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[Despatch Abstract.]

G.S.C. Rules - Bringing outside
or political pressure on authority
by officers for furtherance
of their interest - Deprecate
Issue of a general O.R.
Papers recorded.

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Sri K.P. Govinda Menon, B.A. (Hons.) Oxford and Madras,
Bar-at-Law,
Principal, Government Arts College, Rajahmundry.

I. The following vacancies due to retirement of the present incumbents will take place before July 1947. These vacancies may occur even a few weeks earlier owing to these officers taking leave preparatory to retirement.

1. Sri T. Suryanarayana--Principal, Presidency College, Madras--
31st July 1947.
2. Rao Saheb Sri C.D.S. Chetti--Deputy Director of Public Instruction, Madras--20th April 1947.

II.(a) The following is the latest list of officers in the Education Department (Collegiate Section) arranged according to seniority.

- (No.1. Sri T. Suryanarayana; Retiring on 31-7-1947.
- No.2. Rao Saheb Sri C.D.S. Chetti: Retiring on 20-4-1947.
- No.3. Sri Guruswamy Reddy--Vice-Principal, Teachers' College, Saidapet.
- No.4. Sri P. Narayana Gowd. Acting Principal, Govt. Arts College, Anantapur.
- No.5. Mr. Abdul Haq. Permanent Principal, Govt. Mohamadan College, Madras.
- No.6. Sri K.P.G. Menon. Permanent Principal, Govt. Arts College, Anantapur now Principal, Govt. Arts College, Rajahmundry.
- No.11. Mr. Manavala Ramanujam, Professor, Presidency College, Madras.

(b) No. 1. retires in 4 months.

No.2. retires in three weeks.

No.3. is only a Vice-Principal and has never even acted as Principal.

No.4. is only an officiating Principal on probation and not yet confirmed as such.

No.5. is Mr. Menon's only real senior whose promotion either as Principal, Presidency College, Madras, or as Deputy Director will not be against rules, except that he has no mufassal District experience of Elementary and Secondary ^{Schools} as D.E.O. for the Deputy Director's place and further that if he is made Principal, Presidency College, Madras Mr. Menon is the next Senior and eminently qualified officer for the Deputy Director's vacancy occurring on 2

No.6. namely, Mr. Menon, has put in 4 years of permanent service as D.E.O., West Godavary, Vizaga, Trichinopoly and Malabar and 5 years permanent service as Principal of a Govt. First Grade College and was promoted for reason of efficiency over his Juniors by the then Congress Education Minister, Dr. Subbarayan, and the then Director of Public Instruction, Sir Mervel Statham. It is now rumoured that a Junior person is going to be promoted and appointed either as Principal, Presidency College, Madras or as Deputy Director. Qualifications not provided for in the Government Statutory Rules governing

who was adopted long ago to have
Directors in the office of the Director
with Collegiate University education. The 2 Deputy
Inspectors of Schools viz. Sri D.S. Reddi and Janab K. Muhammad.

(1) Mr. C.D.S. Chetti, the retiring Deputy Director was, immediately
to his appointment as Deputy Director, Principal of the Ceded Districts College,
Anantapur and Government Arts College, Rajahmundry just like Mr. Menon.

(2) His predecessor as Deputy Director, Mr. T. Suryanarayana, the present
Principal of the Presidency College, was also Principal of Govt. Arts College,
Rajahmundry immediately prior to his appointment as Deputy Director.

Mr. Menon possesses the same qualifications as these two gentlemen besides
having been a D.E.O. with District experience in West Godavary, Vizagapatam,
Trichinopoly and Malabar. Mr. Menon is the senior-most officer, and the senior-
most Malayalee officer, in the department with over 22 years of experience as
Professor, Vice Principal, D.E.O. and now Principal and with qualifications
the like of which not even his seniors possess and not one of his Juniors
possesses. Mr. Menon has also the unique experience of Circars Andhra,
Ceded Districts Andhra, Tamil, Kanarese (Mangalore) and Kerala Districts either
as Principal of the Government First Grade Colleges at Rajahmundry and Anantapur
or as D.E.O. West Godavary, Vizagapatam, Trichinopoly and Malabar.

