seniority under Rule 287 of P & T Manual Vol. IV and under FR 27.

3. Sanction has been issued in respect of Mr. N. Krishnan Nambiar for counting the period of telegraph training towards increment under F. R. 27 for the periods he would have employed as clerk, i.e. from 12-6-52 to 11-9-52.

Supply of typewriter to HSG offices

No. SD/B/TW-44 dated 16-3-54
No. MSP/CHN dated the 19-1-54

The suggestion made by the Union of P & T Workers for supply of a Typewriter machine to L.S.G. Post offices has been accepted by the Director General in principle as an experimental measure for one year on certain conditions. A list of offices to which supply is recommended has been furnished to the D.G. P & T N.D. Trichur H.O. is one of the offices recommended for supply in the first instance. The orders of the Director-General are awaited.

I may however, state that the question of supply of typewriters to all important selection grade post offices and record offices has already been taken up by this office and efforts are being made to push through the supplies in stages.

Grant of casual leave

No. ST/AP/54/TNJ Dn/IV dated 12-3-54

Kindly refer to the correspondence ending with your letter No. MSP/TNJ/4-53 dated the 17-9-1953, and MSP/TNJ dated 27-1-54.

Suitable instructions have since been issued to the Superintendent of Post offices, Tanjore Dn. on the subject.

Grant of city rates of HRA and CA to the trainees in the training classes—denial of HRA and CA to Postal signaller trainees

No. ST/TT 220 dated 17-3-54

No. MST/MS/TT class dated the 22-1-54 and MSP/Signallers/HRA & CA dated 17-1-54

In accordance with the D. G.'s orders clerks of DTOs and Engineering offices and P. O. clerks deputed for telegraph training for appointment as C/S telegraphists and postal signallers respectively in the Telegraph training classes at Madras are paid pay and allowances drawn by them prior to the deputation to the TT classes.

2. The question of granting HRA and CA to the telegraph trainees undergoing telegraph training at Madras city rates is an all India nature and may be taken up with the D. G. P & T N.D. by your central Union.

3. The matter has however been referred to the D.G. P&T N.D. by this office and the orders of the D. G. are awaited.

the full requirements of black sealing wax and twine balls could not be supplied to the various RMS offices at once for want of sufficient stock of these items in the Stock Depot. These articles are being supplied from time to time as and when consignments are received in the Stock Depot, Madras. The sources from which these articles are received have been specially requested to expedite despatch of articles and it is expected that they will be received shortly. On receipt of the same further supplies will be effected.

★ ENGINEERING ★

Transport facilities for the staff at Medway, Whitefield and Jalahalli Exchanges

No. EM 722 dated 4-3-54

No. Item 2 of the discussions of the U.P.T.W. Madras with Postmaster-General, during Feb. 54.

Conveyance allowance cannot be sanctioned for officials for performing journeys from their residence to place of duty. The question of change of headquarters cannot also, it is regretted be considered as this would be contrary to the Departmental rules. In this connection, a reference is invited to this office letter of even number dated 23-6-1953.

Refusal of O.T. allowance to RSAs at Dhanushkodi

No. AP/MS-567 dated 5-3-54

No. MSE/DKD dated 26-2-54

The matter is still under correspondence between the Deputy Accountant-General, P&T Madras and the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs, Tiruchirappalli. Special steps are being taken for arranging payment of the overtime allowance in this case.

Denial of weekly offs to linemen mechanics at Mysore Exchange

No. AP/MS. 844 dated 9-3-54

No. Para 46 of the list of subjects for monthly meeting in Feb. 54

Enquiries indicate that the linemen in the Mysore Exchange are actually being granted weekly offs—vide also this office letter No. M-E/Mys/4/2 dated the 14-3-53. Linestaff on call duty are excluded from the weekly off—scheme. Where there are more than one set of official duties are arranged on a rotational basis.

O. T. bills of Dhanushkodi Repeater Station for the period from 20-10-51 to 21-11-51

No. AP/MS-567 dated 17-3-54

No. MSE/DKD dated 21-11-51.

In continuation of this office letter of even No. dated the 5-3-54, I am to inform you that the payment of the bill has since been effected on the 6-3-54.

Understaffing in the cadre of Telephone operators in Davangere Exchange and confirmation of Telephone operators in the Bangalore Dn.

No. STE/2108/EB dated the 8-3-54

With reference to the discussion your Union had with the Postmaster-General in the month of February 1954, regarding the understaffing in the cadre of Telephone operators in Davangere Exchange and confirmation of T. Os in the Bangalore Engg. Dn., I have to state that the shortage in the cadre of T. Os in the Davangere Exchange has since been made good by posting Telephone operators from Bangalore. The confirmation orders for T.Os in existing vacancies have also since been issued by the DET Bangalore.

Posting of male monitors for duty till 'O' hours in Telephone Exchanges exclusively manned by women at night

No. STE-2109/EB dated 8-3-53

With reference to your letter No. MSE/BG/21 23-1-54 regarding the posting of male monitors for duty till 'O' hours in Telephone exchanges exclusively manned by women at night, I have to state that orders have since been issued to the D. E. T. Bangalore not to allow any male monitor to work in exchanges wholly manned by lady operators after 21-00 hours.

Building for exchanges

No. BM 527/MC dated 17-3-54

With reference to your letter No. MSE/GL/Res. 4 dated the 18-11-53 I am to inform you that so far as the Salem Exchange is concerned it is proposed to be accommodated in the New H.P.O. building to be constructed shortly. The sanction of the Director-General, P & T, New Delhi for the above work is awaited.

As regards the Ernakulam Exchange is concerned, the question is still under examination.

Irregular utilisation of telephone operators as clerks

No. TC/UPTW/BG II dated 10-3-54

With reference to your letter No. MSE/TO/10 dated the 12-12-1953, I am to state that from the reports received from the D. E. T. Bangalore, it is seen that there is no irregular utilisation of Telephone operators as clerks in his division. The duties assigned to them are in accordance with the instruction of the D. G. P & T on the subject.

Para 3 of your letter under reference is not correct. The Union has been given replies in this office letters No. TC/UPTW/BG dated 29-2-52 and TC/UPTW/BG II dated the 5-12-1953.

★ TRAFFIC ★

Accommodation for the Telegraph Recreation club at Bellary

No. BB/RC/BL dated 2-3-54

No. MST/BLY/1-54 dated 10-2-54

The matter is under correspondence with the Divisional Engineer, Telegraphs (Hyderabad). The proposal for providing accommodation to the Recreation club is being examined and a further communication will follow shortly.

Cycle allowance to task work messengers for maintenance

No. EM 405/Cy allce dated 25-2-54/3-3-54

No. MST/PC/VI/154 dated 13-2-54

With reference to the above, I write to inform you that the question of increasing the rate of cycle allowance is an All India subject and may be taken up with the D.G. P & T N.D. by your Central Union.

Sanction of Inspectors of peons for DTOs

No. ES/9/CT Inspectors of peons dated the 17-3-54

No. MST/PC/VI/Res. 12-54 dated the 26-2-54

So far as the Madras circle is concerned only 2 posts of Inspectors of peons have been created in the Madras CTO as the number of delivery staff employed in this office is about 100. No formula has been prescribed for this class of official and as the suggestion to sanction such staff in the ratio of 1:10 is required to be examined on an All India level, the matter may if desired be taken up with the D.G. P & T N.D. through the Central Union.

Grant of quasi permanent certificates to temporary T.W. messengers

No. STT/CI. IV DTO dated 12-3-54

No. MSP/PC/VI/Res. 10-54 dated 5-3-54

The receipt of your letter cited above is hereby acknowledged. The matter is receiving attention. A further communication will follow.

Recovery of charges pertaining to the consumption of electric energy by officials incharge of Pondicherry D. T. O.

No. AP/L/South Arcot dated 16-2-54

No. MST/PY dated 29-1-54.

It has been decided that the electric charges for the telegraphist quarters for the period be assessed on the basis of the average consumption in the quarters portion from the time the meter refunctioning.

Thanking you for having brought the matter to notice.

Rotational duties of clerks in Madras C. T. O.

No. ST/2326/Tfc MS CTO/IV dated 6-2-54

No. MST/MS RTN dated 23-11-53

Shri N. Krishnamurti, clerk had to be removed from the administrative branch on administrative grounds. The transfer of Shri S. Raghuraman was also made in the interests of the administration. There is no bar to the posting of lady clerks to the administrative branch by the Head of the office provided he considers them suitable. It is therefore regretted, it is not possible to interfere with the action taken by the Chief Supdt. Madras.

