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[Mr. Speaker]

prepared to give him further information, but he must ask the Notice Office before raising it here.

Shri Vajpayee: On a point of personal clarification. I did go to the Notice Office. But I was informed that the question of privilege was with the Speaker. You are to decide about the question of privilege. They had no information. That is why I raised the question here.

Mr. Speaker: He might have told me earlier.

12:14 hrs.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

REPORT OF INDIAN DELEGATION ON GATT SESSION

The Minister of Commerce (Shri Kanungo): I beg to lay on the Table a copy of the Report of the Indian Delegation to the 16th Session of the Contracting Parties to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade held in Geneva in May-June, 1960. [Placed in Library, See No. LT-2274 601.

NOTIFICATIONS ISSUED UNDER CENTRAL EXCISES AND SALT ACT

The Deputy Minister of Finance (Shri B. R. Bhagat): On behalf of Dr. B. Gopala Reddi, I beg to lay on the Table a copy of each of the following Notifications under Section 38 of the Central Excises and Salt Act, 1944, making certain further amendments to the Central Excise Rules, 1944:-

- (i) G.S.R. 693 dated the 14th June, 1960.
- (ii) G.S.R. 857 dated the 30th July, 1960.
- (iii) G.S.R. 898 dated the 6th August 1960, [Placed in Library. See No. LT-2275[60].

12-15 hrs.

MESSAGES FROM RAJYA SABHA

Secretary: Sir, I have to report the following messages received from the Secretary of Rajya Sabha:-

- (i) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to enclose a copy of the Evacuee Interest (Separation) Amendment Bill, 1960, which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 9th August, 1960."
- (ii) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to enclose a copy of the Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Amendment Bill, 1960, which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 9th August, 1960."
- (lii) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to enclose a copy of the Drugs (Amendment) Bill. 1960, which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 10th August, 1960."
- (Iv) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 97 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Rajya Sabha, I am directed to enclose a copy of the Press and Registration of Books (Amendment) Bill, 1960, which has been passed by the Rajya Sabha at its sitting held on the 9th August, 1969."

(v) "In accordance with the provision of sub-rule (6) of rule 162 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Raiva Sabha, I am directed to return herewith Rubber (Amendment) Bill. 1960, which was passed the Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 5th August, 1960, and transmitted to the Rajya Sabha for its recommendations and to state that this House has no recommenda-tions to make to the Lok Sabha in regard to the said 19111."

12:10 hrs.

BILLS PASSED BY RAJYA SABHA LAID ON THE TABLE

Secretary: Sir, I lay on the Table of the House the following Bills, as passed by Rajya Sabha:

- (i) The Evacuee Interest (Separation) Amendment Bill, 1960.
- (ii) The Agricultural Produce (Grading and Marking) Amendment Bill, 1960.
- (iii) The Drugs (Amendment) Bill, 1960.
- (iw) The Press and Registration of Books (Amendment) Bill, 1960.

12:161 hrs.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

TWENTY-NINTH REPORT

Shri Radha Raman (Chandni Chowk): I beg to present the Twenty-ninth Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Appropriation Accounts (Defence Services), 1956-57 and 1957-58 and Audit Reports (Defence Services), 1958-59.

12.161 hrs.

CALLING ATTENTION TO MATTER
OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Accident in Hindustan Coal Mine, Talcher

Shri Surendranath Dwivedy (Kendrapara): Under Rule 197, I beg to call the attention of the Minister of Labour and Employment to the following matter of urgent public importance and I request that he may make a statement thereon:—

'The accident in the Hindustan Coal Mine, Talcher, resulting in the death of one labourer and injuries to many others."

The Deputy Minister of Labour (Shri Abid Ali): An officer of the inspectorate of mines has proceeded to the mine to make enquiries and his report is awaited.

Shri Surendranath Dwivedy: Notice was given on the 3rd. It is now more than ten days. I do not know why there is so much delay in getting the information.

Mr. Speaker: Was not the Minister able to get the information?

Shri Abid Ali: As soon as the report is received, it will be placed here.

Shri Surendranath Dwivedy: Sir, I want to know why there is this delay. It was a Calling Attention Notice. For ordinary questions, ten days' notice is required, but even for this notice, there was a notice of ten days. I want to know the reason for the delay in getting information.

Shri Panigrahi (Puri): I would like to know whether this coal mine belongs to the National Coal Development Corporation or to any other body.

Shri Abid Ali: I do not think it belongs to the NCDC.