FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

STATE OF SINGAPORE

SECOND SESSION

ORDER PAPER

WEDNESDAY, 16TH NOVEMBER, 1960

No. 11

2.30 p.m.

QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWER

- *1. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for Finance (i) what benefits does Singapore derive from the United Nations International Children's Fund programme; (ii) what part does Government play in carrying out the UNICEF programme in Singapore; and (iii) how does Singapore match UNICEF's contribution.
- *2. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for Finance how much assistance does Singapore get from the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organisation, World Health Organisation and Technical Assistance Administration.
- *3. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for Labour and Law when will the Women's Charter be reintroduced in this Assembly and the reason for the delay in reintroducing it.
- *4. Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Culture whether any guidance is exercised, either directly or indirectly, by the Government in regard to articles published in the newspapers with particular reference to reports of Assembly Debates, and if he will make a statement on the matter.
- ***5.** Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs how many accidents have taken place at the junction of Haig Road and Dunman Road from January to October, 1960, inclusive.
- *6. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs (i) when was the "Halt" sign at the corner of Still Road and Joo Chiat Place put up; and (ii) how many accidents occurred at this corner during the 10 months before and the 10 months after the sign was put up.
- *7. Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs what policy is adopted by the Government in the matter of granting a permit for the printing and publishing of a newspaper, and what are the conditions endorsed by him on such permits.
- ***8.** Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs what policy is adopted by the Government in the matter of granting permits for the sale and distribution of newspapers published outside Singapore.
- *9. Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs whether the first application for a permit for the sale and distribution in Singapore of the *Malayan Express*, published in Kuala Lumpur, was refused, what were the grounds for the refusal, and whether the second application was allowed and on what grounds.



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- *10. Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs how many applications for permits to print and publish newspapers were received since 1st January, 1960, how many were granted, how many were refused, and what are the reasons for refusal in each case.
- *11. Mr. C. H. Koh: To ask the Minister for Home Affairs what was the nature of the undertaking given by the Chinese reporter of the Tiger Press of Kuala Lumpur for his release from detention under the Preservation of Public Security Ordinance, 1955.
- *12. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for National Development (i) how many units of Housing Board flats at the Tiong Bahru Fire Site have been completed and what was the date of completion; and (ii) how many units were vacant as at 31st October, 1960, at (a) these flats, (b) the Queenstown flats, and (c) the St. Michael's Road flats.
- *13. Mrs. Seow Peck Leng: To ask the Minister for National Development whether he is aware that on Sundays and public holidays some Housing Board Estates are not swept and the rubbish there is not collected, and what steps does he propose to take in the matter.

AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Introduction of Government Bills

- 1. Minister for Labour and Law: Judicial Proceedings (Regulation of Reports) Bill.
- 2. Minister for Finance: Supplementary Appropriation Bill.
- 3. Minister for Culture: Raffles National Library (Change of Name) Bill.
- 4. Minister for Culture: Raffles Museum (Change of Name) Bill.
- 5. Minister for Home Affairs: Singapore Citizenship (Amendment No. 2) Bill.
- 6. Minister for Health: Mental Disorders and Treatment (Amendment) Bill.
- 7. Minister for Culture: Printers and Publishers (Amendment) Bill.
- 8. Prime Minister: Local Government (Financial Integration) Bill.
- 9. Minister for Home Affairs: Criminal Law (Temporary Provisions) (Amendment No. 2) Bill.

[The Member in charge proposes, on a Certificate of Urgency under S.O. 81, to proceed with this Bill throughout all its stages until the Bill has been read the third time.]

Motion for leave to bring in Bill by private Members

Mr. John Mammen (Member for Telok Blangah): Mr. S. Ramaswamy (Member for Bukit Merah):

QUEEN STREET AND SILAT ROAD SIKH GURDAWARAS BILL: That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amalgamate the Queen Street and the Silat Road Sikh Gurdawaras and to place them under an Incorporated Board of Trustees.

ORDERS OF THE DAY AND NOTICE OF MOTION

(Those marked • are Orders of the Day.)

- 1. Undesirable Publications (Amendment) Bill—Second Reading.⁺
- 2. Minor Offences (Amendment) Bill-Second Reading.[†]
- 3. Road Vehicles (Special Powers) (Amendment) Bill-Second Reading.⁺
- 4. Transfer of Powers Bill—Second Reading.⁺
- 5. Tan Tock Seng's Hospital (Transfer) Bill—Second Reading. (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation to be signified).

[To be referred to a Select Committee after being read a second time (S.O. 65 (1))].

- 6. National Theatre Trust Bill-Second Reading.[†]
- 7. Pensions (Validation of Payments) Bill—Second Reading.[†] (Yang di-Pertuan Negara's recommendation, to be signified).
 [For Amendment to the Bill, see Supplement No. 2.]

[†] The Committee Stage and Third Reading will be moved immediately after the Second Reading.

8. Minister for Finance:

CONTROL OF IMPORTS AND EXPORTS ORDINANCE: That this Assembly, in accordance with subsection (2) of section 1 of the Control of Imports and Exports Ordinance (Chapter 214), resolves that the aforesaid Ordinance shall continue in force for a further period of one year commencing on the 8th day of December, 1960.

MEMORANDUM

Matter proposed to be raised on the Motion for the Adjournment (Standing Order 1 (8) (b)):—

Tun Lim Yew Hock (Member for Cairnhill) ... A National Union for Workers in

the Petroleum Industry.

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PAPERS PRESENTED

19 6 0		Date presented
Cmd. 24	Report of the Commission of Enquiry and Statement of Government's Future Po- licy for the Malayan Pineapple Industry	25th October, 1960.
Cmd. 14	Annual Report of the Postal Services Department, Singapore, for the year 1958	11th November, 1960.
S.L. 30	Telegraphs (Amendment) Rules, 1960	17th October, 1960.
S.L. 29	Raffles National Library Board Rules, 1960	18th October, 1960.

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