

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati): (a) No such recommendation has so far been received by this Department.

(b) Does not arise.

कानपुर में माल का बुकिंग

*४७. श्री रामसेवक यादव : क्या रेलवे मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि रेलवे द्वारा माल का बुकिंग रोक देने के फलस्वरूप कानपुर तेल उद्योग में कई हजार मन स्टाक जमा हो गया है ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश तेल मिल संघ ने पूर्वोत्तर रेलवे के जनरल मैनेजर तथा अन्य अधिकारियों को उक्त संकट के सम्बन्ध में अभ्यावेदन भेजा है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो माल की निकास के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की गई है ?

रेलवे मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री शाहनवाज खां) : (क) इस मंत्रालय को न तो इस बात की जानकारी है कि कानपुर तेल उद्योग में बहुत अधिक स्टाक जमा हो गया है और न रेलवे ने कानपुर से माल भेजने पर आम पाबन्दी लगायी है ।

(ख) इस सिलसिले में रेलवे से सिर्फ एक बार कहा गया है कि पूर्वोत्तर सीमा रेलवे में सिलीगुड़ी स्टेशन से पूर्व के स्टेशनों को माल भेजने के लिये इस समय जितना कोटा नियत है वह काफी नहीं है ।

(ग) सिलीगुड़ी स्टेशन के पूर्व स्टेशनों के लिये कोटा अभी हाल में काफी बढ़ा दिया गया है और कानपुर से इन स्टेशनों के लिये अब जितना तेल बुक होता है उसके भेजने की पूरी व्यवस्था है ।

Liquor Permits for Tourists

*48. { Shri Heda:
Shri Maheswar Naik:

Will the Minister of Transport be pleased to state:

(a) the measures taken to issue liquor permits for tourists;

(b) the steps taken to eliminate the lengthy procedure in India; and

(c) whether any survey has been made of its effect on the tourist trade?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) and (b). Tourists will shortly be able to obtain liquor permits with All-India validity from Indian Missions overseas along with their Visa or Tourist Introduction Cards. Those tourists who, for any reason, arrive in India without the permit, will be able to obtain them from the Govt. of India Tourist Offices at Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta and Madras.

(c) No survey as such has been conducted. However, from the observations made by visiting foreign travel agents and other important persons connected with the travel trade, it has been gathered that with the elimination of time-consuming formalities, the effects in general will be conducive to promotion of tourist traffic.

Birth Anniversary Stamps

*49. { Shri Swell:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:

Will the Minister of Posts and Telegraphs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a serious flaw was discovered in the birth anniversary stamps of Dr. Annie Besant;

(b) if so, the nature of the flaw; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

The Deputy Minister in the Department of Posts and Telegraphs (Shri Bhagavati): (a) and (b). The year of birth was wrongly printed in the Annie Besant stamp issued on the 1st October, 1963 as 1837 instead of 1847.

(c) The error took place due to the wrong year having been noted on records.

Avro-748 for I.A.C.

- *50. { **Shri Ramachandra Ulaka:**
Shri N. R. Laskar:
Shri Dhuleshwar Meena:
Shrimati Savitri Nigam:

Will the Minister of **Transport** be pleased to refer to the reply given to Starred Question No. 17 on the 13th August, 1963 and state the decision that has since been arrived at regarding the number of Avro-748 aircraft to be purchased by the Indian Airlines Corporation from the aircraft manufacturing depot at Kanpur?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Mohiuddin): No decision has yet been taken.

Shipping Service on India-U.K. Continent Route

- *52. { **Shri Morarka:**
Shri Ravindra Varma:
Shri Raghunath Singh:
Shri Vasudevan Nair:
Shri Sidheshwar Prasad:

Will the Minister of **Transport** be pleased to state:

(a) whether Apeejay Lines is intending to run a parallel service on the India/U.K. Continent route in competition with the Karmahom Conference to counter the effects of 12½ per cent freight increase on West-bound cargoes;

(b) if so, the number of vessels that will be placed on this route; and

(c) the part that Government will play to help these Lines to counter

the freight increase of Karmahom Conference?

The Minister of Shipping in the Ministry of Transport (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) The circumstances in which Apeejay Lines made this offer related directly to the India-U.K. Conference increasing the freight rates by 12½ per cent. The Conference has since reduced the increase to 10 per cent as against 7½ per cent recommended by the Maritime Freight Commission. The question of providing protection to sensitive commodities in export trade has also to be settled satisfactorily. The offer of the Apeejay Lines and certain other shipping companies is under consideration.

(b) 6 ships (i.e. 1 ship a month for the next 6 months) have been offered for the service by 4 shipping companies to begin with.

(c) Government will give every possible assistance to Indian tramp shipping consistent with their previous commitments and the requirement of our national trade.

Escape of Mr. Walcott

- { **Shri Hari Vishnu Kamath:**
Shri Kachhavaiya:
Shri Buta Singh:
Shri Bade:
Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:
Shri Y. D. Singh:
Shri Yashpal Singh:
Shri P. C. Borooah:
Shri Bishanchander Seth:
Shri B. P. Yadava:
Shri Dhaon:
Shri Chattar Singh:
Shri Hem Barua:
Shri Vishram Prasad:
Shri Indrajit Gupta:
Shri Bhagwat Jha Azad:
Shri D. N. Tiwary:
Shri S. M. Banerjee:
Shri Sudrendra Pal Singh:
Shri Prakash Vir Shastri:
Shrimati Renuka Barkataki:
Shri Rameshwar Tantia:
Shri C. K. Bhattacharyya:
Shri Maheswar Naik:
Shri Bibhuti Mishra: