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[Despatch Abstract.]

Official War films

Recording letter from the Government of India, forwarding a copy of the resolution passed by the Imperial Legislative Council regarding the exhibition of official war-films and requesting the S.P.I. to arrange, if possible, for admission at reduced rates of students from Government & aided institutions to the exhibition when it is held in Madras.

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No. 295
Government of India,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

(Education)
Delhi, the 30th March 1916.

From

The Hon'ble Sir E.D. MacLagan, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.,
Secretary to the Government of India,

To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

I am desired to state that the following resolution was passed by the Legislative Council of the Governor General on the 15th March 1916.

"This Council recommends to the Governor-General in Council that steps be taken by Government for the exhibition of the official war films, and that special facilities be given to pupils of Government institutions to attend these exhibitions, and that encouragement be given to the development of visual instruction in schools and colleges under Government control".

*Referred to the
Education
Department
for consideration
of the
letter in
the
file*

2. As regards the exhibition of war films reference may be made to the Home Department letter no. 922-923, dated the 9th March 1916 which already mentions that when such films are exhibited, facilities to pupils of Government institutions to attend these exhibitions may be considered. I am also to request that encouragement may be given as desired by the Resolution to the development of visual instruction in schools and colleges under Government control.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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Secretary to the Government of India.



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No. 1340-³, dated 1575 1916

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The D. P. D. ^{is} ~~will be~~ requested to ascertain in consultation with the Commissioner of Police, the precise date from which the official box filed "Britannia Prepared" which is understood to be on its way to India, will be exhibited by the Elphinstone Bros & Co. in Madras and ^{to} report to Govt. ^{the measures} ~~he proposes to take with a view~~ ^{to be taken} to afford ~~facilities~~ ^{facilities} for pupils of Govt. institutions to attend the exhibition.

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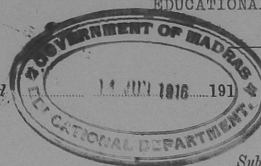
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To Mr. D. P. D. (Lap^{metus}). with a copy of the
Book of Judia's letters 922-923
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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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Subject.

Submitting to Government the report called for in Memorandum
No. 1340-3 Educational dated 15th May 1916 regarding the
exhibition of the war film 'Britain prepared'.

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R. C. No. 4023/16.

Station M A D R A S , Dated the 10 June 1916.

From (Name) The Hon. Mr. J. H. Stone, M.A., F.R.H.S., C.I.E.,
(Designation) Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department.

Sir,

With reference to Memorandum No. 1340-3 Educational dated 15th May 1916, I have the honour to report that the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of the office of the Commissioner of Police informs me that enquiries show that the film 'Britain prepared' has not yet arrived in Bombay where it will be exhibited first and that he understands that the film will afterwards be exhibited in Calcutta and Rangoon and finally in Madras. He further reports that it will probably take a month or more for its exhibition in Madras and that he will furnish me with the exact date as soon as the information is available.



2. On the question of affording facilities for pupils of Government institutions to attend the exhibition I request that you will be so good as to let me know whether the Government is prepared to bear the cost of free admissions of pupils in Government schools and Colleges to the exhibition, if reasonable terms can be arranged with the proprietors of the Elphinstone Bioscope Company.

3. With a view to encourage pupils of aided schools to attend the exhibition I shall instruct the Inspector of Schools, IV Circle, to arrange, if possible, special terms with the Company in regard to admission.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. Krishnamoorti

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10.6.16.

For Director of Public Instruction.

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OFFICE NOTE.

SUBJECT. Resolution of the Imperial Legislative Council re: exhibition of official war films

From the Govt. of India No. 295 of the 30-2-16

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(V) The Govt. of India's letter regarding the exhibition of war films referred to in para 2 of the C.F. is being dealt with in the War Section. In that letter India has commended for the consideration of the Local Govt. the suggestion, among others, that when such war films are shown within Madras, ~~the exhibition should be on special terms~~ whether exhibitions on special terms could not be arranged for school children.

The Govt. of India, in forwarding a copy of the resolution passed by the Imperial Legislative Council regarding the exhibition of the official war films, request also that encouragement may be given to the development of visual instruction in schools and colleges under Govt. control.

(N) In this connection attention is solicited to G.O. 834 of the 2-8-15 in which the D.P.D. was authorised

authorised to purchase 68 sets of lantern slides illustrating the present war in Europe for distribution to all inspectors, inspectors assistant inspectors and heads of training institutions who have been provided with optical lanterns and slides on certain subjects. As the cinematograph is "the most complete and vivid method of illustration" to school children, the D.P.D. may be requested w.o. to state what further action in this direction may be taken towards the development of visual instruction in schools & colleges under Govt. Control.

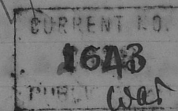
But before the file is sent to the D.P.D. for remarks the War Section may be requested w.o. to state what action has been taken on India's letter of the 9th March 1916 referred to in para. 2 of the current letter.