IV. Under Rule 2(c) of the Madras Educational Service Rules reproduced below
Transfers between the Collegiate and the Administrative sections can be
done and have been done by Government in the recent past and as recently as
September 1946 viz. only 6 months ago:-

Rule 2(c): "Transfers between the administrative and collegiate
and between Professors and Lecturers in Mathematics
Colleges on the one hand and Lecturer in Mathematics
College of Engineering on the other and the trans-
Inspectress of European Schools and any post in
and between the Kindergarten Lecturer and any
trative section of the Women's Branch may who the
in the interests of the public service be
Government."



I. Transfer between Administrative and Collegiate Sections:

Sri T. V. Apparasundaram Mudaliar, D.E.O. Trichinopoly was transferred on promotion as Principal, Teachers' College, Saidapet in September 1946.

II. Transfer between Collegiate and Administrative Sections:

(1) Sri T. Suryanarayana, Principal, Government Arts College, Rajahmundry was transferred to the Administrative Section on promotion as Deputy Director of Public Instruction in 1942 and again transferred to the Collegiate Section as Principal, Presidency College, Madras in 1945.

(2) Rao Saheb Sri C.D.S.Chetti, Principal, Government Arts College, Rajahmundry was transferred on promotion as Deputy Director of Public Instruction in 1945.

V. On every count namely, long service, high seniority, exceptionally high academic qualifications, both in Madras and Oxford and London Universities, a combination of Collegiate University and District Inspecting experience etc. Mr. Menon should be appointed either

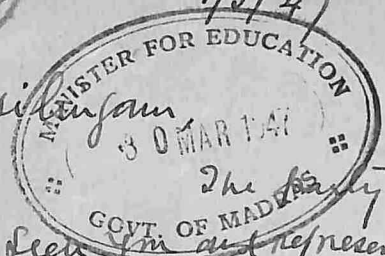
- (1) Principal, Presidency College, Madras or
- (2) Deputy Director of Public Instruction in one of these 2 vacancies.

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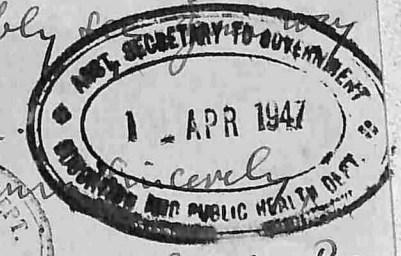
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to have seen ~~you~~ ^{the party} and represented
case. It appears to me as a
serving case. I shall be glad
if you can possibly
to help him on.



S. S. Ramachandra Rao

Dr. I.S.Peter, M.A., Ph.D., (Lond.) Till recently Principal, Govt. College, Mangalore, and now transferred as Lecturer, Govt. Arts College, Anantapur.

Age:

Age: 53 1/2 years.

Studied at the Noble College, Masulipatam, Madras Christian and Presidency Colleges and took his Ph.D., from the King's College, London 1927-1929 at his own expense.

Service

He joined Govt. service in the Education Department in 1917 and was promoted to the Madras Educational Service in 1934. It is now thirty years.

Literary Publications.

1. Beowulf and the Ramayana: published by John Bale and (Sons.)
2. Some German Critics on the Ramayana- Indian Review Feb. 1933
3. How to Teach English? Saidapet Teachers College Magazine, March 1946- advocating the teaching of English from Form I.
4. Tragedy in the novels of George Eliot- Govt. College Miscellany, March 1947, Mangalore.

Salary.

In spite of his 30 years of service his pay is only Rs. 420/- The 17 officers in the Civil List above him are drawing Rs. 800 and above. Eight of them are younger than him while the remaining 12 possess foreign degrees. Only 2 of them are Indian Christians. Both of them belong to the native states - one to Travancore and the other to Cochin. A British Degree, which was at one time the criterion for others, helped others but not him, though he got the degree at his own expense in the hope of future advantage.

His Request

In view of the circumstances which delayed his promotion and the fact that he has only 18 months of service to his credit before retirement, backed by a long period of loyal and praiseworthy service, he requests the benign Government to consider the circumstances in which he is placed and appoint him as

A DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

1. Mr. Lobo, who is an Indian Christian, retired as Deputy Director on 12-3-47. In his place a Muslim has been posted though in the Legislative Assembly it was stated that there was no rule that there should be a Muslim Deputy Director.