No. STT/Clerks OG/VI/PT. 5 dated the 12-3-54

No. MST/PC/VI/4-54 dated the 14-2-54 and this office letter of even number dated the 23-2-54

For want of an adequate number of approved candidates it has not been found possible to fill up all the clerical vacancies in the "Other CTOs" unit promptly on their occurrence. With the recruitment of candidates proposed to be made as recently announced in the local dailies, it is expected that it would be possible to make good the shortage completely.

As regards the D. T. Os. in charge of the Gazetted officers the matter may please be brought to their notice in the first instance.

★ CLASS IV & POSTMEN ★

Supply of P & T Guides

No. SD/P&T Guide dated 16-3-54

Kindly refer to your D. O. No. MSP/TR/CI. IV/2-54 dated the 16th March 1954, regarding supply of sale copies of P & T Guide to postmen and class IV officials who are appearing for the clerical recruitment examination to be held shortly. Enquiries made with the Postal Stock Depot show that as many as 747 copies have already been sent to the Postmaster, Tiruchirappalli under invoice No. 46 dated the 12-3-54. In this connection I may also inform you that no indent is pending with the Stock Depot for supply of P & T guides.

Working hours of the Watchmen in Tiruchy H.O.

No. ESTC-429/CI. IV dated 15-3-54

No. Item XIII of the minutes of the monthly meeting with service Unions held in Jan. 54.

The question has been carefully examined in all its aspects. It is observed in the Report of the P & T Expert Committee that the normal work of a watchman is taken to be so light in character that there is no call for regulating it by imposing limits on the hours of work. The work of other full time employees such as letter box peons, packers, postmen and etc. when compared to a watchman, calls for more physical and mental exertion. It has been considered that the efficiency of these officials will be impaired if they are asked to work beyond 8 hours. In the case of watchmen however, there

is hardly any physical or mental work to be done except to guard the premises. The question of impairing efficiency never arises on account of their continued duty and there is not much strain involved also in the case of other classes of officials.

The Postmaster-General regrets therefore that no case has been made out to revise the present working hours of "watchmen".

Discharge of Class IV officials in Tellicherry

No. STM/1070 dated 5-3-54

Kindly refer to your letter No. MSP/TL/C1. IV dated the 19-12-1953 regarding discharge of 5 class IV officials in Tellicherry sub-division. It has been ascertained that the Superintendent of P. Os Malabar Dn. has taken necessary action in the matter. A copy of his reply to the Secretary, UPTW Kozhikode Branch is enclosed for your information.

No. KE/Tly. dated 4-12-53

Out of the five outsiders selected by the Inspector of Post offices Tellicherry Sub-division for appointment as class IV officials, the names of the following two have been ordered to be brought on to the waiting list of class IV candidates of Tellicherry division

1. Shri K. K. Gopalan and
2. Sri Syed Abdulla.

2. Shri N. Govindan who is over aged at the time of his recruitment as per rules then in force claims the concession of three years age exemption to his period of war service, being a retrenched Government Servant. The matter has been referred to the Postmaster-General, Madras, for orders. Further action will be taken on receipt of his orders.

3. It is regretted that the name of the other two persons, cannot be brought on to the waiting list of class IV candidates as they do not possess the required qualification for recruitment as class IV officials

(1) Shri R. Damodaran Nair. He does not satisfy the age and educational qualifications, for recruitment as class IV official.

(2) Shri M. Krishnan Nambiar. He does not possess the minimum educational qualification for recruitment as class IV official.

4. This is in continuation of my letter of even number dated the 21-12-53.

Grant of weekly offs to class IV staff of Mangalore RMS

No. EST/R. 314/A/11 dated 12-3-54

No. MSR/MR/Offs dated the 27-1-54

In continuation of this office acknowledgment of even number dated the 28-1-1954, I write to inform you that the arrears of allowance in lieu of weekly offs due to class IV officials of Mangalore RMS have since been drawn and paid.

TO THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL

★ GENERAL ★

MSG/Form dated 19-3-54

Supply of forms to P.Os. and Virudhunagar in particular

MSG/Spl. Pay dated 20-3-54

Grant of compensatory allowance for the unhealthiness of Mattancherry—Cochin area

MSG/Form dated 18-3-54

Non supply of forms to Virudhunagar P.O.

MSG/BS/Transfer dated 26-2-54 and 18-3-54

Irregular transfer of the Asst Secretary, Chingleput from the Divisional office to Chingleput H.O.

