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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Edn., & P.H.(C) Deptt. 1

D.O.No. 44758 C/45-3 Edn dated 17--11--1945.

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Dear Madam,

Physical Education - Training Course - Addition of a Second course.
Your letter to the Director of Public Instruction, dated 25--9--1945.

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The Government have carefully examined, in consultation with the Director of Public Instruction, your scheme for the addition of a second course to the Physical Education Training course for women at the Y.M.C.A., College, Saidapet. The D.P.I., considers that the Government will not be justified in sanctioning the scheme and I am desires ~~directed~~ to say that the Government agree with him.

2. Your proposals for opening ~~of~~ a nursery school

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school at Saidapet and for constructing two small ~~buildings~~ bungalows for yourself and your Assistant are being considered separately.

Yours sincerely,

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To
Mrs. H.C. Buck,
Woman Specialist in
Physical Education.

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Edn., & P.H. ~~(C)~~ 3 Deptt.

D.O. No. 44758C/45- dated 17 --11--1945.

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Dear Dr. Savoor,

Physical Education - Addition of a second course to the Physical Training classes for women at the Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet.

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Your U.O. reply No.2145-E/45, dated 12-11-45.

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I am ~~directed~~ desired to say that the Government agree with you that they would not be justified in sanctioning the scheme. Mrs. Buck is being informed accordingly.

Sir Thomas Austin, however, desires that you should put up proposals at once for the construction of two small ~~buildings~~ bungalows for the Woman specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant provided the Y.M.C.A. agrees to their occupation by the successor of Mrs. Buck and her Assistant even if they be not Christians.

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The proposal to open a nursery school at Saidapet should also be taken up and a report submitted to Govt.

Yours sincerely,

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To
Dr. S.R.U. Savoor, M.A.,
D.Sc.
Director of Public
Instruction.

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Do. No 44758C/45-5 Edn d 30-11-45

Dear Dr. Savoor,

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Physical Education - ~~Addition of a second course to the Physical training class for women at the Y.M.C.A. College. Saidapet~~ Construction of quarters for the Woman Specialist in Physical Edn and her Asst. and opening of a nursery school

I am desired to invite ~~your~~ a reference to my D.O. No 44758C/45-4 Edn, d 17-11-45, on the subjects ~~mentioned~~ noted above and to ~~request~~ ask ~~you to send your~~ when a reply ~~at an early date~~ may be expected.

Yours sincerely,

To
Dr. S.R.V. Savoor
M.A. D.Sc.
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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

D.O.

Director of Public Instruction,
M a d r a s, 4th December 1945.

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My dear Subramanian,

Please see your D.O.No.44758-C/45-5, Education, dated the 30th November 1945. On the 22nd November I wrote to the Chief Engineer requesting him to be good enough to instruct the Executive Engineer to prepare the necessary plans and estimates in consultation with Mrs. Buck for the quarters for the Woman Specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant. Mrs. Buck told me yesterday that the plans are not yet ready and that she will expedite them. The proposals about the Nursery school will be submitted soon after they are received from Mrs. Buck.

Later discussed

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Yours sincerely,

M.V.Subramanian, Esq.,ICS.
Secretary to Government,
Edn. & Pub. Health Department,
Fort St.George.

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(31-8-42)

1699-(S) - Partially excluded areas. Schools in Polavaram Tk. Transfer of management to Govt.
30791 - Seithur Sengapandia Board High School, Rajapalayam. Closure on 10-8-42
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D.O. 44758C/45-6.
dated 18.12.45.

Edn and P.H. Dept.
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Dear Dr. Savoor,

Physical Education - Construction of quarters for the woman Specialist in Physical Education and her Asst and opening of a nursery School.

Ref your DO of 4.12.45.

I am to ask when your proposals in the matter referred to above may be expected.

Reply since recd
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Dr. S.R.U. Savoor, M.A. D.Sc.
DPI.

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D.O. Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, 17th December 1945.

My dear Subramanian, (6)

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Please see your D.O.No.44758C/45-3, Education, dated 17-11-1945. The proposal to open a Nursery School at Saidapet need not be considered, as Mrs. Buck informs me that her scheme to open a Nursery School has been closely linked up with her scheme for Course II. As Course II has not been sanctioned, the Nursery School plan may be considered as dropped.

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Yours sincerely,
S R U Savoor

M.V. Subramanian, Esq., I.C.S.
Secretary to Government,
Edn. & Pub. Health Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.

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D.O.No.1893-G/45. C 10 to

Director of Public Instruction,
Madras, 17th December 1945

My dear Subramanian, (7)

SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H. DEPT.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

SUB:- Construction of two small bungalows for the Woman Specialist and her Assistant, in the Y.M.C.A. College compound.

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In continuation of my D.O. dated 4-12-1945 on the subject indicated above, I enclose herewith a copy of Mrs. Buck's letter R.C.No. 370/45, dated 12-12-1945 and request you to obtain the orders of Government in the matter.

Yours sincerely,
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M.V. Subramanian, Esq.,ICS.
Secretary to Government,
Edn. & Pub. Health Department,
Fort St. George.

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Copy of R.C.No.370/45,dated 12-12-45 from the Woman Specialist in Physical Education,Madras.

"Ref: Your Pros.C.No.1893-G/45,dated 22-11-1945.

Sub: Construction of quarters for the Woman Specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant.

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I have the honour to submit that the Woman Specialist has addressed the authorities of the Y.M.C.A. College in order to ascertain if they will agree to the occupation of the bungalows by the successors of Mrs.Buck and her Assistant, even if they be not Christians.

A The authorities of the Y.M.C.A. College advise that the question of religion need not be considered. The important undertaking to be made is that the Woman in charge of the training be guaranteed occupation of the bungalow now to be built for the Woman Specialist, and that the Assistant to the Woman in charge of the training be guaranteed occupation of the second bungalow now being built for the Assistant to the Woman Specialist in Physical Education.

It is pointed out that the work of the Woman Specialist is steadily increasing. It is invitable that the office will eventually be bifurcated into a training section and an inspection section. They will work in close co-operation, but the officer in charge of inspection need not necessarily live in the Y.M.C.A. College. It is imperative that the Woman in charge of the training and her assistant live there.

B It is believed that the Y.M.C.A. College is prepared to give such an undertaking. If the Department is willing to agree to this important alteration, the college will be officially addressed.

Meantime it is requested that on these terms, permission may be granted to proceed with plans and estimates."

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Education & P.H.(C) Dept.

D.O.No. 44158C/45 — 8 Edn., dated 15.1.46.

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Dear Dr. Savoor,

Physical Education - Construction of ~~quarters~~ bungalows for Woman Specialist in ~~the~~ Physical Education and her Assistant~~s~~ and opening of a Nursery School - Refce: Your D.O.No.1893.G/45 d/17-12-1945.

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The Government agree with the Woman Specialist in Physical Education that an undertaking should be obtained from the Y.M.C.A. authorities that the Woman in charge of Physical Education and her assistant will be guaranteed occupation of the ~~quarters~~ bungalows proposed to be constructed. You may accordingly address the Y.M.C.A. authorities and obtain such an undertaking.

2 As you are aware, there is a proposal to create 6 posts of Physical ~~instructresses~~ inspectresses under the post-war plan for expansion of physical education, the post of ~~an~~ assistant to the woman specialist being abolished. If the

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schemes materialise ~~posts are sanctioned~~ the headquarters of one of the Inspectresses is likely to be Madras and she can reside in one of the bungalows ~~cottages~~. The Government consider that the Y.M.C.A. authorities should be asked to agree to allow the Inspectress to occupy the bungalows; ~~quarters~~ of the Assistant in such a contingency.

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3. The Government consider that the Y.M.C.A. authorities should also be asked to agree to a further condition that if for any reason the bungalows ~~quarters~~ are not required for the Woman Specialist or other officers connected with ~~the~~ woman's physical education at any time and are made use of by the Y.M.C.A., they should agree to pay a rent for the bungalows ~~quarters~~ at ~~the~~ standard rates.

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4. The Govt. agree that the proposal for the opening of a Nursery School at Saidapet may, in the circumstances stated, be dropped.

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5. I am to add that Sir Thomas Austin desires that plans and estimates for the bungalows ~~quarters~~ to be constructed should be prepared quickly and submitted to Government.

Yours sincerely,

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Dr. S.R.U.Savoor, M.A.,
D.Sc.(Lond.) I.E.S.,
D.P.I. Madras.

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The Y. M. C. A. College of Physical Education
SAIDAPET, MADRAS.

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28th January, 1946.

To
Sir Thomas Austin, K.C.I.E., I.C.S.,
Adviser to H.E. The Governor of Madras,
"The Grange", Adyar.

Dear Sir Thomas Austin,

As advised by Mr. Batchelor I am sending herewith a copy of my communication addressed to the D.P.I., Madras, in respect of the construction of bungalows for the Woman Specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant in the compound of the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education.

Yours sincerely,

C. S. Moffat.

C.S. Moffat
Principal.

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Get immediate report from D.P.I.

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TARY, EDN. AND P. H. DEPT.
29 JAN 1946
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

THE Y.M.C.A. COLLEGE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION,
Saidapet, Madras.

28th January, 1946.

To
The Director of Public Instruction,
Education Department,
Government of Madras.
MADRAS.

Sir,

Sub: Physical Education - Construction of bungalows for Women Specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant.

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I have the honour to invite reference to your Proceedings No. R.C. 1893-G/45, dated 17-1-46 in which the W.S.P.E. has been asked to approach me on the subject of the conditions under which Government will construct houses for the W.S.P.E. and her Assistant on the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education's premises.

2. The conditions under which this urgently required accommodation should be built have been discussed by the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. and I have been instructed to submit their views for Government's consideration and to review the present arrangements for the Women's Course.