2. At present the Director is a Brahmin; the Deputy (personal) is a non-Brahmin; the Deputy in charge of Elementary Education is a Muslim. The Deputy in charge of finance is retiring on 19-4-47, in five weeks' time. Thanks to the goodwill of the Government there has

always been an Indian Christian as Deputy. He, therefore, requests that in the vacancy coming on 19-4-47 he may be appointed. By so doing the benign Government will not only keep up the unwritten convention but will also be rewarding one who has done much but has got little.

Member of a Minority community.

3. As the Government, being a popular Government, has always reiterated its position as the protector of minority interests, he requests that he being a member of the second largest minority after the Muslims with the required qualifications he may be appointed in the vacancy referred to above, as a Deputy Director.

4. He begs to submit that the communal G.O. which has operated favourably for other communities has operated very unfavourably against him. Non-Brahmins and Muslims not only with but also without British Degrees have been

promoted over him. Further, even the Indian Christians, who were directly recruited over him, did not belong to this province but were natives of the states of Travancore and Cochin. But yet, all these officers are drawing salaries above Rs. 800/ or are in the grade Rs. 600-50-1000, where as he being an Indian Christian and a native of this province has not at all been benefited by the Communal G.O.

5. If rules, as they stand, do not permit either a Principal of a second grade college or one who has not been a D.E.O. from becoming a Deputy Director, he begs to submit that

- (a) he was a deputy inspector of schools from April 1917-June 1918
- (b) he was a professor at the Presidency College where he taught the Honours Classes.
- (c) he has taught all classes from the 5th class to the 6th form in the Training Colleges at Rajahmundry and Saidapet. He has also taught the B.Ed., and the B.T., students, undergoing training for appointment as teachers in Secondary schools. He has also taught even Secondary training classes.
- (d) he has a longstanding reputation as a Professor, Lecturer, and Scholar.
- (e) he has also gained administrative experience as the Principal of a second grade college.

Is not all this experience as good as that of a D.E.O., especially in view of the fact that there are D.E.O.'s who have never taught any class but have been raised to their present position from clerkships in the Director's office?

6. Further, when the late Mr. M.A. Candeth was posted as a Deputy, he was only a Professor at the Presidency College. Mr. Candeth not being a D.E.O. did not disqualify him.

Recently three B.A.L.T. D.E.O.'s were promoted as Divisional Inspectors on Rs. 600-50-1000. Two of them joined service later than him and were promoted to the provincial service after him. If rules could not prevent D.E.O.'s who were once clerks or deputy inspectors, why should rules, in this particular case, prevent him from being a Deputy? If necessary cannot rules be changed?

7. At present there is not a single Indian Christian in the grade Rs. 600-50-1000 either as a Deputy Director or as a Divisional Inspector. There is not a single Indian Christian as the Principal of a First Grade College.

AS a member of a minority community with adequate service, teaching, scholarly and administrative qualifications he requests the Government to appoint him as a Deputy Director in the coming vacancy or else post him at least as the Principal of a First Grade College

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Edn. and P.H. Dept. (A)

D.O.No. 25680 - A-1, 4-9.5-7

Dear Dr. Savor,

Recently, Dr. D.S. Ramachandra Rao, M.L.A., wrote a letter to the Hon. Minister requesting consideration of the appt. of Dr. I.S. Peter, Lecturer, to one of the posts of Dy.D.P.I.'s. Obviously, Dr. Peter ^{has} sought the intervention of the Member of the Legislature refd. to, for the furtherance of his interests and the letter was written at his instance. He ^{has} therefore, clearly contravened rule 26 of the G.S.C. Rules, ^{and} He has thus rendered himself liable to disciplinary action on that account. The Govt. do not, however, propose to pursue the matter; ^{and let} ~~let~~ Dr. Peter ^{write let off} this time with a warning. I am to request you to inform the officer accordingly.

I am also to ask you to issue a general circular drawing the attention of all ^{of the} concerned to the G.S.C. Rule 26 and impressing on them ^{also} that the action

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The representations below are on behalf of Sri K.P.