MSG/OA. dated 17-3-54

Appointment of Supervisor, LSG, HSG officials

MSG/Forms/MS dated 9-3-54

Monthly statements

MSG/Forms dated 8-3-54

Non supply of forms to Kullada kurichi, P.O. under Palamcottah

MSG/Fin-Pay dated 16-3-54

Inclusion of period of service rendered as clerk for fixation of Pay

MSG/War Service dated 22-2-54 and 11-3-54

Irregular fixation of seniority of a clerk at the office of the Supdt. of P.Os. Trichy

MSG/Class IV dated 19-2-54

Introduction of a Test for promotion of Departmental officials in the Lower Grade to the clerical and allied cadres

MSG/Transfer dated 19-3-54

Request for transfer to Ernakulam or Coimbatore Sub-Division

MSG/Fix-Pay dated 18-3-54

Delay in fixation of Pay of a clerk, Chingleput Dn. including personal pay granted under the Adjudicator's Award.

★ POSTAL ★

MSP/RND dated 18-3-54

Grant of water allowance to the staff at Devipattinam

MSP/RND/ED dated 20-3-54

Removal from service of BPM, Menandhi (Ramnad Dn.)

MSP/V.Con/Res. 44-45, 46 (a) & 48 dated 20-3-54

Sanction of assistant accountants to all H.Os. and H.R.Os.

MSP/VGR/6-54 dated 20-3-54

Time factor for express delivery articles handled.

★ R. M. S. ★

MSR/ERD dated 26-2-54

Transfer of T-5 section to the 'M' Dn.

MSR/SLM/1-54 dated 8-3-54

Non-payment of salary M.O. of Salem Jn. RMS

MSR/Offs dated 5-3-54

Grant of weekly off to staff of sections working daily

MSR/TLY/1-54 dated 16-3-54

Protest against proposal to withdraw one hand from T-15 section on Sundays

MSR/MDI/Furniture dated 18-3-54

Supply of forms racks for S R.O. Madurai

MSR/MS-Stg. dated 8-3-54

Misuse of leave reserve staff in Madras Sorting Dn.

★ ENGINEERING ★

MSE/ENK dated 19-3-54

Recreational facilities for Ernakulam CTK

MSE/DKD dated 19-3-54

Quarters to staff at Pamban

MSE/DKD dated 26-2-54

Refusal of O.T. allowance to the R.S. As. at Dhanushkodi

MSE/BG/19 dated 5-3-54

Working conditions—Bangalore Telephone Exchange

MSE/DKD/5 dated 8-3-54

Construction of quarters for staff at Dhanushkodi

MSE/MRS/1-54 dated 16-3-54

Recovery of rent in lieu of rent free quarters for R.S.As.

MSE/TR/Tele./1-54 dated 25-2-54 and 22-3-54

Promotion of class IV officials to the cadre of Wiremen

MSE/Clerks/4 dated 25-2-54

Retention of a clerk of the Divisional office, Trichy

★ TRAFFIC ★

MST/MCY/1-54 dated 26-2-54

Action of the T.M. in charge of Cochin D.T.O.

MST/DC/VI/6-54 dated 26-2-54

Standard for computing the strength of T.W.Ms

MST/PC/VI/22-54 dated 26-2-54

Deputation of Telegraph office clerks to circle office in the upper division

MST/PC/VI/12-54 dated 26-2-54

Sanction of delivery inspector to Supervise T.W.Ms.

MST/PC/VI/10-54 dated 5-3-54

Grant of quasi permanent certificates to temporary T.W.Ms.

MST/PC/VI/10-54 dated 5-3-54

Grant of quasi permanent certificates to temporary T.W.Ms.

MST/MS/RTN dated 21-3-54

Rotational duties of clerks in Madras C.T.O.

MSP/CPT dated 20-3-54

Harassment of combined hands in Chingleput Dn.

MSP/VGR/4-54 dated 20-3-54

Supply of a big size wall clock for Virudhunagar P.O.

MSP/VGR/5-54 dated 20-3-54

Provision of tap connection to Virudhunagar P.O. buildings

MSP/NM/2-53 dated 8-3-54

Nagore P.O. Building—Amenities

MSP/Signalles/OTA dated 8-3-54

Denial of O.T. allowance for duty performed on telegraph holidays by signallers in Mathurai Dn.

MSP/MS/42 dated 8-3-54

Cathedral P.O. building

MSP/CDL/1-53 dated 8-3-54

Appeal against recovery—South Arcot Dn.

