(c) whether they were paid wages for the extra work?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) to (c). Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Over-bridge at Level Crossings in Anakapalle Town (S. Railway)

3534. Shri M. S. Murti: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal to construct a subway or an overbridge at the level-crossings in Anakapalle Town and near Narasapatnam Railway Station on the Southern Railway; and
- (b) if so, when the construction is likely to be taken up?

The Deputy Minister in the Ministry of Railways (Shri Sham Nath):
(a) (i) for the level-crossing at Anakapalle Station, some representations were received from the public as well as from the local Municipality, for constructing a road over/under-bridge and they were requested to approach the State Government, who have to sponsor such schemes and also bear their cost of the work. So far, no such proposal has been received from the State Government.

(ii) For the level crossing at Narasapatnam Road Station—the State Government has already been apprised of the feasibility of providing a road over-bridge at Waltair end, but no final decision has so far been communicated by the State Government indicating the priority for the work and the year in which they would be able to provide funds towards their share of the cost as per extant rules.

(b) Does not arise.

Shortage of Wagons at Stations on the Kangra Valley Section of the Northern Railway

3535. Shri Hem Raj: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a great shortage of wagons in the Kangra Valley section and the foodgrains of the Co-operative Societies to the Rail Head agencies in the Kangra district are not being booked; and
- (b) if so, the steps Government propose to take in the matter?

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways (Dr. Ram Subhag Singh): (a) and (b). Due to various limitations inherent on a Narrow Gauge Hill section, booking of goods traffic has always had to be regulated to stations on the Pathankot-Baijnath Paprola-Jogindernagar Narrow Gauge section according to a quota system. with the transfer of more locomotives to this section in 1965 the goods quota was increased from 13 to 17 B.G. wagons daily in June, 1965. This quota has, however, had to be reduced to 14 B.G. wagons daily from the middle of August this year as the experience of the working of the higher quota had revealed that under the present pattern of traffic on the secmore Narrow Gauge some wagons would be required. Orders have been issued for the transfer of additional wagons for this purpose.

Within the present limitations, however, a special quota is allotted for movement of foodgrains and there are no outstanding demands of this traffic at present.

Broad-gauge line from Rampur to Kathgodam

3536 Shri Buta Singh: Will the Minister of Railways be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rail traffic to Kathgodam, the rail terminus to Nainital,