3. The Women's Course is partly conducted by the Y.M.C.A. College, who provide the grounds, equipment and the teaching of the lectures classes. The W.S.P.E. and her Assistant are responsible for the administration and activity classes. The W.S.P.E. is a member of the College staff, though in fact she is a Government Official and is responsible to the Government for the training of the women physical education teachers, and for inspection of their work.

4. The women students under training 1945-46 total 36. Of these, 10 will be teaching in Indian States or other Provinces, having been deputed by them. 26 women teachers will be available for appointment within the Presidency in Government and aided schools. There are 71 sanctioned posts awaiting

teachers of physical education and that number may be anticipated for the next 5 years. Loss from marriage is heavy, and provision should be made for accepting 45 students for training every year hereafter. More cannot be cared for adequately with the present staff. The work of the Women's Section is, therefore, heavy, especially on the administrative side.

5. The Y.M.C.A. National Council has asked me to point out to Government, that for administrative efficiency and convenience the whole of the activities on the College premises, including the Women's Course, ought to come under the authority of the Principal of the College; and that staff appointments to the Women's Course should be made by the Y.M.C.A. as they are for the men's course.

6. In your Proceedings No. 1893G/45, dated 22-11-45, the position was foreshadowed when Mrs. Buck retires. The post of W.S.P.E. is a Government appointment, and in selecting a candidate Government would not be under any obligation to consult they Y.M.C.A. nor to select one who could fulfil the dual role of the present W.S.P.E. Yet it is proposed by Government that the houses they have offered to construct should be for the occupation of the new W.S.P.E. and her Assistant. The Y.M.C.A. National Council points out that this might create a difficult situation for the College in two ways. Firstly, appointments to the teaching staff of a course so intimately bound up with the work of the College should be made by the College Council. Secondly, unless the office of the W.S.P.E. and the Lady in-charge of the Women's Course can be satisfactorily combined in one person, the proposed accommodation for staff would be occupied by the new W.S.P.E., who would not be a member of the College staff, and the College would be left with the Course on its hands, but no staff and no accommodation for staff. The College would, on the other hand, have living in houses on its premises, Government Officials not directly connected with the College work. It is hoped that Government will agree that such an arrangement is quite unworkable.

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7. I am, therefore, to ask that Government would construct at their cost the two proposed houses, but they should be for the use of the Women Staff in charge of the Women's Course or give the Y.M.C.A. a grant for that purpose. So long as the present arrangements continue, the houses would be occupied by Mrs. Buck and her Assistant. But the Y.M.C.A.'s request is that it should be laid down that the new houses are for occupation by the staff in charge of the Women's Course. Neither the College Council nor the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. have funds available for the construction of this necessary accommodation, and it is impossible for the course to continue without it. Mrs. Buck and her Assistant are both living in what must be regarded as purely temporary accommodation. Unless the new accommodation can be provided immediately, there would be no alternative to closing the Women's Course next April.

8. The College is an aided institution and receives from Government what is termed a "half grant" for the men's course, which amounts to approximately 6½% of the College expenses. The College has no funds on which it may draw for additional necessary expenses to meet the full cost of the Women's Course. A great majority of both men and women students who pass the College Course are appointed to Government posts in the Education Department, and the major portion of the men students' educational expenses are paid for by non-Government funds. Important though the Work undoubtedly is, the Y.M.C.A. cannot find funds to meet the full expenses of the Women's Course, and I am to ask that Government will agree to continue to meet these expenses in full.

9. Summarising the foregoing, the Y.M.C.A. National Council requests Government's favourable consideration of the following points:-

i. That the women's course should from 1-7-46 be amalgamated with the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education and that staff appointments should be made by the College Council as they are now made for the Men's Course.

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ii. That Government would immediately construct at their cost two houses for the staff of the Women's Course, or give the College an emergency grant for the full cost.

iii. That Government would from 1-7-46 continue to meet the full cost of the Women's Course including maintenance of the buildings.

10. Government financial assistance upto date to the Women's Course is given under A below, and also an estimate of the additional cost of these proposal underB.

A. Financial assistance already granted by Government.

i. Capital Cost:

(a) Quarters for Women Students	Rs. 16,000
(b) Dhoby Khana	4,800
(c) Changing room, lavatories and store-room now under construction, Rs.6000/- available under the present budget.	17,000
	Rs. 37,800

ii. Recurring Costs:

(a) Maintenance is carried out by the P.W.D. and the annual cost is not available, say,	Rs. 500
(b) Salaries of staff, Hospital Superintendent, sweeper, Games Marker	966
(c) Purchase of Book	400
	Rs. 1,866

B. Additional cost of these proposals:-

i. Capital cost of a house for the W.S.P.E. and for her Assistant	Rs. 50,000

ii. Recurring costs:

(a) Salaries of teaching staff, if the post of W.S.P.E. is bifurcated from the training course probably	Rs. 7,000
(b) Salaries of Clerk	780
Peon	144
(c) Local travel for practice teaching, educational excursions &c.	540
Per annum	Rs. 8,464

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

C S Moffat.
PRINCIPAL.

R.O.C.No.370/45,

Office of the Woman Specialist in
Physical Education, Madras,
Dated 20th January 1946.

From
Mrs. M.M.Buck, M.A.,
Woman Specialist in
Physical Edn., Madras.

To
The Principal,
Y.M.C.A. College,
Saidapet.

Sir,

Ref: Pros. Roc.No.1893 G/45, dated 17.1.1946.
Sub: Y.M.C.A.College of Physical Education - Construction of residential quarters for the Woman Specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant.

I enclose herewith a copy of the above proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras and request you to forward for submission to the Director of Public Instruction, the undertakings from the Y.M.C.A. authorities, with reference to paras 1, 2, and 3 of the Government D.O.No.44758 C/45-8, Education, dated 15.1.1946.

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2. This may be treated as urgent.

(Sd.) M.M.Buck,
Woman Specialist in
Physical Education.

Copy of Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, RC.No.1893 G/45, dated 17th January 1946.

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Y.M.C.A.College of Physical Education, Saidapet - Construction of residential quarters for the Woman Specialist and her Assistant.

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Read: From the Woman Specialist in Physical Education, Madras R.C.No.370/45, dated 12.12.1945.

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An extract of D.O.No.44758 C/45, Education, dated 15.1.1946 received from the Secretary to Government, Education and Public Health Department is herewith furnished to the Woman Specialist for her information. She is requested to be good enough to address the Y.M.C.A. authorities and obtain the necessary undertaking contemplated in the Government D.O. letter and submit it to the Director as early as possible.

2. She is also requested to contact the P.W.D. authorities and see to the expeditious preparation of the plans and estimates.

(Sd.) G.L.Lobo,
for Director of Public Instruction.

To the Woman Specialist in Physical Edn., Madras.

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Extract from D.O.No.44758 C/45-8 Edn., (Special) dated 15.1.1946 from the Secretary to Government, Education and P.H. Department, Fort St. George, Madras.

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Physical Education - Construction of bungalows for Woman Specialist in Physical Education and her assistant and opening of a Nursery school - Reference your D.O.No.1893 G/45, dated 17.12.1945.

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The Government agree with the Woman Specialist in Physical Education that an undertaking should be obtained from the Y.M.C.A. authorities that the Woman in charge of Physical Education and her assistant will be guaranteed occupation of the bungalows proposed to be constructed. You may accordingly address the Y.M.C.A. authorities and obtain such an undertaking.

2. As you are aware, there is a proposal to create six posts of physical Inspectress under the post-war plan for expansion of physical Education, the post of assistant to the Woman Specialist being abolished. If the scheme materialises the headquarters of one of the Inspectresses is likely to be Madras and she can reside in one of the bungalows. The Government xxx consider that the Y.M.C.A. authorities should be asked to agree to allow the Inspectress to occupy the bungalow of the Assistant in such a contingency.

3. The Government consider that the Y.M.C.A. authorities should also be asked to agree, to a further condition and if for any reason the bungalows are not required for the Woman Specialist or other officers connected with women's physical Education at any time and are made use of by the Y.M.C.A. they should agree to pay rent for the bungalows at standard rates.

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5. I am to add that Sir Thomas Austin desires that plans and estimates for the bungalows to be constructed should be prepared quickly and submitted to Government.

(True extract)

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D.O. No. 44758 C/45-9 Edn E & P.H. deptt dt 29-1-46

Dear Dr. Savoor

Physical Education - Construction of bungalows for woman specialist in Physical Education and her Asst. Reference Reg D.O. No. 44758 C/45-8 Edn. d. 15-1-46.

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I am to ask you to send immediately a report on the letter of the Principal, Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, dated 28-1-46, addressed to you, a copy of which has been received by Sir Thomas Austin.

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Yours Sincerely

To
Dr. S. R. K. Savoor, M.A. DSc (Lond), I.E.S.
D.P.I. Madras.

Despd 29-1-46.

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Education Department.

From

Dr. S.R.U. Savoor, M.A., D.Sc., I.E.S.,
Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Education and Public Health Department,
Fort St. George.

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
1 FEB 1946
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

R.C. No.1893 G/45 dated 1st Feb. 1946.

Sir,

Sub: Physical Education - Construction of bungalows for woman specialist in Physical Education and her Assistant.

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With reference to your D.O.No.44758.C/45-9 Edn., dated 29th January 1946 asking for a report on the letter of the Principal, YMCA College of Physical Education, Saidapet, dated 28-1-46, a copy of which has already been received by the Adviser to Government, I have the honour to report as follows:-

2. Prior to 1940, the Physical training class for women was held in the Lady Willingdon Training College. In March 1940, Government approved the proposal of the Director of Public Instruction to open a physical training class for women at the YMCA College of Physical Education, Saidapet. The students for this course of training were lodged in a hostel in a private building on a rent of Rs.150/- sanctioned by government. In 1941 it was found impossible to continue the hostel in the rented building on account of the unreasonable conditions demanded by the owner of the building. Hence Government in G.O.4/S dated 31-5-1941 sanctioned the construction of temporary sheds at a cost of Rs.10,000/- for the use as hostel for the women students on the premises of the YMCA College, Siadapet. These were thatched sheds. Since 1941, the physical training class for women has continued to be held on the YMCA premises. They reside in the sheds referred to above. They attend the theoretical classes along with the boys in the YMCA College, the practical work being done on the grounds allotted to them by the YMCA and under the supervision of the Woman Instructor in physical training.