MSP/Signaller/Fix-Pay dated 8-3-54

Fixation of pay of postal signallers trained in telegraphy before 26-11-42 under the C.C.S. (R.P.) Rule 1947 Treatment of period of training as duty for purposes of computing completed years of service

MSP/KTM/2-53 dated 5-3-54

Repatriation of officials from Kottayam Dn. to Travancore Dn.

MSP/LSG (Conf) dated 17-3-54

Confirmation of officials in the L.S.G. cadre in Madras City

MSP/SMA/4-53 dated 25-2-54

Grant of special pay to P&T officials stationed at Hiriyr

MSP/MS/42 dated 9-3-54

Construction of a building in Gemini Studio compound to locate a P.O.

MSP/NS/5-54 dated 9-3-54

Electrification of Chetput P.O. Madras

MSP/MS/6-54 dated 9-3-54

Sanction of E.D. stamp vendor to Monegar Choultry P.O., Madras City North Dn.

MSP/MS/7-54 dated 9-3-54

Augmentation of staff of Avanavaram P.O. Madras city North Dn.

MSP/MS/8-54 dated 9-3-54

Shifting of Sevan Wells P.O. building

MSP/MS/9-54 dated 9-3-54

Supply of parcel weighing Avery scale to Madras G.P.O.

MSP/MS/17-53 dated 8-3-54

Fixation of Pay—Counting of service rendered in the Engineering arm of service and the Health Deptt. of the Government of India

MSP/MS/TTC dated 16-3-54

Grievances of the postal officials undergoing training at the Telegraph Training class, Broadway, Madras—1

MSP/TLY/1-54 dated 17-3-54

Installation of fans at and supply of Thattees to Ambasamudram

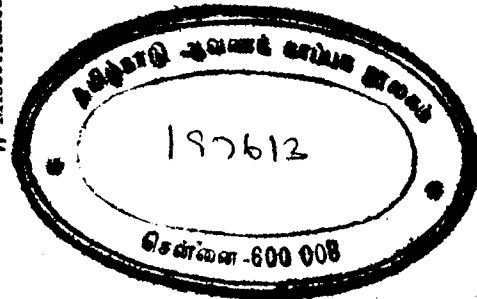
MSP/PGT/1-54 dated 17-3-54

Compulsory retirement of officials

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

For the period from 26-12-53 to 25-2-54 (Subject to Audit)

RECEIPTS	Jan. 54 Rs. A. P.	Feb. 54 Rs. A. P.	PAYMENTS	Jan. 54 Rs. A. P.	Feb. 54 Rs. A. P.
By Quota of Subscription	...	...	To Printing P & T WORKER	200 0 0	635 0 0
Cost of P & T WORKER	668 10 0	945 6 0	.. Printing NAM MUZHAKKAM	106 10 0	45 11 0
Subscription to P & T WORKER	14 0 0	3 6 0	.. News print purchased	111 6 6	487 6 0
Subscription to "NAM MUZHAKKAM"	23 6 0	11 2 0	.. Publicity and Publications	25 0 0	...
Advertisement Charges	34 0 0	5 0 0	.. Block Makers	19 14 6	70 1 9
Stationery sold	8 8 0	9 0 0	.. Advance recoverable	15 0 0	15 0 0
Advance recovered	20 0 0	20 0 0	.. Loans repaid	49 3 0	49 15 0
Subscription from direct member	...	...	.. Stationery Purchased	49 0 0	19 0 0
Telephone & Trunk Call fees collected	...	...	.. Postage	42 3 0	55 12 3
Suspense received	305 12 0	13 8 0	.. Telegrams	23 11 0	5 12 0
Donation received	10 0 0	...	.. Telephone charges	32 9 0	48 12 0
Drawings from Bank	106 10 0	...	.. Books & Periodicals	23 8 0	0 4 0
Miscellaneous receipts	...	...	.. Establishment Charges	183 0 0	213 4 0
			.. Office Rent	...	125 0 0
			.. Conveyance	58 2 0	7 11 0
			.. Furniture and articles of stock	29 5 6	...
			.. T.A. to office-bearers & W.C. members...	660 9 0	...
			.. Sumptuary expenses	16 6 0	8 8 0
			.. Compensation for loss of pay	118 1 0	...
			.. Suspense paid	24 0 0	...
			.. Remittance to Bank	...	574 8 0
			.. Miscellaneous payments	7 0 0	32 8 0
Total	1666 0 0	1664 2 0	Total	1794 8 6	2393 14 0
Progressive Total	...	3330 2 0	Progressive	...	4188 6 6
Opening balance	...	1609 5 2	Closing Balance	...	751 0 8
Grand Total	...	4939 7 2	Grand Total	...	4939 7 2



*Bank balance Rs. 1002 3 0

S. SRINIVASAN,
Financial Secretary.

A. S. RAJAN,
General Secretary.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

For the period from 26-12-53 to 25-2-54.

