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Legislative Council Meeting—March 1921.

Resolution S.S.L.C. examination—custody of question
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TELEPHONIC MESSAGE.

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to by you was given
effect to in connection with
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From Supdt. Lawlor,
Manager; ^{Office of the} Commissioner
for Exh. Examin. ~~Office~~

It is understood that the
S.S.L.C. Board has, at a meeting
held in ~~the~~ February, ~~last~~
decided to allow the Headmasters
of schools to be ^{the custodians} ~~in charge of~~
of the question papers of the S.S.L.C.
examination. Will you kindly
let me know whether this
decision was given effect to
at the last examination.

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To Registrar

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OFFICE.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH A RESOLUTION ON MATTERS OF
GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST.

[For the meeting of the 5th March 1921.]

[SUBJECT.—

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MR. A. T. PALMER :—

94. This Council recommends to the Government that the Chief Superintendents of the Secondary school-leaving certificate examination should also be the custodians of the question papers.

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

This department are not aware of the present procedure regarding the custody of the question papers. Submitted that the remarks of the Director of Public Instruction may be invited u.o. on this point as well as on the recommendation contained in the Resolution.

C.V.V.—21-2-21. T.K.—21-2-21.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—21-2-21.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—22-2-21.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

U.O. Reply No. 114, dated 23rd February 1921.

It is submitted that certain question papers in connexion with the secondary school-leaving certificate public examination are printed in England and copies of them made up in packets of ten copies each as received from the Press are sent intact to the centres of examination throughout the Presidency. There they are required to be opened only in the examination hall. If there are two candidates at a centre, a packet of 10 copies is always sent. Each high school was a centre up to 1919 irrespective of the number of candidates. There were about 200 centres.

In 1919 there was a leakage of questions. Copies of questions in certain question papers (printed in England) were sent to the Director anonymously prior to the date and hour of examination from certain centres in the Telugu country. The Director (Mr. Littlehailes) was morally convinced the question paper packets were tampered with by some unscrupulous headmasters and that question papers were sold to candidates. It thus became necessary to hold a re-examination in most of the centres in Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Gōdāvari, Kistna and Guntūr districts. When this re-examination was held, Government Educational officers—not below the rank of Sub-Assistant Inspector of Schools—were made custodians of question papers, while headmasters of schools were appointed Chief Superintendents for making arrangements for the conduct of the examination. Until before the re-examination, Chief Superintendents not only made arrangements for the examination but were also custodians of question paper packets. As the system of deputing Government Educational officers (under the control of the Director) to be the custodians of confidential packets worked satisfactorily in 1919—re-examination—it was repeated in connexion with the examination of 1920. The arrangement again proved a success.

On receipt of a protest, however, from an association of teachers, the subject has been put down as one of the items in the agenda of the next S.S.L.C. Board's meeting.

"Appointment of Government Educational Officers to be custodians of the question paper packets for the examination".

The Director will consult the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Board on this point at the meeting and discuss the question with the members, some of whom are heads of institutions at which the examination is usually held. It may be added that the sense of responsibility of Government officials must be greater than that of non-Government headmasters. This system was adopted on principle even in the case of heads of Government institutions, e.g., Principal, Teachers' College. I will, however, let the Government know what the Board's advice is. They meet on the 25th.

R. G. GRIEVE—23-2-21.

LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

Submitted. The further communication promised by the Director—A above—may be awaited.

C.V.V.—24-2-21. T.K.—24-2-21. C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—24-2-21.

Till the 28th February when telephone.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—24-2-21.

Demi-official—from the Director of Public Instruction.
To—the Secretary to Government, Law (Education) Department.
Dated—the 25th February 1921.
No.—92.

In my u.o. reply No. 114, dated 23rd February 1921, I said that I would put before the Board the question of the appointment of Government Educational officers to be custodians of the question paper packets for the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Examination. This is with reference to Mr. Palmer's resolution to be moved at the next meeting of the Legislative Council. The Board, by a large majority, considered that it would be wise to allow the headmasters to be in charge of the question papers. I am prepared to accept their opinion. In other words, the resolution may be accepted.

LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

The Director of Public Instruction considers that the resolution on page 1 ante may be accepted.

2. For orders whether this recommendation will be accepted by the Government and whether the resolution should be discussed in the Council and who should take charge of it.

C.V.V.—28-2-21. T.K.—28-2-21. C.R.—28-2-21. R.R.—1-3-21.

May be accepted. I take charge.

A. S[UBBARAYALU REDDIYAR]—2-3-21.

RESOLUTION RE CUSTODY OF SECONDARY SCHOOL-LEAVING CERTIFICATE QUESTION PAPERS.

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT:—"Resolution No. 10 stands in the name of Mr. A. T. Palmer."

Mr. G. VANDANAM:—"In his absence, Sir, may I not move it?"

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT:—"I am afraid you cannot. The standing orders at present do not provide for it, though we have made provision for it in the revised standing orders."

The following resolution which stood in the name of Mr. A. T. Palmer was, therefore, deemed to have been withdrawn:—

10. This Council recommends to the Government that the Chief Superintendents of the Secondary School-Leaving Certificate Examination should also be the custodians of the question papers.

The question is purely one for the decision of the S.S.L.C. Board and the D.P.D. These notes may be

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As Mr. I has remarked that the
resolution may be accepted, should we
not let it be voted?
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Submitted the Legislative Council has
not made any specific recommendation
that has to be communicated to the D.P.D. for
necessary action. It has thought that even if
the D.P.D. as the proposal was accepted by

by a large majority in the S.S.L.C. Board and
the D.P.D. is ~~also~~ prepared to accept their opinion
and as the question is purely one for decision by
the D.P.D. and the Board, it was not thought
necessary to communicate Mr. [unclear]'s remarks to the
D.P.D. Perhaps they may see the notes ^{Director} as to be
before recording the papers.

The ~~recomm~~ recommendation
in the report ~~has been~~
has already been given effect
to as the result of the decision
of the Board. Please see
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any further communication
to the C.S.R.

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