(S) GO No: 1355 P.W.D. / 2.6.41

3. The amounts spent by government on sheds, etc., is as follows:-

(S) 1. 1941:- Construction of sheds - Rs.10,000/-.

GO No: 4780 PW / 30.12.42 (X) 2. 1942:- Roofing of these sheds with tiles - Rs.9,600/-.

GO No: 2298 PW / 30.10.43 (W) 3. Improvements and repairs to electrical installations - Rs.863/-.

Leaving out item 3, the total amount spent by government is Rs.19,600/-. During 1945-46 government have sanctioned construction of a store room at a cost of Rs.5,650/-. It is not known whether this work has been completed. Two items of work have been included for 1946-47, namely, construction of a dhoby khana Rs.4,300/- and construction of a games room and changing room - Rs.10,200/-. Thus including the construction of a store room, the amount spent by government will be Rs.25,250/-.

GO No: 1222 PW / [illegible] (K)

apparently included by DPI in main works budget

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CNO: 43579C

4. When the present arrangements were decided upon, Mr. Buck was in charge of the YMCA College and as Mr. and Mrs. Buck lived in the Principal's bungalow, the question of quarters for the Woman Assistant in charge of physical training class for women did not arise. The Assistant to the Woman Specialist was lodged in one of the smaller rooms of the girls' hostel. At present, Dr. Moffat, who is the Principal of the college and Mrs. Moffat have occupied the Principal's bungalow. Mrs. Buck, the Woman Specialist is housed in a temporary thatched cottage recently put up by Mrs. Buck or by the YMCA in the vicinity of the girls' hostel. Hence the need for the construction of a house for

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for Mrs. Buck and her Assistant.

5. When proposals were under consideration for the construction of the proposed buildings, the Secretary to Government in D.O.No.44758.C/45.8.Edn., dated 15-1-1946 asked the Director to ascertain whether the YMCA would accept certain conditions in regard to the bungalows proposed for the occupation of the Woman Specialist and her Assistant. The letter of the Principal, YMCA College dated 28-1-1946 is an answer to the queries raised. The proposal of the YMCA is to run the women's section as part and parcel of the YMCA College itself.

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6. Under the existing arrangements, the physical training course for women is a government course. It is held in the YMCA premises, the hostels being constructed by government on the same premises. The girls have their theoretical training in the YMCA College buildings attending the lectures given by the YMCA Staff. They use the libraries and laboratories of the college. They use the college grounds and probably some of the equipment also whenever necessary. The present proposal of the YMCA is based on its apprehension that at some time or other, there may be a clash between the person conducting the course for women at Saidapet or the Physical Directress who may be occupying the bungalow proposed to be built for the Woman Specialist and the YMCA authorities. There is considerable force in this argument. So long as Mrs. Buck continues on the premises, there is no need for any apprehension at all. But when Mrs. Buck retires and any government officer who happens to be Physical Directress or Woman Specialist at the time occupies the bungalow, there is reasonable cause for apprehension of misunderstandings between the two authorities on the field.

7. Apart from this question, the YMCA at present permits the girl students to attend their lectures, etc., merely as an act of courtesy and not because they are bound to do so. If, per chance, the YMCA should say that they are not able for some reason or other, to permit the girls to undergo the theoretical courses in the YMCA College, the government would be compelled to appoint additional staff and to have libraries and laboratories for the theoretical work of the girls. This will involve a large outlay of recurring and non-recurring expenditure. It does not seem desirable that government should take up this responsibility of very heavy expenditure for the sake of a few girls who undergo the physical training course each year.

8. ~~As~~ The Principal points out that for administrative efficiency and convenience, the whole of the activities and the college premises including the women's course ought to come under the authority of the Principal of the college. There seems to be no reason why the YMCA should not conduct the course for the women candidates also. They are well qualified to carry on such a course and they will appoint well qualified staff to be in charge of the girls. It will be much cheaper also for government if the YMCA runs the women's course. Thus, taking all things into consideration, the YMCA may be permitted to take over the women's training course altogether.

9. This, if accepted, will involve two main questions - (1) what is to be done with Mrs. Buck and her Assistant and (2) what is to be done with the sheds constructed at government cost.

10. As regards Mrs. Buck, she travels throughout the Presidency to inspect the work in the schools and to give refresher courses wherever necessary. This work is really sufficient for one officer because physical training in our schools is still in a very elementary stage and without constant supervision and guidance, not much of improvement can be expected. At present, Mrs. Buck and her Assistant take touring by turns and they attend to the girls

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girls in Saidapet whenever they are in Madras. When, as proposed, the girls' course is to be entirely under the control of the YMCA, Mrs. Buck or her successor will be entirely free to devote ~~more~~ her time to organize physical training throughout the Presidency, to hold refresher classes at frequent intervals and to attend, as Chief Officer for Physical Education, the administration from the headquarters. Thus the question of Mrs. Buck does not raise any difficulties for its solution.

11. As regards her Assistant, it may be noted that under Post-War Reconstruction, it is contemplated to have six posts of Physical Inspectresses for the expansion of physical education. If, at least one of these posts is sanctioned during the coming year, there will be no difficulty in posting the present Assistant to one of these posts, as she is a very capable Assistant indeed. Thus there will be no difficulty of solving the problem regarding the Assistant to the Woman Specialist.

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12. As regards the buildings, the amount spent by government has been shown at the beginning of this letter. As already indicated in this letter, the buildings with the exception of the store room constructed for the hostel ~~were~~ are only temporary buildings, originally with thatched roof and later with tiled roof. Considering the very valuable work done by the YMCA both for the boys and for the girls, considering that the buildings will continue to be used by the girls for hostel purposes even after the YMCA undertakes the work of training the girls also, considering the very large sums of money spent by the YMCA, Saidapet for the furtherance of physical training course, Olympic Sports, Inter-School Sports and Inter-Collegiate Sports, etc., and considering the proportionately very small amount of grant given by government towards these activities, ~~it is reasonable to~~ I recommend very strongly that the YMCA may be authorized to use the buildings under reference without ~~demanding~~ any compensation ~~for them~~ to Govt. from the YMCA authorities.

13. Thus, if these proposals are accepted by government, the question of constructing the bungalow by government for the Woman Specialist or her Assistant does not arise. However, the YMCA authorities will need to construct a bungalow for the Woman Assistant whom they will appoint to be in charge of the girls. The Principal, YMCA College appeals for a full grant towards the cost of this structure. It is a matter for government to decide whether they will give full grant or only half grant as is done in the case of aided colleges. For purposes of the Grant-in-aid, this ~~school~~ college has been recognized under Chapter VI of the Grant-in-Aid Code as a special institution and for purposes of teaching grant, government has empowered the Director to sanction teaching grant under Rule 45 of the Grant-in-Aid Code. The Director sanctioned two-thirds of the calculated expenditure as teaching grant for the college for 1944-45. If government think it impossible to sanction more than half grant towards the construction of any building that may be necessary either for the occupation of the Woman Assistant or Assistants that may be required for the women's training course at Saidapet and for hostel purposes, etc., government may promise to give to the YMCA half grant as is done in the case of all aided institutions. The Principal also asks that the full cost on the women's course after it is taken up by the YMCA be met by government. This cannot be done but two-third grant will be calculated as was done last year.

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PHYSICAL EDUCATION - Physical training class~~es~~ for women - Saidapet.- Construction of quarters for staf
Appd.
From the D.P.I., Rc.No.1893.G/45 dated 1-2-1946.

Order/Ms.No. 285 Edn. dated 8/2/46

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The Government have already sanctioned the continuance of the Physical Training Class~~es~~ for Women at Saidapet during 1946-7. They do not consider that any immediate change should be made in the management of the class and that the question may be examined in connection with the continuance of the class in 1947-1948.

2. It has been brought to the notice of Government that there is very urgent need for accommodation for the staff of ~~the~~ class. They, ~~therefore~~ have, therefore, decided that two houses should be constructed at Govt. cost on condition that they will be for occupation

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by the staff in charge of the class. The D.P.I. is requested to obtain and forward to Government necessary plans and estimates for the houses at a very early date.

OBM
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To the D.P.I.
To the Principal, Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet.
To the P.W.D.

II.

D.O.No. 44758C-II. Edn. dated 8/2/46.

Dear Madam,

I am to enclose a copy of G.O.Ms.No. 285 Edn., dated 8/2/46 containing the Government's decision in regard to the management of the Physical Training Classes for Women and the construction of ~~quarters~~ houses for the staff.

Yours sincerely,

OBM
8/2/46

Mrs. M.M. Buck,
College of Physical Education, Saidapet.
(with copy of order)

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8 OCT 1945

Old College, Cathedral Post,
Madras, Dated 25-9-1945.

From: Mrs. M.M. Buck, M.A.,
Woman Specialist in Physical Education,
Madras.

To: The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

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Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following proposals as a Part II Scheme, under the Budget 1946-47.

The Scheme:
The addition of a Second Course to the Madras Government Physical Education Teacher Training Course for Women, at the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet.

It will be called Course II.

It will be allied to the Physical Education Course, and many of the classes will be held in common.

Back-Ground for the Scheme.
The tremendous increase in applications for admission to the womens colleges is causing great concern to women educationalists of this Presidency. It is quite impossible to provide places for the majority of the applicants. And it would not be right to attempt to do so. For within our present economic structure a 4 years college course is not the best, nor is it the only possible solution for the majority of women students who press us to solve the problem of filling the 2 or 3 or 4 years between completion of their S.S.L.C. and their contemplated marriage.