Govinda Menon, Principal, and Dr. I.S. Peter, Lecturer, in the M.E.S., in the matter of their promotion to higher posts in the Dept. The request on behalf of the former is that he may be apptd. as Principal of the Presy. College or as Dy.D.P.I. which posts have fallen vacant. The latter's request is that he may be apptd. as a Dy.Dir. and it is supported by Dr. D.S. Ramachandra Rao (a non-official). Ordinarily, the petitions need not be taken notice of at all and should be merely lodged, since the officers have not signed them and have not sent them through the proper channel.

It may, however, be pointed out that neither of the officers is eligible for appt. as Dy.Dir.; as they are in the Collegiate Section and promotion ~~from that section~~ to the post of Dy.Dir. (which is in the Admn. Section) can be ordered only for exceptional reasons, involving public interest and such reasons do not exist in their case.

As for Sri Menon's appt. as Principal of the Presy. College, the post is a selection post (i.e. appt. to it should be made on grounds of merit and ability) and ~~he is not eligible for filling it~~ the claims of all officers, including those of Sri Menon will be considered both by the Dir. and by the Govt.

For orders whether the representations may be lodged.

Govt. servants ~~xxx~~ in bringing ~~political pressure~~ on authorities to advance their ends can only be regarded as evidence of their unfitness to face fair and open competition.

Yrs. sincerely,

Rao Bahadur Dr. S.R.U.
Savoor, M.A., D.Sc.
I.E.S.,
D.P.I.

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may be ignored. But I wish to draw attention to another aspect of the matter.

Attention is invited to Rule 26 of the Govt. Service Rules.

Menon's case appears to have been presented to H.M. (Afr.) - but it is well known that it was done through

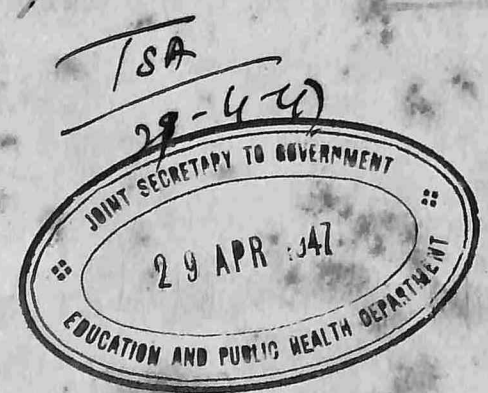
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kinda person; ...
 to take up against him under the
 Rule listed above.

As regards D.V. Peter,
 he has obviously bought the intervention
 of a member of the Executive (Heard
 see p. 4 of) & has thereby clearly
 contravened the Rule referred to. I
 suggest that he should be hit hard.
 he has rendered himself liable to
 disciplinary action on that account, but
 that he will be let off with a
 warning this time.

I entirely agree with the note of
 the Secy to P.H. above. To keep an allowed
 to carry in this sort of political pressure,
 there will be no end to this. This should
 be discouraged.



I am in complete agreement with the
 note of Mr. Edu. and I hope every
 opportunity will be taken to impress on
 all concerned, that pressure of this sort
 can only be regarded as evidence of the
 applicants' unfitness in fair open
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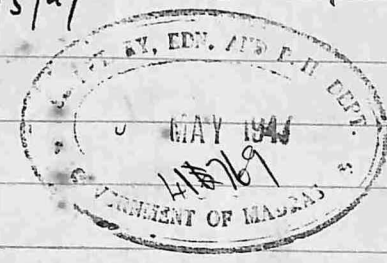
for taking action issuing a general circular w.r.t. H.E.'s
 orders on page 2 ante

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Necessary extracts may be taken and
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The papers may be "Recorded"

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S.C. Rules - Bringing outside
 political pressure (by on the
 officers for furtherance of authority
 interest - deprecated -
 issue of a general circular -
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Govt. Servants' Conduct Rule

26. Influencing superior authorities for furtherance of interests:-

No Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or other outside influence to bear upon any superior authority for the furtherance of his interests. The penalty for a contravention of this rule shall be withholding of promotion from him either permanently or for such period as the competent authority may determine.

Explanation: A Government servant causing his own case to be made the subject of an interpellation in the Central or Provincial Legislature contravenes this rule.

(True extract)

