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ORDER PAPER

FRIDAY, 25TH JULY, 1952

AT 2 P.M.

PRAYERS

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Friday, 18th July, 1952

ANNOUNCEMENTS -

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS -

GOVERNMENT NOTICES - As in the Schedule

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NOTICE OF QUESTIONS -

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ORDER OF THE DAY

1. Mr. Luckhoo to move the following motion:-

WHEREAS the policy of racial segregation as enforced by the Government of South Africa abuses the rights of human beings;

AND WHEREAS it is meet that this Colony shows its abhorrence and disapprobation of such policy;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council condemns the policy of racial segregation enforced by the South African Government and places on record its abhorrence of the attitude adopted to the various races in the pursuit of this policy which is likely to affect adversely the amicable relations existing amongst the peoples of this Colony and of other mixed communities;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council respectfully prays His Excellency the Governor to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Secretary of State for the Colonies and to the United Nations urging that steps be taken by the United Nations to persuade the South African Government to desist from such a disastrous course and to adopt a policy towards all races in South Africa in keeping with the Declaration of Human Rights.

2. Dr. Jagan to move the following motion:-

WHEREAS there are examples of questions being asked by Legislators in the Legislative Council, answers to which are unduly delayed or never supplied;

AND WHEREAS there are many motions tabled in the Legislative Council which are never placed on the Order Paper for discussion by the Legislative Council;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable Council recommends that all questions asked in the Legislative Council be replied to within four weeks and that all Members' motions be considered within six months of the time tabled.

3. Dr. Jagan to move the following motion:-

WHEREAS there has appeared in the press an announcement that fares freights will be increased by the Transport and Harbours Department from July, 1952;

AND WHEREAS these proposed increased fares and freight charges have been instituted with a view to reducing the annual deficit of the Transport and Harbours Department;

AND WHEREAS it is doubtful whether these increases will result finally in a reduction of the annual deficit of the Transport and Harbours Department;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council recommends to Government that proposed increased fares and freight charges for railway and steamer services be non-effective until such time as the Legislative Council has fully discussed the recent "Report of the Committee appointed to consider Ways and Means of Effecting Economies".

4. The Financial Secretary and Treasurer to move the following motion:-

That, this Council approves of the payment of gratuities to teachers who die whilst in the service, on the basis and conditions set out in the Governor's Message No. 7 of the 10th of July, 1952, and undertakes to provide the necessary funds for this purpose; and further approves that this Resolution shall have effect as from 1st January, 1951, in the case of the Certificated Teacher.

(L.P. 35/14/14 IV).

5. The Attorney General to move the second reading of the following Bill:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE JUVENILE OFFENDERS ORDINANCE.

(M.P. 228/1/5).

6. The Attorney General to move the second reading of the following Bill:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL ORDINANCE WITH RESPECT TO THE PERIOD OF DETENTION OF BOYS SENT TO THE GOVERNMENT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

(M.P. 89).

7. The Attorney General to move the second reading of the following Bill:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE SPECIAL PROVISION IN REGARD TO THE PENSIONABLE SERVICE OF CYRIL RUTHERFORD BROWNE.

(M.P. P.F. 1286/3).

8. The Attorney General to move the second reading of the following Bill:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE BLASTING OPERATIONS ORDINANCE, 1930, IN RESPECT OF THE REGULATION OF PERSONS ENGAGED IN BLASTING OPERATIONS.

(M.P. 58/3/2).

- # 9. Council to consider the following Bill in Committee:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE CUSTOMS DUTIES ORDINANCE, 1935.

(M.P. 27/17/31).

- #10. Council to resume consideration of the following motion:-

WHEREAS farmers throughout the Colony have been suffering severe set-backs from time to time from droughts, floods, and to a smaller degree from pests and other causes;

AND WHEREAS with the high cost of living and the very small scope for employment of the increasing population, the population in the main will have to depend more and more upon the land for a living;

AND WHEREAS recent floodings have shown how seriously the population can be affected;

BE IT RESOLVED that this Honourable Council recommend to Government the establishment of a Government controlled insurance for farmers in the Colony against loss of cattle and crops from floods, droughts and other causes and that a Committee be appointed to go into the matter and report thereon.

(M.P. 2/61/2).

- # 12. Council to resume the debate on the second reading of the following Bill after the Report of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill has been submitted:-

A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE SUMMARY JURISDICTION (OFFENCES) ORDINANCE. (I.P. 85/5).

NOT TO BE PROCEEDED WITH AT THIS MEETING.

SCHEDULE

The Attorney General to give notice of the introduction and first reading of the following Bills:-

- (a) A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE GAMBLING PREVENTION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 95, BY EXEMPTING CERTAIN LOTTERIES FROM THE OPERATION OF THE PROVISIONS THEREOF. (I.P. 67 III).
- (b) A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO EXEMPT THE BRITISH GUYANA FILM SOCIETY FROM THE PAYMENT OF ENTERTAINMENT DUTY IN RESPECT OF THE EXHIBITION OF CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS, AND TO MAKE SPECIAL PROVISION WITH RESPECT TO SUCH EXHIBITIONS. (I.P. 166/16).
- (c) A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES ORDINANCE. (M.P. 389/2).
- (d) A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS PENSION ORDINANCE. (M.P. 134/4 II).
- (e) A BILL intituled AN ORDINANCE FURTHER TO AMEND THE SPIRITS ORDINANCE. (M.P. C. 27/22/2).