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- (c) if so, whether the Government contemplate to include these systems of treatment in the C.H.S. Scheme at any time;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) whether Government intend to open any indoor Homoeopathic Hospital in Delhi in the near future?

The Minister of Health (Shri Karmarkar): (a) There is already a Homoeopathic Advisory Committee to advise the Government of India on the development of Homoeopathic system of medicine. It is not considered necessary to have a separate Directorate for Homoeopathy at the Centre.

- (b) According to the information of the Government of India, the number of such persons taking advantage of other systems of medicine is insignificant.
- (c) and (d). No such proposal is under consideration of Government at present as there has been no popular demand for it.
  - (e) No.

## Refund of Fares

- **889.** Shri Ramji Verma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that a considerable delay is experienced by the travelling public in recovering the refund of the fares of the uncovered part of the journeys; and
- (b) if so what action Government propose to take to simplify the procedure of refund of the fares?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri Shahnawaz Khan): (a) While the average time for arranging a refund on fare of ticket is about four weeks, it is possible that in a few cases, it has taken a longer time owing to the difficulties in verification of the amount collected etc.

() The question of simplifying the procedure for refund of fares on partly used tickets is under examination.

## Typists Cadre on Northern Railway

- 890. Shri D. C. Charma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) the reason of separate cadre of typists on Northern Railway while there is no such cadre in other departments of Central Government;
- (b) how many typists opted for clerical cadre in Northern Railway, Headquarters Office, New Delhi vide Railwway Board's letter No.E (S) 57 TRB '57 dated 23rd January, 1958 and how many have been absorbed as clerks so far; and
- (c) the reasons for the remaining optees not being absorbed as clerks so far?

The Deputy Minister of Railways (Shri S. V. Ramaswamy): (a) A Separate Cadre of typists exists on all Railways and it is considered that this arrangement is satisfactory.

- (b) 43, out of whom 13 have been transferred to the clerical cadre.
- (c) Out of the remaining 30 typists, 2 did not fulfil the conditions prescribed for transfer, 2 had been promoted a, Stenographers, 1 resigned the post and 1 has refused transfer to the clerical cadre. The remaining 24 typists could not be absorbed in the clerical cadre on account of the ban imposed on recruitment of ministerial staff.

## Bomb Explosion in Brake Van

- 891. Shri D. C. Sharma: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it  $i_S$  a fact that a bomb exploded in a spare brake van attached to a passenger train proceeding towards Kalkalighat, two miles from Karimaganj on the 27th July, 1961;