For the women fitted for it, a college course opens new vistas widens horizons, and provides a basis upon which an increasingly rich intellectual life may be built.

It is not everywhere necessary that every woman holding a college degree should enter a profession. But in India it is desirable that the majority do so, as teachers - and doctors are so urgently needed. Since the need for the professional women is so great, the majority of the seats must be reserved for women who will, for a few years be willing to teach and thus fill the urgent need for women teachers.

At present, however there can be no guarantee that a student entering college, will either complete the course or that she will enter a profession after completion. Unfortunately for the many vacant posts, a large percentage secure their degree and then marry at once or remain at home. This increases the cultural heritage of the country, but we cannot at the -- moment well afford such an expensive luxury.

It is inevitable that such an unequal result should occur, when we have provided no alternative after completion of the S.S.L.C. but teacher training courses, medical schools and colleges, and Nurses Training schools all for professional women; and Arts Colleges. Very few women are fitted for medicine and nursing, and only a small percentage are interested in teaching. The vast majority look forward to marriage and home making. For them we as yet, offer only a 4 years Arts course. It has long been felt that there should be another course, of equal status, as carefully planned to prepare women for the noble profession of home-making as other technical courses are planned to prepare women for the noble medical, nursing and teaching professions.

Experiments with shorter courses have been tried in womens colleges. But a one year course attached to a four years College is predestined to failure. The one year students feel like step children, and cannot be expected to do their best when four groups of one year students complete their course while one degree group is finishing its course. The psychological factor involved is extremely important, and cannot be disregarded. It assumes greater significance because the age group involved is around seventeen years, which is an extremely sensitive emotional time in the life of a woman.

It is submitted therefore, that any alternative course to a two year teacher training course, or to a nurses course, or to a degree course must be either a completely separate institution, or it must be a second course in an institution offering a one year course

The Madras Government Physical Education Teacher Training Course for Women is such an institution. Its course is completed in ten months. It offers three examination awards ------ I. The Diploma Course for graduates, II. The Higher Grade Government Certificate Course, for candidates who have completed their T.S.L.Cs., III. The Lower Grade Government Certificate Course, for candidates eligible for admission to the University of Madras.

This wide sweep across the educational circle, offers a situation tailored to meet the need.

In the area of the Y.M.C.A. College compound, of which the womens course is a part, there is ample space for development.

The Physical Education Course provides a number of courses as part of its established syllabus which should be an integral part of a one year course that will fill the evident educational gap.

The Educational Gap which requires a Scheme:

The sudden surge of girls into our schools has created, before we are prepared to meet it, an unfortunate situation. An examination award of at least an S.S.L.C. has seemed so important to parents, they have shielded their daughters from all kinds of home responsibilities. As a result a disturbingly large number not only do not know how to cook, but they consider it demeaning. Somewhere along the educational path, the wrong turning has been taken, and an entirely false set of valies has been acquired by our girls.

It is not necessary to enlarge upon this point. It is well understood. It need only be stated that anything that underminesa girls pride in homemaking is wrong. If our educational process for girls is leading them to scorn cooking, sewing, and all the little but beautifully important tasks of homemaking, it is time that a new lead is given. If the present psychological mood requires an examination award, such an award must be arranged. The important thing is to life the profession of homemaking to a level higher than that of any other occupation. This can be done, in a one year course, in a suitable institution, through carefully correlated courses. It is submitted that the following scheme will provide a suitable lead for solving an urgent situation.

The Scheme for Filling the Educational Gap.

The Physical Education Course now offered by the Department of Education is a 10 months course. It shall be called Course I.

From July 1st, 1947, there shall be added another 10 months course, to which may be admitted graduates, T.S.L.C. holders and candidates eligible for admission to the University. This shall be called Course II.

Course I and II shall have the following work in common:-
Practical Classes
The morning body building activities classes;
Lectures
Health Education.
Physiology and Anatomy.
Psychology.
Sociology.

They will not attend the technical physical education lectures. Instead they will attend courses in the following:-

1. The purchasing, preparing and serving of food. For a family, for the invalid, for the baby, for the growing child.
2. The purchase, of cloth, and the instruction of garments for men, women, children and infants.
3. The growth of food: - vegetables and fruits, herbs and medicinal plants. Very extensive vegetable gardens have this year been planted for the womens section, on reclaimed land. They will be shared with Course II.
4. The care and feeding of cows. The fine herd of cattle owned by the W.S.P.E. will be under their care. This will avoid the expenditure of Government funds upon the purchase of cattle.
5. The care of cows, and the growing of vegetable fruits and herbs must be done on the spot. All of it therefore cannot but be practical.

The danger of complete impracticability confronts one with the work on foods, and upon cloth.

It is submitted that for Course II it would be wasteful and educationally unsound to conduct cooking classes in the usual domestic science laboratory. Course II is designed to prepare girls to be homemakers. All of their work must be done therefore in small homes. The request for building grants made below may be underlined with the explanation that no cooking or Sewing classes will be held in laboratories or class rooms, but in the kitchens and rooms of the little cottages in which the students will live. This will be done because it is the most effective way to teach, but it will also effect a substantial saving in building costs.

Furthermore, the Sewing classes will be permanently practical. The making of lace and embroidery will be the last detail to be tackled. The students must first learn how to select and purchase simple cotton materials for their own under garments, and then how to cut and stitch them. They will then learn how to make childrens clothes, and then how to make mens shirts and coats, and how to repair, turn and alter clothes and adorn socks and stockings.

It is also important that the home maker know how to wash and iron clothing, as it should be done in the home.

The Arts.
When the homemaker is able to safeguard her husbands welfare and his money by the wise and happy supply of food and of clothing, she may turn her mind to the aesthetic side, and think of music, dancing, painting etc.,

Classes will be held therefore in Indian Music, in the various language groups required by the student body.

Classes will also be held in classical Indian dancing, as well as in the happy, informal kummi and kolattam which are so important for festivals and parties.

Group Recreation:
The modern husband is proud of his wifes ability to play games. The students of Course II will share in the Course I Classes in which teniquoit, badminton, tennis, bi-cycling, golf, swimming and rowing are taught. Each student will be expected to reach a reasonable degree of proficiency so that she may share in her husbands leisure time athletic recreation, and intelligently enjoy the games her children play.

Community Interests:
The Woman who is able to care happily and efficiently for her own home and family, owes a debt to her community. She must be interested in the less fortunate wives who have not had her advantages, and be ready to share her knowledge and experience with them.

The students of Course II will be able to share, with the students of Course I, the Social Service Work carried on in Saidapet. Especially the work done at the Health Centre, with women and children. In sharing this work, the students will come to understand the problems of the community, and how wives and mothers may help to solve them.

The above should form a stable foundation for an interesting course. It is proposed to limit admissions for the I year to 18 students.

Staff:
1. The W.S.P.E. and her Assistant.
2. A Nursery School teacher, for the Nursery school, in which practical work in the care of children will be a project carried on by Course II students.
3. Three Cooking teachers. These will not be Domestic Science Specialists, but women in Madras who are known for their excellent cooking and economical purchasing. At least three will be required, in order to teach Southern, Northern and West Coast cooking.

There must also be a series of classes conducted by nutrition experts on the wise purchase of food from the scientific view point. These may be honorary.

4. A Sewing teacher. She also will be a practical home dress make local tailors, clever at various stitches and types of cutting, will be employed for special classes.

5. Teacher of Indian Dancing. An Artist has been found who is an extremely good teacher.
6. Three music teachers - Tamil, Telugu and Hindi.
7. A Hostel Superintendent. She must be capable of helping with the supervision of the gardens and of the cows.

Salaries of Staff:
The W.S.P.E. is not able to state the exact amount to be required for salaries.

1. The Dance teacher and the Nursery School teacher will take classes throughout the 10 months. They should be paid, it is submitted, at the rate of Rs.150/- p.m.

2. The three cooking teachers and the three music teachers will probably divide the year into three parts, each teaching for 3 months. So, there would be only one salary. Is graduate pay a possibility?

3. The Sewing teacher must be a superior person, far above the usual run of ordinary sewing teachers. She should be paid Rs.50/- p.m. for the 10 months.

4. The Hostel Superintendent may be paid according to the usual Government scale.

Since it is not now possible to work out the exact budget, it is requested that the principle of the Course be accepted, and its opening on July 1st, 1947 be accepted. Once that is done the final terms for staff may be considered.

Construction of Buildings:

The following will be required:

1. A cottage for the W.S.P.E. She has kindly been permitted by the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education to continue to reside in the Principal's Bungalow. Mr. and Mrs.Colin Moffat are arriving from New York shortly, and should, the W.S.P.E. feels, have the bungalow to themselves. A cottage should, therefore, be constructed for her near the present Course I and the future Course II.

2. For the first year, three cottages only, housing 6 girls each will be required.
3. A building comprising the community dining room and kitchens, store-room, and hostel superintendent's room.
4. A cottage for the Nursery School. It may be planned as a Unit structure, as expansion will surely be required since Thyagarayanagar is next door, and the pool, the extensive compound and its advantages will attract many parents as an ideal spot for their children to begin school.
5. Adequate arrangements for lighting, water supply and sanitation.
6. Roads and pathways. It is proposed that Course II be established in the corner of the compound from which access to Mount Road is easy. A direct entrance will, it is likely be made, thus providing easy access for Nursery School children.

Temporary structure.

During construction, it is advissble for some one to live on the spot. The W.S.P.E. requests immediate sanction for the construction of a temporary thatch and palm cottage in which she will live while the permanent buildings are under construction.

Also immediate sanction, as a Part I scheme of funds sufficient for a permanent bungalow for the W.S.P.E. is requested. Construction to begin in April 1946. It may be urgently completed. Construction of all other buildings may be sanctioned in order that they may be ready for use in June 1947.

