

रेल मंत्रालय में उपमन्त्री (श्री शाम नाथ)  
 एक बयान सभा पटल पर रख दिया गया  
 है। [देखिये परिशिष्ट ४६, अनुपत्र संख्या  
 ८।]

+ [THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE  
 MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SHAM  
 NATH): A statement is laid on the Table of  
 the Sabha. See Appendix XLIX, Annexure  
 No. 8].

#### PROMOTION OF COMMERCIAL CLERKS

•112. SHRIMATI DEVAKI GOPIDAS: Will  
 the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased, to state:

(a) whether some of the junior-  
 most commercial clerks in the grade  
 of Rs. 110—200 in Madurai Division  
 of the Southern Railway have been  
 promoted as Assistant Station Masters  
 in grade of Rs. 130—280 superseding  
 their seniors and without any test;  
 and

(b) whether the seniors have  
 appealed against that, and if so what  
 action has been taken to redress their  
 grievances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
 MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM  
 SUBHAG SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

#### LOOT IN THIRD CLASS COMPARTMENT OF HOWRAH-DEHRADUN EXPRESS

♦113. SHRI FARIDUL HAQ ANSARI:  
 Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to  
 state:

(a) whether he has seen a report  
 published in the Times of India' dated the 3rd  
 August, 1964, about the looting of passengers  
 in a third class compartment of the Howrah-  
 Dehra Dun Express, near about Seohara  
 Station on 1st August, 1964; and

(b) whether the news was correct, and if  
 so, what are the details of the incident?

[ ] English translation.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
 MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM  
 SUBHAG SINGH): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. On 1st  
 August, 1964, train No. 62 Down Dehradun-  
 Howrah Janata Express was stopped suddenly  
 by someone pulling the alarm chain between  
 Seohara and Bhagwara Railway stations. 6-7  
 men armed with country-made pistols, knives  
 and hockey sticks, immediately boarded a  
 third class compartment and looted 3 persons.  
 One of the passengers who offered resistance  
 to the dacoits sustained knife injuries and  
 blows from hockey sticks. The injured person  
 was sent to Morada-bad hospital for medical  
 treatment. A case was registered under  
 Section 395/397 IPC. by the police and the  
 case is under investigation.

#### IMPORT OF STEEL PASSES FOR AUTOMOBILE INDUSTRY

\*114. SHRI P. ABRAHAM: Will the  
 Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have per-  
 mitted the import of steel presses  
 for fabricating certain essential equip-

For the automobile industry; and

(b) if so, how much foreign ex-  
 change has been released for this  
 purpose?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI  
 MANUBHAI SHAH): (a) and (b). All vehicle  
 manufacturers have been permitted to import  
 and instal plant and machinery to complete  
 the respective manufacturing programme. The  
 machinery includes presses for pressing  
 sheets metal parts; separate statistics  
 regarding foreign exchange attributable to  
 presses are not maintained.

#### USE OF RESTAURANT CARs BY THIRD CLASS PASSENGERS

•115. SHRI R. S. KHANDEKAR: Will the  
 Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the third class  
 passengers are not allowed to make use of the  
 facilities of the