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War Section

The file dealing with Indras letter referred to in para 2 on page 1, ct., is linked - No measures have yet been taken to afford facilities for pupils of Govt institutions to attend the exhibition of war films. ~~as~~ It is reported that the exhibition of the film "Britain Prepared" in Madras will take about six weeks or more. Perhaps when this file is sent to the D. P. J., that officer may be requested to arrange ~~for~~ in consultation with the Commr of Police, for Students of Govt institutions being afforded facilities for attending the exhibition.

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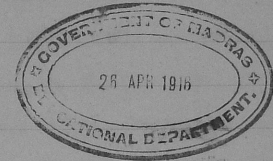
The answer to the query put by Edwards is that the War Section has ascertained that the official war film "Britain Prepared" is a hit with the public & is likely to be exhibited by the Elphinstone Bioscope Co. in Madras about next June. The Hon. Mr. Harold Stuart is being asked whether ^{official} encouragement in any other shape than special facilities for Govt school pupils should be

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Submitted that the file may now be
forwarded to the D.P.S. w.o. for remarks
with reference to A+B in the foregoing notes.

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D.P.S. w.o.
5-5-16

U.O.T. No 15/16, dated 5th May 1916.

The development of visual instruction
in schools and colleges by means of the
cinematograph would be a costly
business and we want money for so
many other things that I should certainly
not advocate spending any on it even if
we were not in a period of financial
stringency. It is also as I have
pointed out room for doubt whether the
thing is good in itself.

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As regards the war film fund is a very unfortunate month for its exhibition in Madras because all the colleges and some of the schools will be in vacation for the whole of it. Until I know the precise date from which it will be on exhibition it is not possible to make any suggestion as to the attendance of students and pupils. I have no doubt the Cinema people would be quite willing to arrange for children's performances exhibitions and to admit Government students and pupils at special and perhaps inclusive rates.

J. V. G.
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Edl. Dept.

The D.P.D. is not in favour of spending any money on the development of visual instruction in schools and colleges under Govt. Control by means of the cinematograph and he doubts whether the thing is good in itself. In view of the Govt. of India's ~~specific~~ request that encouragement may be given to such instruction it is for consideration whether the Govt. may agree with the views of the D.P.D.



2. As regards official Warfiles "Britain prepared" the Director states that until he knows the precise date from which it will be on exhibition, it is not possible to make any suggestion as to the attendance of students and pupils. It is for consideration whether the D.P.D. may be requested to ascertain in consultation with the Commissioners of Police, the precise date from which the films will be exhibited in Madras by the Elphinstone Bioscope Company and to report to Govt. the measures which he proposes to take with a view to afford ~~adequate~~ facilities for pupils of Govt. institutions to attend the exhibitions. If so, the draft memo. below is submitted for approval.

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p-2 cc [Memo. no. 1340-3DL, dt. 15.5.16]
p-3-4 cc C. no. 2040 dt. from the D.P.D., no. 4023/16, dt. 10.6.16.

The D.P.D. reports that the Jt. Commissioners of Police has promised to let him know, as soon as information is available, the exact date when the war film "Britain prepared" will be exhibited.

exhibited in Madras. (para 1 on p. 3 - Cf.)

1. The D.P.I. requests to know whether ^{the} Govt. would be prepared to bear the cost of free admission of pupils in Govt. schools and colleges to the exhibition, if reasonable terms can be arranged with the proprietors of the Elphinstone Bioscope Company. It is submitted that it does not seem necessary for the Govt. to bear the cost of ~~free~~ admission of pupils to the exhibition even if reasonable terms were arranged for with the company. Further in the present financial situation it is doubtful whether the Govt. would be prepared to bear such cost. What the Govt. of India recommends is that facilities may be afforded to pupils of Govt. institutions to attend these exhibitions. It seems therefore sufficient if the Director should arrange specially reduced terms with the company for the admission of such pupils. If special terms were offered it will tend to attract pupils in large numbers and this will in itself be a sufficient inducement to the company. It is therefore for consideration whether the D.P.I. may be informed that Govt. are not prepared to meet any portion of the cost of admission of pupils in Govt. institutions to the exhibition but that they consider it sufficient if arrangements were made with the proprietors of the company to admit students of Govt. institutions at specially reduced rates.

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There seems also no objection to the S.P.D.'s
proposal to ^{if possible} arrange special terms for the admis-
sions of students of aided institutions.

Subject to orders, a draft order is placed below
for approval

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23.6.16

This Quelling has approved the
draft in the revised form copy
of which is attached.

(By order) Kelling
24.6.16

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2. As at present advised the Government are not prepared to incur expenditure on the provision of cinematographs for schools and colleges.

3. The Director of Public Instruction will be requested to arrange, if possible, for the admission at reduced rates of students from Government and aided institutions to exhibitions of official war-films. The Government, however, are not prepared to meet any portion of the charges for admission in the case of the pupils of Government institutions.

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exhibition of the official war-films,
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aided institutions at reduced rates.

To
The D.P.I. (Q & O.)

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