Staff may be sanctioned from July 1947. But sanction for the course may kindly be granted in order that staff arrangements, now tentatively considered may be completed.

It is submitted that there is an urgent need for a Course II. That the establishment of such a course alongside the already existing Course I will fill a serious educational gap. And that the experiment is well worth a trial, in an institution that has already, so many of the required facilities.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

M. M. Buck
Woman Specialist in
Physical Education.

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Please, see A₂'s minute on page 1 ante. This may be sent to the D. P. I. no: for putting up proposals urgently.

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Proceedings of the Director of Public Instruction.
R.C.No.2145-E/45, dated 1-10-1945.

Subject:- Physical Education - Addition of a second course to the Physical Education Teacher Training Course for Women at the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education, Saidapet.

Read:- Letter dated 26th September 1945 from the Woman Specialist in Physical Education.

The Woman Specialist in Physical Education is informed that it is too late to consider this proposal for Part II of the Budget Estimate for 1946-47. The Director however would like to discuss it with the Woman Specialist in due course.

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G.L. Lobo,
for Director of Public Instruction.

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Sd. N.C. Srinivasan,
Superintendent.

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DO No. 44758 C/45-2 Edn dt 9-11-45

Physical Education - Addition of a second course to the Physical Trg class for women at the Y.M.C.A. College, Saidapet.

Dear Dr. Savoor,

I am directed to invite your attention to this dept no No: 44758C-1 dt 13.10.45 on the subject noted above and to say that Sir ~~Mavins~~ Austin would like to have your remarks in the matter quickly.

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Yours sincerely

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Dr. S.R.U. Savoor. M.A. D.Sc (Lond)
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U.O. reply No.2145-E/45.

Office of the Director of Public Instruction, Madras, 12-11-1945.

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The scheme of Mrs. Buck is based on the following assumptions:--

(1) That the increase in the number of applicants for admission to colleges is causing great concern to women educationists in this Presidency and that it is quite impossible to provide places for the large majority of the applicants;

(2) That a large percentage of students who take college degrees either marry at once or remain at home. This increases the cultural heritage of the country but we cannot at the moment afford such an expensive luxury;

(3) That we have provided no alternatives after completion of the S.S.L.C. except courses for training of teachers, nurses and arts in colleges. The vast majority look forward to marriage and home-making but we have nothing to offer to them except the four years college course;

(4) That experiments in a shorter course of one year in arts colleges have proved a failure; and

(5) That the girls after the S.S.L.C. not only do not know how to cook but that they consider it demeaning and that an entirely false set of values has been acquired by our girls.

The above assumptions are either partly or totally incorrect. Mrs. Buck seems to be ignorant of the courses prescribed in the S.S.L.C. scheme. Just as Manual training has been prescribed for boys as a 'B' subject, Home-craft has been prescribed for girls from Form IV to VI Form. Home-craft includes health in the home, defence against disease, the home and its surroundings, family income, food and nutrition, animal and vegetable proteins for vegetarians and non-vegetarians, minerals, water, the daily ration, choice and care of clothing, home nursing and care of infants. It is no doubt true that the girls in the schools cannot learn these items actually except in the atmosphere of a cottage run by themselves. But still a great amount of practical work is done by the girls in connection with this Home-craft which is taught to all the girls in the higher forms of a secondary school for girls.

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Secondly, Domestic Science is included as a 'C' subject in the S.S.L.C. scheme. This subject includes home organization, home economics, economy in choice and care of clothing, health in the home, healthy surroundings, animal pests in the home, disease due to unwholesome food, personal health, home treatment in simple cases of ill-health, food and health of the community.

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Thirdly, Needle-craft is also a 'C' subject for the S.S.L.C. examination. This includes both theoretical and practical work including the choice of materials, calculation of quantity required, various types of stitching and repairs, garment making, knitting and embroidery.

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Thus it will be seen that educationists in this Province have been alive to the particular needs of Indian girls in regard to their study upto the S.S.L.C. standard. Mrs. Buck's **assertion** that the girls dislike cooking and that they consider it demeaning is wholly incorrect. The Indian girl just like her Western sister learns her house keeping from her mother or guardian in the house. It may be that such house keeping is very often based on antiquated ideas and not on modern ideas of Hygiene, sanitation and scientific feeding. But with the knowledge acquired by the girl in the school, she can certainly improve matters as far as is possible. The girl who does not like to cook or to do any type of manual work in the house is the fashionable young lady of rich parents who likes to have lipstick and rouge on her face and who likes to dance and drink champaigne in a Club. The girls of this type are so few in number at present that we need not worry about them.

The present day Indian parents want girls to be educated at least upto the S.S.L.C. standard but many of them want them to study further so that they might also take up professional courses. Even if they do not wish to take professional courses, they consider that education upto the Intermediate standard is very necessary considering the rather low standard of the S.S.L.C. examination. They want their girls to have a good working knowledge of English for which there is no provision made in the course proposed by Mrs. Buck. Thus even from the cultural point of view, the Indian parents are trying to give to their girls education upto the Intermediate standard. I cannot agree with Mrs. Buck that considering Indian economics, it is not wise to educate the girls at least upto the Intermediate standard.

In regard to the 'C' subjects - Domestic Science and Needle-work mentioned above, out of a total of 2,878 girls who completed the S.S.L.C. in 1945 only 34 took Domestic Science, 51 took Needle-craft and 82 took Indian Music. Two reasons may be ascribed to this lack of interest for these special subjects. Firstly, there was no course in the Intermediate to which these subjects lead up, except Indian Music but every girl is not talented in Music. This shows that the parents who wanted their girls to read upto the S.S.L.C. were also desirous that the subjects they took up lead up to the Intermediate course. They were also desirous that the subject taken for the S.S.L.C. might enable the girls to enter into a professional course like Medicine. Perhaps, the more monied parents do not bother what their girls take in the S.S.L.C. Course and do not realize the real value of subjects like Domestic Science and Needle-work. Now that the subject of ~~Home Science~~ Household Art is going to be definitely introduced as an optional for the Intermediate, it may be presumed that the number of girls who will take up Domestic Science and Needle-work for the S.S.L.C. will steadily increase. A statement is placed below showing the number of girls for the S.S.L.C. and the number who took these subjects during the last three years. The names of schools which have made provision for these subjects is also included in the statement.

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If we consider the scheme put up by Mrs. Buck, it may be seen that--

(1) That students proposed to be admitted to the course are "graduates, T.S.L.C. holders and candidates eligible for admission to the University". If, as Mrs. Buck has proposed, Course II is to fill up the gap between "S.S.L.C. and contemplated marriage", it is not understood why graduates and

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trained teachers should have been included.

(2) The scheme is for a small number of 18 students. It is obvious that South India cannot benefit by a special course given to such a small number of students in the year; p 9 ante

(3) The scheme contemplates the holding of classes in Indian Music in the various languages required by the student body. Thus for the 18 students in the class, Musicians from North India, Tamil, Telugu and Carnatic disticts should be provided to cater to the linguistic requirements of the pupils. Even so this assumes that all the 18 students will be musically talented enough to benefit by coaching in higher Indian Music. It is not known what would be done with a girl who would like to undergo all the other items of the curriculum but who is not talented at all in Indian or Western Music. p 7 ante

(4) Indian Dancing including Kummi and Kolattam which Mrs. Buck considers so important for festivals and parties is included in the scheme. Kummi and Kolattam are taught in elementary and secondary schools and Mrs. Buck must be fully aware of this. In India Dancing is not considered as a social accomplishment. Indian girls do some dancing in their schools but in their own homes or in society Indian girls do not dance except those who have adopted Western dancing. Thus the only girls who would like to take lessons in higher Indian dancing are those who would like to take it up as a profession. Hence, I do not see any point in Mrs. Buck's inclusion of Indian dancing as an accomplishment necessary for the type of girl whom she wants to train as a home-maker. —do—

The only good point that I have seen in this scheme is the practical side of the scheme, i.e., here the girls will run their own cottages, do their own marketing, their own house-keeping, their won own tailoring and their own gardening. We cannot cater to so much of practical work in our schools. But the question arises whether the intersts of the community and the country will in any way be served by giving this practical work to a handful of girls at Saidapet. In my opinion it will not serve this wider purpose and therefore the expenditure involved/~~wikkxnatxserxexthis~~ would not be justified. p 5 ante

Mrs. Buck's scheme is somewhat on the lines of what are called, "Finishing schools" in Belgium and some other countries. In such finishing schools young ladies of decent families are taken in by respectable and qualified persons who train them up as home-makers and hostesses. These girls run their own house under the general supervision of the persons controlling such finishing classes. It would be quite open for Mrs. Buck to open such a finishing school as a private school at Saidapet for girls of parents who desire such a finishing touch. But to the ordinary girl of this Presidency it will not be practicable to take such a course at Saidapet.

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Reference is also invited to my letter R.C.No.696-A/45 dated 19-9-1945 regarding the new course in Household Art to be introduced next year in the Queen Mary's College. The Principal, Queen Mary's College, reports that applications from several moffusil colleges have been made to the University for this course. When this new course is introduced in the colleges, neither Mrs. Buck nor any one else will be able to say that there is an educational gap between the S.S.L.C. examination and the date when the girl marries. Now it would be possible for the girls to select Domestic Science or Needle-work in the S.S.L.C. and then to follow up their knowledge with the Household Art course in the Intermediate class. Thus the girl who wishes to leave college after the Intermediate so as to enter into matrimony will have sufficient knowledge of house-keeping as contemplated by Mrs. Buck in her scheme.

The question of opening a nursery school at Saidapet can be considered separately.

The question of building a small bungalow for the Woman Specialist and another for her Assistant can also be considered separately.

