

The Minister of Community Development (Shri S. K. Dey): (a) and (b). The Report of the last Session of the Social Commission of the United Nations is under examination of Govt. As the recommendations relate to the activities of various Ministries in the Centre, they will have to be examined accordingly.

#### Ships from Yugoslavia

\*323. { Dr. Ram Subhag Singh:  
Shri Damani:  
Shri D. C. Sharma:  
Shri M. R. Krishna:  
Shri Bibhuti Mishra:  
Shri Shivananappa:  
Shri Panigrahi:  
Shri Raghunath Singh:

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

(a) whether Government have completed negotiations with Yugoslavia for purchasing ships from there;

(b) if so, the types of ships which will be purchased; and

(c) their likely total tonnage and price?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Transport and Communications (Shri Raj Bahadur): (a) to (c). The question of purchase of ships from Yugoslavia is still under negotiation. It is not possible at this stage to indicate the types and other details of ships that may be purchased from Yugoslavia.

#### Damage to Telephone Exchange Connaught Circus, New Delhi

\*324. { Shrimati Renu Chakravartty:  
Shrimati Ila Palchoudhuri:  
Shri Kunhan:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that equipment installed in the telephone exchange, Connaught Circus, New Delhi was damaged due to heavy rains;

(b) if so, details of the damage done; and

(c) the financial loss due to these damages.

The Minister of Transport and Communications (Shri S. K. Patil): (a) Yes.

(b) 43 cables involving 8600 pairs were damaged by water entering the joints in the cable chamber in the exchange. Damage to exchange equipment was only superficial.

(c) It is not possible to compute at present the loss to Government due to the damages to the cables. It is not, however, likely to be much.

#### डाक-तार स्वयंसेवकों को रोजगार

\*३२५. श्री भक्त वर्शन : क्या परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री २६ अप्रैल, १९५८ के तारांकित प्रश्न संख्या १८५५ के उत्तर के सम्बन्ध में यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) जिन व्यक्तियों ने पिछली आशंकित हड़ताल के अवसर पर डाक-तार विभाग को अपनी सेवाये अर्पित की थी उन्हें रियायतें दे कर नियुक्त करने के सिलसिले में अब तक प्रत्येक सकल में कितनी प्रगति हुई है ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि उत्तर प्रदेश सकल में अनेक ऐसे व्यक्ति आवेदन-पत्र देने पर भी अभी तक नियुक्त नहीं किये गये हैं ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो उन्हें शीघ्र उन रियायतों के अनुसार नियुक्तियां दिलाने के लिये क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

परिवहन तथा संचार मंत्री (श्री स० का० पाटिल) : (क) इन रियायतों के अधीन निर्धारित सीमा के अन्तर्गत आने वाले बालप्टीयों को निर्धारित किया जा कर, उन्हें उनके द्वारा आवेदित विभिन्न परिमण्डलों को विविध यूनितों में बांटा जा