NAME OF BRANCH	QUOTA		COST OF P. & T. WORKER	
	Jan. 54 Rs. A. P.	Feb. 54 Rs. A. P.	Jan. 54 Rs. A. P.	Feb. 54 Rs. A. P.
Alleppey	2 4 0	2 8 0	1 14 0	1 8 0
Arsikere	1 0 0	1 0 0	9 12 0	0 12 0
Bangalore Postal	45 15 0	46 0 0	—	131 4 0
Bangalore Engg.	56 8 0	23 6 0	37 8 0	37 8 0
Bangalore linestaff	—	6 7 0	—	—
Bangalore RMS	—	11 4 0	—	18 12 0
Birur RMS	5 6 0	2 11 0	6 6 0	3 3 0
Bellary Postal	10 0 0	—	—	—
Chickmagalur	2 13 0	3 7 0	3 0 0	3 15 0
Chingleput Postal	16 14 0	13 9 0	24 6 0	24 6 0
Chingleput E.D. Staff	4 6 0	—	—	—
Cochin	—	25 0 0	49 8 0	—
Coimbatore Postal	—	12 0 0	—	—
Coimbatore Tel. Engg.	—	26 2 0	—	19 11 0
Cuddalore Postal	—	12 2 0	—	67 14 0
Cuddalore Engg.	—	4 8 0	—	1 8 0
Cuddalore linestaff	—	1 7 0	—	—
Coimbatore linestaff	—	10 0 0	—	5 0 0
Dhanushkodi	3 14 0	—	—	1 8 0
Erode Postal	—	17 8 0	—	18 12 0
Erode RMS	8 10 0	7 9 0	3 12 0	4 2 0
Ernakulam Engg.	—	22 8 0	—	18 12 0
Ernakulam linestaff	—	5 0 0	—	—
Hassan	3 3 0	2 2 0	2 2 0	3 3 0
Karaikudi	—	13 14 0	—	11 4 0
Kottayam	3 0 0	—	—	—
Kottayam RMS	2 4 0	1 2 0	2 4 0	2 4 0
Kozhikode Postal	18 4 0	19 0 0	30 15 0	30 15 0
Kozhikode Engg.	5 0 0	—	—	—
Kozhikode linestaff	—	10 0 0	—	—
Kozhikode Tel. Tfc.	—	9 14 0	—	—
Kumbakonam	5 10 0	5 10 0	11 4 0	11 4 0
Madras City Postal	—	60 2 0	—	112 8 0
Madras Sorting RMS	44 10 0	46 12 0	70 5 0	70 5 0
Madras D.L.O.	9 4 0	10 13 0	7 5 0	7 5 0
Madras Telephone Dist.	—	—	10 0 0	—
P. M. G. Office, Madras	23 6 0	—	12 0 0	—
Mangalore Postal	16 8 0	16 8 0	22 8 0	22 8 0
Mangalore RMS	3 11 0	3 15 0	5 1 0	4 11 0
Mathurai City Postal	—	15 0 0	—	—
Mathurai RMS	8 6 0	—	12 3 0	—
Mathurai Tel. Engg.	—	10 10 0	11 4 0	—
Mattancherry Tel. Tfc.	—	1 9 0	—	—
Mayuram Postal	7 4 0	—	4 11 0	—
Mercara	3 0 0	2 6 0	—	—
Mayuram ED Staff	6 0 0	—	—	—
Mysore Postal	9 3 0	14 6 6	13 5 0	16 14 0
Mysore RMS	—	9 0 0	—	9 0 0
Negapatam	—	19 6 0	—	5 10 0
Palghat Postal	15 6 0	14 0 0	22 1 0	21 0 0
Pattukkottai	16 0 0	—	54 0 0	—
Pondicherry Tel. Traffic	—	9 0 0	—	1