In conclusion I should like to state that the Course II outlined by the Woman Specialist is decidedly far too limited both in scope and content in comparison with the existing

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syllabus under "Domestic Science" under Group C of the S.S.L.C. scheme and much more so than the University courses, "Home Science" and "Household Art" at the Queen Mary's College, Madras. The course does not at all provide for the teaching of English to the higher standard that is desired by Indian parents. It may be remarked that though a detailed syllabus has not been framed under "Domestic Science and Cookery", in the proposed bifurcated courses for secondary schools, all the topics suggested by Mrs. Buck can certainly find a place under the general heads. It is doubtful, therefore, whether Indian girls would prefer to go to Saidapet for Course II. The cost of the scheme has also to be worked out in detail. Mrs. Buck says that she is not able to state the amount needed.

S K Savoor

Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

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STATEMENT showing the number of girl candidates for the S.S.L.C. Public Examinations of 1943, 1944 and 1945.

Year of Examination.	Registered.	Examined.	No. of certificates completed.
1943	2,397	2,379	2,375
1944	2,742	2,706	2,693
1945	2,925	2,881	2,878

No. of girls taking up the following subjects:

Year of Examination.	Domestic Science.	Needle-craft.	Music. (Indian)
1943	37	47	48
1944	43	57	53
1945	34	51	82

Names of girls schools presenting the above subjects.

Name of school.	Subject.
(1) Queen Mary's Secondary and Training School for Women, Vizagapatam..	Indian Music
(2) Govt. Secondary and Training School for Women, Rajahmundry.	-Do-
(3) U.L.C.M. Girls High School, Rajahmundry ...	-Do.-
(4) Lady Willingdon Training College, Triplicane.	-Do-
(5) St. Anne's Girls High School, Royapuram ...	-Do-
(6) Presidency High School for girls, Egmore. ...	-Do-
(7) L.M. Bentinck Girls High School, Vepery ...	-Do-
(8) The Madras Seva Sadan, Chetput, Madras ...	-Do-
(9) M.M. Girls High School, Royapettah ...	-Do-
(10) National Girls High School, Mylapore ...	-Do-
(11) A.B.M. Girls High School, Nellore ...	-Do-
(12) Government Girls High School, Salem ...	-Do-
(13) Govt. Secondary & Trg. School for Women, Coimbatore.	-Do-
(14) Beasant National Girls High School, Mangalore...	-Do-
(15) Govt. Secondary & Trg. School for Women, Calicut.	-Do-
(16) Govt. Secondary and Trg. School for Women, Cannanore.	-Do-
(17) St. Joseph's Girls High School, Guntur ...	Domestic Scienc
(18) Govt. Secondary & Trg. School for Women, Bellary.	-Do-

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(19)	Presidency High School for Girls, Egmore.	Domestic Science.
(20)	M.M. Girls High School, Royapettah ...	-Do-
(21)	St. Raphael's Girls High School, Mylapore.	-Do-
(22)	St.Agnes Girls High School, Mangalore ...	-Do-
(23)	Goodwill Girls High School, Bangalore ...	-Do-
(24)	Kamalabai Girls High School, Bangalore...	-Do-
(25)	St.Agnes Girls High School, Mangalore ..	Needle-craft.
(26)	St. Anne's Girls High School, Mangalore.	-Do-
(27)	Ladyhill Girls High School, Mangalore.	-Do-
(28)	Capitona Girls High School, Concanadi, Mangalore	-Do-
(29)	Beasant National Girls High School, Mangalore	-Do-
(30)	St. Cecilian Girls High School, Udipi..	-Do-
(31)	Providence Girls High School, Calicut ..	-Do-
32..	Sacred Heart Girls High School, Tellicherry..	-Do-
(33)	St. Joseph's Girls High School, Guntur..	-Do-

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Please see A2's orders on page 1 ante. The Director's remarks on Mrs Buck's scheme will be found on pages 17-24 ante. For the reasons given by him the Director does not support the scheme. He says that the proposals for the opening of a nursery school at Saidapet and building two small bungalows for the woman Specialist and her Asst can be considered separately. The file may be submitted to A2 for orders. A2's decision may be invited to proviso to Sec. Instr. 20(4).

J.S.M. 14/11/45 3

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Serial 4. Pages 24 p:13 cf. 14/11/45

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I agree, generally, with the views of the D.P.I. p 22 ante, p 21 ante. I consider his recommendations may be accepted.

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As the D.P.I. admits, the practical side of the scheme is a good idea: but the D.P.I. differs fundamentally from Mrs. Buck in the premisses on which the scheme is based. I am inclined to agree with D.P.I. that the Govt. would not be justified in sanctioning the scheme.

2. The construction of ~~the~~ one or two bungalows may be proceeded with at once – provided the Y.W.C.A. agree to their occupation by the successors of Mrs. Buck & her assistant, even if they be not Xians.

3. The nursery school project may ~~also~~ be considered separately.

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A4 for perusal.

16/11/45

(there are very few schools actually providing Domestic Science & Needlecraft – the latter only one (? [illegible]) out of West Coast)

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Please see the orders on the previous page.

A draft DO to Mrs. Buck and another to the D.P.I. are subd.

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[DO to Mrs Buck NO: 44758C/45-3 d 17.11.45
DO to the D.P.I NO: 44758C/45-4 d 17.11.45] pp 1-4 cf

C. No: 55305C from the D.P.I. d 4.12.45. p 6 cf

Please see the D.P.I's DO on page 6 cf.
This may lie over till 15.12.45. A2 may see.

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SECRETARY, EDN. AND P.H. DEPT. 8 - DEC 1945 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From the DPI, D.O d 17-12-45   C. No. 57471/45
"   " No 1893-C/45 d 17-12-45   " 57472/45
pp 10-12 cf

Please see the D.O. letters of the D.P.I. on pages 8 and 10 c.f. In the circumstances reported in his D.O. on page 8 c.f., the proposal for opening a nursery school at Saidapet may be dropped.

2. With reference to paragraph 2 of A.2's minute on page 25 ante, the D.P.I. was asked to put up proposals for the construction of two small bungalows for the Women Specialist in physical Education and her Assistant, provided that the Y.M.C.A. authorities agreed to the occupation of the quarters by the successors of Mrs. Buck and her Assistant, even if they were not Christians. The Director has forwarded a copy of a letter from the Women Specialist in Physical Education in which it is stated that the question of religion need not be considered, that the important undertaking to be made is that the women in charge of the Physical Education and her Assistant will be guaranteed occupation of the quarters and that the Y.M.C.A. College will presumably be prepared to give such an undertaking. She has further stated that the college authorities will be addressed officially if Govt. considers that it is enough if such an undertaking is obtained ~~from them~~. The suggestion of the Woman Specialist may be accepted and the Director may be asked to obtain such an undertaking.

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p 12 cf

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C/P2NF

It may be pointed out in this connection that there is a proposal to create six posts of Physical Inspectresses ~~in~~ under the Post-War Plan for expansion of Physical Education, the post of Assistant to the Woman Specialist being abolished. If the posts are sanctioned, the Headquarters of one of the Inspectresses is likely to be Madras and she can reside in one of the cottages. It seems that the Y.M.C.A. College should be asked to agree to allow the Inspectress to occupy the quarters of the Assistant in such a contingency.

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It is also for consideration whether the Y.M.C.A. authorities should be asked to agree to a further condition that if for any reason the quarters are not required for the Woman Specialist or other officers connected with the Women's Physical Education at any time and are made use of by the Y.M.C.A. they should agree to pay a rent for the quarters at standard rates.

B May be stipulated.

The file may be sent to P.W.D. and Finance for remarks before circulation.

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ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 22 DEC 1945 7672

Edn and P.Hlth No: 44758C-7 22/12/45

Please see para 2 of the note on pp 26-27 above.
The proposals may be generally agreed to in this dept. The conditions refd to at A & B above may be imposed.
The file may be passed on to Fin

29.12.45

28/12/45 S/Fin

Fin (Exp B)

ASST. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT 31 DEC 1945

61495

Fin No 7672 C/45-1 29.12.45

27/12/45

The proposals of the Woman Specialist in Physical Education for the opening of Course II (Education Course Teacher Trg for Women) ~~[illegible]~~

pp 1-9

at Saidapet have not been ~~sanctioned~~ & approved by Govt. The file has been sent to this dept. for remarks on the proposal for the construction of two bungalows for the Woman Specialist and her Assistant and the ~~terms attached to it~~ ~~terms~~ conditions to be laid down. The orders in circulation on p. 25 above and the notes of E&P.H. on pp 26-27 may be perused. The proposals of E&P.H. at A, B & C on p. 27 above may be agreed to in this dept.

& vide para 1 on p. 1 c.f.

vide also p 9 above

2. The cost of the buildings to be constructed will be known only on receipt of plans and estimates. The financial procedure ~~not~~ to be followed ~~may~~ will be indicated by this dept. when the estimates are received and examined.

& see pp 6 & 12 c.f.

~~by Govt.~~

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Through Fin (Spl)

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ADDL. SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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7 - JAN 1946
EDUCATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH DEPT.

[The minutes and the notes from ~~page 28~~ E.P.H.(C) ante may be read]

Orders may be obtained in ~~circulation~~ circulation on the ~~points raised~~ proposals ~~at~~ 'A', 'B' & 'C' on p. 27. ante.

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A2. approved. Plans & estimates to be prepared quickly.

11.1.46

A draft DO to the D.P.I is subd.

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[D.O. 44758 C/45. 8 d 15.1.46]

pp 14 & 16 c.f.

~~The notes from p 28 ante and the D.O.~~ C.No. from the DPI R.C. no. 1893 G/45 d. 2.2.46 pp 14-16 c.f ~~may be read~~ Please see also the letter of the Principal Y.M.C.A College to the D.P.I on pp 20-29 c.f. and the DPI's remarks thereon on pp 32. 34 c.f. // The Director has explained the circumstances under which the Govt Physical Training Class for women was established in 1940 in the premises of the Y.M.C.A College at Saidapet, the nature of the expenditure incurred so far by Govt on the ~~school~~ class and the ultimate connection between the Y.M.C.A College and the women's physical training class.

2. The questions for consideration are:

(1) Whether Govt should continue to have the ~~school~~ class under their direct management or whether the YMCA authorities should run it as a part of the College, the Govt aiding the ~~school~~ Y.M.C.A under the Grant-in-Aid Code.

(2) if it is decided that the YMCA may run the ~~school~~ class

(a) what is to become of the woman specialist and her assistant, and

(b) what is to become of the sheds, etc. that have been constructed at Govt cost;

(3) Whether Govt should pay a grant to the YMCA for the construction of quarters for persons they would appoint to be in charge of the school.

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(1) above: The DPI has explained the advantages of handing over the ~~school~~ class to the YMCA. As it will be much cheaper for Govt if the YMCA runs the women's course and as the YMCA is well qualified to ~~carry on~~ undertake the responsibility, the proposal seems to be acceptable. A two-third grant may also be given for maintenance as explained by the D.P.I in the last para of his letter on p 34 c.f.

paras 6.7.8 on p 33 c.f.

(2) above. (a) The woman specialist will play the role of a Chief Officer for physical education and she will be entirely free to devote her time to organise physical training throughout the Presidency and the post of Assistant will be absorbed in one of the six posts of Physical Inspectresses which will be created

paras 10 & 11 on pp 33. 34 c.f

under the Post-war Reconstruction Scheme. Thus the D.P.I does not expect any difficulty regarding these two posts. p 34 C.f.

(b) For the reasons explained by the D.P.I in para 12 of his letter at p 34 cf., the sheds constructed at Govt cost may perhaps be handed over to the Y.M.C.A without any compensation to the Govt.

(3) above. The Principal has stated that the Y.M.C.A has no funds for the construction of buildings and has requested that a full grant may be sanctioned by Govt. In the case of all aided institutions Govt ~~give~~ usually give only a half grant for the construction of buildings. Having regard to the fact that the Govt would have constructed the buildings at their own cost if the women's course continued to be their responsibility, it is for consideration whether a full grant will be sanctioned as a special case. For orders. para 7, p 24 Cf

The file may be circulated to A_2.

Please see Proviso under rule 20(i) Of the Sect. Instructions

NSB 2.2.46

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The D.P.I. has pointed out that if the proposal to hand over the management of the Physical Training class for women to the Y.M.C.A. is approved, the question of construction of ~~quarters~~ bungalows for the woman specialist and her Asst. will not arise. There will then be no need for them to reside in the Y.M.C.A. college premises at Saidapet. The Principal has stated that the Govt. should construct at their own cost the two proposed bungalows, but that they should be for the use of the women staff of the Training class and not of the woman specialist and her Asst. para 13, p 34 Cf

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para 7, p 24 Cf

He has, however, no objection to the woman specialist and her Asst. occupying them so long as the present arrangement continues.

The management of the class may be transferred to the Y.M.C.A, a two-thirds grant being given but for the purpose. The buildings already constructed and those proposed to be ~~built~~ ~~under~~ the Part II scheme will may be handed over to the Y.M.C.A., ~~so~~ ~~for~~ free of cost subject to the condition that if they cease to be used for the class, the Y.M.C.A should pay suitable compensation to Govt. The Govt may further give a full grant to the Y.M.C.A, as a special case, for the construction of two bungalows provided that the woman specialist and her Asst. are permitted to occupy them until the Y.M.C.A authorities appoint a separate staff for the class. The Y.M.C.A. should also pay suitable compensation to Govt. when the bungalows cease to be utilised for the staff of the women's class. bottom of p. 34 Cf

~~The file may be circulated to A_2. His attention may be invited to the proviso under instruction 20 (4) of the Sectt Instructions.~~

2/2/46 S

The reports (pp. 20-26 & 32-33 cf) are, to my mind, a little confusing when read together.

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at p: 30 ante

does not appear to be correct. On the other hand, Q at p. 24 of shows that the continuation of these quarters is of immediate importance in any case; please see also Q-1 at p. 26 of.

What the Y.M.C.A. College desires is that the buildings should be continued for Mrs. Buck & her Assistant in their capacity as members of the Staff of the College and not as ~~teachers~~ Govt. servants & that if & when the present dual capacity they occupy is terminated the buildings should be available for their successors on the Staff of the College & not for their successors in the Govt. posts. In other words they want the conditions stipulated in paras 1 to 3 at pp. 14-15 of to be withdrawn, & the position laid down as at R at p. 24 of (the occupation to be obviously free of rent). T

In view of the fact that we have borne the full cost of the buildings connected with the hostel & the Nurse, & their maintenance, & are proposing to do the same with the building referred to in the letter, we may agree to the position being as at T above in respect of the ~~present~~ buildings proposed here, recognising these as a necessary adjunct to the Women's Course which we are running in the Y.M.C.A. College. Z

But I do not see why, beyond this, there should necessarily be a change

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immediately in the management of the Course itself. As at present arranged (Lr. No. 1595 dated 30.10.44) the Course will run up to the end of '46-47. And on the other hand the letter from the Principal indicates (paras 6 & 7 at pp. 23 & 24 of — particularly S at p. 24 of) that the Course can run on present lines, & Mrs. Buck & her Assistant can occupy the bungalows which are proposed to be built, so long as they are on the Staff of the College also, that ~~there~~ there is no immediate intention of terminating their services on the Staff, & that what the College is concerned about is the position after the services of these two on the Staff are terminated in due course; & it seems that it is only in this eventuality that they require freedom to appoint the Staff connected with this Course independently of Govt., the handing over of the entire management of the Course & the payment of full grant for running the Courses.

It looks to me sufficient therefore for us at present to accept the position as at T at.

Mrs Buck only is on the College staff also.

p: 32 ante. I add that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as at present of the question of a transfer of management considered, if necessary, as from the beginning of 47-48 (or the end of the present course of (L)), the case may be sent to P.W.D. & Fin. for remarks before its consideration.

Meanwhile as A2 has arranged to discuss the question with Mr. Burch on the 4th at 11 A.M. the file may be circulated to him for reference at the discussion.

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3/2/46.

(previous minute at p: 28 ante; with B following).

Special: to be sent to A2 at his bungalow: tomorrow's discussion at 11 A.M. of 3/2/46.

A2.

I am afraid I must leave this case to be settled by Mr. J.B. Bowen but, as I have gone ~~it~~ into it carefully & have today discussed it with Mr. Burch & Mr. Batchelor, I leave this minute. Of the two solutions suggested by the D.P.I. & by Sec. E.&P.H., I prefer that of Sec. E.&P.H. Mr. Burch & Mr. Batchelor also accept it. I suggest that an order issue on the following lines:- As the (46-7) course has been sanctioned & budget provision made therefor, the Govt. do not agree to an

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immediate change in the management of the course. This may be considered next year before the (47-8) course is sanctioned.

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In order to meet the need for accomodation, the Govt. intend to construct at once two ~~bungalows~~ houses, at ~~on the~~ their cost, on the analogy of the buildings already constructed for the women's course. No conditions will be laid down except that the houses will be for occupation by the staff in charge of the women's course. (Under the alienation terms the Govt. have the right to put up buildings.)

x of Govt land to YMCA

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Sec. E.P.H.

The file may now be sent to P.W.D. and Finance for remarks.

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P.W.D.

This dept is concerned with items 2(b) and (3) refd to at X at p29 ante. Please see S.P.H. Secy's note on p 32 ante. The suggestion at A above may be accepted. The file passed on to Fin.

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Fin (Exp. B).

(Previous Fin. note on pp. 27–28 above)

The notes of E.P.H. Secy. & the orders of A-2 on pp. 31–35 c.f. may be perused.

The proposal made, at the time the case was previously sent to Fin., was that the Govt. may agree to construct from their own funds two small bungalows for (1) The Woman Specialist in Physical Edn. & (2) Assistant to the Woman Specialist, provided the three conditions specified in the D.O. on pp. 14–16 c.f. are accepted by the Y.M.C.A.

vide EPH note on pp. 26-27

As a result of the representation on pp. 20–26 c.f. made by the Y.M.C.A. in reply to the D.O. referred to above, it is now proposed by E.P.H. (& has been agreed to by A-2) that the conditions stipulated in that D.O. may be withdrawn and that it may merely be laid down that the 2 bungalows proposed to be constructed by the Govt. on the Y.M.C.A. premises are for the occupation of the staff in charge of the Physical Training Course for women at Saidapet. The justification for the Govt. bearing the full cost is set out at 'Z' on p. 32 above. Please see also portion 'A' of A-2's minute on p. 35 above. Sub. to. that this dept. may accept — see minutes of A2 & A1 on p. 25 above. the above revised proposal / (Plans & estimate for the bungalows will no doubt be sent to the Govt. in due course – para. 5 on p. [illegible]

vide p. 33 above & 'A' on p. 35 above

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2. No special remarks are called for in Fin. at present on the question of modifying the

the present arrangements for the conduct of the Physical Training Course for women, as the question of making any change is proposed to be considered only at the time of sanctioning the continuance of the course in 1947–8 – vide 'B' on p. 34 above & para. 1 of A-2's minute on pp. 34–35 above.

[illegible] para 6 on p. 23 c.f.

Present sanction in G.O. (L) lasts up to end of 1946-7.

3. The case may be returned to E.P.H. That dept. will no doubt circulate the case to A-1

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WS
6.2.46

~~D.S.~~

Fin. no. 7048 EB-1
6.2.46.

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C.(P.H.)

The notes from p 31 ante, the minute on pp 34–35 and the note following may be read. The file may be circulated for orders on the proposals 'A' and 'B' on pp 34–35 ante

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7/2/46 A2. A1.

