

that small papers do take radio news and publish it.

Dr. Rama Rao: May I know why the Information and Broadcasting Ministry prevent newspapers from copying these news and extending their broadcast?

Dr. Keskar: The reason is that the All India Radio News Service takes news from News Agencies and, under our contract with the News Agencies, we can take news only for broadcasting purposes of our own. If we allow other newspapers to copy those things, to that extent, we are depriving the News Agencies of their sources of revenue and this should not be done.

BEE-KEEPING

*148. **Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:** Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

(a) the names of States where improved methods of Bee-keeping have been introduced;

(b) whether this has resulted in increased production of honey;

(c) if so, by what quantity; and

(d) what was the total production of honey in India during 1953-54?

The Minister of Commerce and Industry (Shri T. T. Krishnamachari):

(a) to (d). A statement is laid on the Table of the House. [See Appendix I, annexure No. 38.]

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: It is mentioned in the statement that the All India Khadi and Village Industries Board is running a bee-keeping centre. May I know the amount of money which the Government of India gives to the All India Khadi and Village Industries Board for this purpose?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: The amount of money placed at their disposal for this purpose during the year 1953-54 was in the region of

Rs. 2,20,000. Out of that, they have spent Rs. 1,36,000 last year. This year, the amount at their disposal has been augmented to the extent of a little over Rs. 3 lakhs.

Dr. Ram Subhag Singh: Is it with the expenditure of that Rs. 2 lakhs and odd that this extra production of 5,686 lbs. of honey has been effected?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: That is a presumption which may not be correct.

Shri Thimmaiah: May I know whether any amount of honey is being exported outside?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: I would require notice.

Pandit D. N. Tiwary: May I know how the total production of honey is estimated and whether honey produced in the villages—extracted by the villagers—is also computed in this?

Shri T. T. Krishnamachari: No computation of the total production of honey is attempted.

CHILDREN'S FILMS

*149. **Dr. Rama Rao:** Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to set up a society for the production of children's films; and

(b) if so, what help Government will render to the society?

The Minister of Information and Broadcasting (Dr. Keskar): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed that Government should meet the entire cost of a feature film which will be produced in the first year. 75 per cent. of the cost of the feature film and two short films which will be produced during the second year will be met by Government; if the income from the distribution of the first film exceeds 25 per cent., however, Government's