## Part-time Employment in Post Offices, West Bengal

# ∫Shri Halder: {Shri Hem Barua: \*327.

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have planned to employ students on part-time basis in Post Offices at Calcutta and some other areas of West Bengal for handling the peak hour traffic and seasonal increases; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to employ those persons who have registered their names with the employment exchange?

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Dr. P. Subbarayan); (a) Yes. These orders are applicable to all P. & T. Circles.

(b) Yes, other than ex-employees and P. & T. pensioners who can be appointed direct.

#### **Railway Level Crossings, Bikaner**

\*328. Shri Karni Singhji; Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 423 on the 30th November, 1959 and state whether any final decision has since been taken with regard to the three alternative proposals received for the removal of the hardships caused to the public of Bikaner due to the level crossings remaining closed?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): Yes, Sir. The Chief Minister of Rajasthan has been informed that the only feasible solution to resolve the present impasse is the construction of an overbridge near Dungar College, in replacement of the two level crossings (1) on the KE.M. Road and (2) on the Station Road. The State Government, if they approve of this proposal, should provide necessary funds in the State Plan for their share of the cost of construction in

accordance with the extant rules, and intimate to that effect to the Northern Railway Administration, so that the Railway Administration so that the paration of the necessary plans, estimates, etc. for this work. If at a future date, there are traffic hold-ups at any of the remaining level crossings in Bikaner City, these can also be replaced by over under-bridges when the State Government may feel such necessity and agree to pay their share of the cost.

# Collision between a Glider and Pakistani Dakota

(Shri Balkrishna Wasnik: Shri S. M. Banerjee:

- \*329. Shri Raghunath Singh: Shrimati Mafida Ahmed: Shri N. R. Muniswamy: Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:

Will the Minister of Transport and Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently a Pakistan Dakota hit a Glider at Sonegaon airport killing one trainee and sericusly injuring the instructor in the Glider;

(b) if so, how the accident took place; and

(c) the action taken by Government in the matter?

The Deputy Minister of Civil Aviation (Shri Mohiuddin): (a) to (c). A Dakota aircraft of the Pakistan International Airlines Corporation, while coming in for landing at Nagpur airport on the 29th January, 1960, collided with an N.C.C. Glider in the air resulting in the disintegration of the Glider and serious injuries to the Glider trainee and the instructor, the two occupants of the Glider. The trainee succumbed to his injuries. The accident is under investigation.

## **Rise in Prices of Oils**

\*330. Shri Assar: Will the Minister of Food and Agriculture be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the prices of groundnuts, ground-