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Pakistanis looted the property of the Indian nationals near Siryanwala, on the Indo-Pakistan border near Fazilka and went away to Pakistan;

(b) if so, how long that looting lasted; and

(c) whether there were any Indian police or military personnel near that place?]

प्रवान मंत्री तथा वैदेशिक-कार्य मंत्री (श्री जवाहरलाल नेहरू) : (क) जी हां। कुछ हथियारबन्द पाकिस्तानी राष्ट्रिकों ने ३-४ ग्रप्रैल, १९६२ की रात को फाजिलका के निकट हिरानवाली गांव में डाका डाला था।

(ख) लगभग दो घंटे।

(ग) उस गांव के सबसे निकट पुलिस थाने की दूरी करीब ग्राठ मील है ग्रौर सीमांत चौकियां करीव साढ़े पांच मील के फासले पर हैं।

†[THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI JAWAHARLAL NEHRU): (a) Yes Sir. A dacoity, by some armed Pakistani nationals, was committed in village Hiranwali, near Fazilka on the night of 3/4th April, 1962.

(b) About two hours.

(c) The nearest police station is about eight miles and the border pickets are about five and a half miles from the village.]

20. [Transferred to the 2nd May, 1962.]

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

STATEMENT Re. KARNAFULI DAM PROJECT

THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (HAFIZ MOHAMMAD IBRAHIM): Sir, I beg to lay on the

†[] English translation.

Table a statement on theKarnafuliDamProject in EastPakistan.[Placed in Library.See No. LT-9/62.]

THE ART SILK TEXTILES (PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION) CONTROL ORDER, 1962.

THE MINISTER OF INTERNATIO-NAL TRADE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI MANUBHAI SHAH): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry Notification S.O. No. 1059, dated the 2nd April, 1962, publishing the Art Silk Textiles (Production and Distribution) Control Order, 1962. [Placed in Library. See No. LT-5/62.]

THE BUDGET (RAILWAYS), 1962-63 —General discussion

SHRI P. RAMAMURTI (Madras): Chairman, Sir first of all, I Mr. would like to congratulate the hon. Sardar Swaran Singh for his having taken over the Railway Ministry. Unfortunately, he is not here. But straightway I may tell him that it is a difficult department to handle. It has got a number of accumulated problems, problems not only of a backlog in respect of transport capacity, a back-log in the renewals of engines, a back-log in the renewals of tracks, but also a back-log with regard to the relations between the employers and the employees. All these very great problems he has got to face. I certainly wish him well in handling these very great and difficult problems. But judging by the first performance that he has given now, I am not hopeful that these problems will be handled properly. The other day, Sir, our President when he was addressing the Joint Session told us that we had got to stir ourselves up and work for the socialistic pattern of society to which this Parliament is wedded. I suppose that the first dose of the socialistic pattern of society that we have to work for is in