'Special' – in view of Q on p. 34 c.f.
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A & B. on pp 34–35 ante may be approved. It is fair to the Y.M.C.A. & to Mrs. Buck while she is on the staff of the Women's Course

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A draft order is subd. It is for orders whether a copy of the order shd be sent to Mrs Buck direct [illegible]

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Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Edn.

There is trouble at Saidapet:

1) The Y.M.C.A. controlling authorities in New York have ordered Miss Buck to go on long leave from April, have indicated that she is not to return & have made no arrangements to post anybody in her place as head of the Women's side.

GO No: 285 Edn 8.2.46.

pp 36-37 cf. (S).

Govt recently issued a G.O., in connection with the recent grant, saying that the question of handing over the Women's Course (which is at present financed by Govt.) to Y.M.C.A. would be considered next year.

2) Since Mr Buck died (in Sept 43) there have been difficulties in the College. The staff, headed by the then acting Principal, were refusing to accept any control by the local Council of the Y.M.C.A. This consists of Mr Ludden, Miss Asheler, Miss Solomon, Mr Kuruvilla Jacob, & Dr Ananda Rao Sr. The College has therefore been directed ultimately from Calcutta.

There is to be a meeting of the Council with a representative from Calcutta on 19th &, before that date, the Chairman wants

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an indication of Govt's attitude in the event of its resignation. | A

Are Govt. prepared to continue grants to an inefficient institution not subject to any control by local gentlemen? | B

The Inspecting Com: is to visit the college soon & it is stated that they will certainly remark on its inefficiency. | C

Please put up G.O.s governing the assignment of land, grants for women's course, continuation of Mr. Buck as adviser on women's ~~[illegible]~~ Physical Edn. &c.

HP 14/3/46

Put up papers with brief note.

2 Can we resume the portion of the site occupied by the Women's College & run it as a Govt. undertaking? | D

Apparently we meet all the cost at present. | E

3. Can we refuse aid to the men's College in future? | F

14-3-46

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14 MAR 1946
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There are two institutions to be considered:-

(1) the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education;

(2) the physical training class for women.

2. (1) above. The Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education was established in 1920. In 1931, the Government alienated 64.38 acres of land at Saidapet valued at Rs.2.56 lakhs to the Y.M.C.A. "for use as a school of physical education for promotion of athletics, games and physical training generally and for no other purpose." The conditions of alienation are set out in G.O.2578 Rev. dated 5-12-~~1936~~ 1931. One of the conditions of alienation of the land is that "the Govt. may resume the land wholly or in part with any buildings thereon in the event of the infringement of any of the conditions of the grant or if in the opinion of the Govt. the land is required for a Govt. school of physical education or any other public purpose." It is also provided that the Govt. shall give two years' notice before they take over the property for any reason other than the infringement of the conditions or the erection of buildings by the Govt. for educational or physical training schools.

(g) p3 of G.O.No.612 4-5-42

p 5 of (f)

Copy of G.O. on pages 3-11 of file no: 278 Rev 4.2.32 (f)

(are not readily available)

It has been called for from M.R.O. Chittoor. p 7 of (f)

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3, The Govt. have sanctioned non-recurring grants to the college for the following items:-

	Rs.	
(1) Construction of drains in the College compound..	2,500	(c) G.O.1474 Edn./8-5-44
(2) Construction of a swimming pool	43,100	(cc) G.O.1353 Edn/4-9-45 (a) G.O.1908 Edn/14-11-45
(3) Cricket field, cricket pavilion and other improvements.	79,175	(h) G.O.215 Edn/31-1-46 (i) G.O.400/25-2-1946.

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4. The college was not at first paid any maintenance grant. In G.O.612 Edn. dated 4-5-42, the Govt. approved the proposal of the Director to sanction a maintenance grant to it under Chapter VI of the Grant-in-Aid Code. The College was accordingly paid a grant on the usual half-net-cost-basis from 1941-42. Subsequently, on receipt of representations from the management, the Director recommended that grant at a higher figure than that calculated on the usual half-net-cost-basis might be paid and this was approved in G.O.1505-Edn. dated 24-9-45.

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(Book posted)

(ii)

5. The college is inspected annually by departmental

The latest inspection report is placed below

officers. There is no information in the Sectt. about the proposed inspection of the College, by a University Commn. Apparently, there is a proposal to institute a degree in Physical Education.

(J.S.)

6. Secretariat has also no information as to the part played by the College Council in the administration of the college. So far as the Edn. Dept. is concerned, they consider the Y.M.C.A. to be responsible for the proper administration of the college. It does not seem that the Govt. grants can be withheld because the College Council resigns. As long as the institution is run on proper lines to the satisfaction of the Edl. dept. it seems that the grants have to be continued.

7. Under the Grant-in-Aid Code, the Govt. have the right to refuse or withdraw any grant to an institution, at their entire discretion - vide para 2 on p.1 of the Grant-in-Aid Code. They can also withhold, reduce, or suspend the grant to any institution for violation of any of the conditions of recognition - vide para 36 on p.5 of the Code.

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8. Item (2) p.3 ante: Physical Training Class for women: This class was originally conducted in the L.W.T. Madras. The class was subsequently shifted to the Y.M.C.A. College of Physical Education in view of the facilities available there- Vide p.30 of G.O.381 Edn. dated 9-3-40. The staff sancd. by Govt. for the class consists only of the Woman Specialist in Physical Education (Mrs.Buck) and her Asst. The students attend the lectures given by the Y.M.C.A. College staff and they also use the libraries and laboratories of the college for which the Govt. are not paying any compensation or remuneration to the Y.M.C.A. - pl. see para 6, p.33 of G.O.285 Edn., dated 8-2-46. The present sanction for the class subsists till the end of the school year 1946-47. If the class is to be separated from the College, the Govt. will have to provide for it both addl. staff and equipment.

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9. The question of a change of the management of the class was considered recently and it was decided that it ~~may~~ might be examined in connection with the continuance of the class in 1947-48.

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10. The students of the training class were ~~being~~ at first accommodated in a private bldg. taken on rent by Govt. near the Y.M.C.A. College. The Govt. subsequently constructed a hostel for the class on a portion of the land alienated to the Y.M.C.A at a total cost of Rs.20,463/-(G.Os.1355 P.W; dated 2-6-41, 4780 P.W. dated 30-12-42 and 2298 P.W. dated 30-11-43) The construction of a store-room at a cost of Rs.5,650/- was sancd. last year - G.O.1222 P.W. dated 2-5-45. Provision has been included in the next year's budget for the construction of dhoby khana at a cost of Rs.4,300 and a games room and changing room at a cost of Rs.10,200/- The D.P.I. has also been asked to submit very urgently plans and estimates for the construction of two houses for the Woman Specialist and her Asst. - Vide G.O.285 Edn. dated 8-2-1946.

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Note at (M)

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11. As already stated one of the conditions of alienation of the land to the Y.M.C.A. is that the Govt. can resume the land wholly or in part if it is required for a public purpose. There may not be any difficulty in resuming the portion of the site in which the buildings referred to above for the training class have been constructed,. But there will still remain the question of addl. staff and separate equipment for the class.

12. The period of employment of Mrs. Buck as Woman Specialist in Physical Edn. expired on 1-10-45 and she has been re-appointed for another period of 5 years - G.O.1886 Edn. dated 12-11-1945.

(J)

B.M. 16/3/46 S

On a rapid review of the case (some of the points may require further or more specific consideration, when necessary) the position, with reference to Advisers' minutes at page 2 ante (portions marked A to F) may be said to be as follows :

"A" - The Government are not concerned with the resignation of the College Council as such. If there should be, in consequence, developments that affect the administration of the institution, and if at the next inspection its condition is such as to warrant withdrawal of grant, that step can be taken. There seems to be no question of 'recognition' as distinct from grant. The College ran for some years without a grant. If the management choose to run it on their own ~~other~~ after Govt. grant is withdrawn it does not appear that we can interfere so long as it is run. If on the ground that it is run inefficiently we want to terminate it, it seems we can do it only by deciding to run it as a Govt. College; in that case we can 'resume', but 2 years' notice ~~which~~ seems in that case necessary.

"B" - We cannot insist on local gentlemen being in control, or on any other particular pattern of management; for the rest, the remarks under "A" above apply.

"C" - The University inspection is apparently for the purposes of affiliation to a degree course. The institution may not be good enough for that, but still be good enough for the present course: the last inspection report at JJ was satisfactory. If the University inspection report should be unsatisfactory, we can, on the strength of it, and with or without a special inspection by the D.P.I., take action in respect of grants as indicated under "A" above; for the rest, the position will still be as indicated there.

"D" - The position is set out in paragraph 8 at page 4 ante. Government are running the courses with a certain staff of their own, but using also the staff and the premises of the Men's College. They have also put up certain buildings in connection with the course (para 10 at page 5 ante). There should be no difficulty, if Government should decide to run the course themselves entirely, in taking over these buildings; but additional accommodation and staff and equipment will have to be provided; additional buildings can be put up on the land (if space is available) by Govt. under the terms of alienation.

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"E" - This is not quite so - please see para 8 at page 4 ante.

In connection with the Women's course, the proposal mooted by the Y.M.C.A at (S) was that it should run it entirely and get full grant from Government. If there should be proved inefficiency in the management of the ~~Women's~~ Men's institution and that is reflected in the present arrangement of running the courses, Government would naturally prefer to run the course themselves rather than pursue the proposal mooted at (S).

"F" - This has been dealt with under "A" above.

16/3/46

A4. A1.

Special: to be sent to Minister's Camp Calcutta: the Council in town today, tomorrow & the 18th are holidays: A1 wishes to be in a position to indicate his line of approach before the ~~18th~~ 15th.

16/3/46

3.35 P.M.

Govt are concerned only with the efficiency of the College. They cannot interfere merely because the local Council resigns as a protest against interference by the Calcutta Council.

16.3.46

Thanks. A very good note by office.

Is written to Mr. Batchelor.

17/3/46

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