

[Shri D. C. Sharma]

attention statements. That has not been the practice.

Mr. Speaker: Order, order.

Shri Jawaharlal Nehru: I am sorry, I have just given the dates. We have been continuously drawing attention to this matter. In August last, four months before the treaty was signed, we drew the attention, again, of the Burmese Government. Before the treaty was signed, we discussed it with them and after, of course, also.

12.50 hrs.

CORRECTION OF ANSWER TO SHORT NOTICE QUESTION NO. 11

The Deputy Minister of External Affairs (Shrimati Lakshmi Menon): While dealing with the Shore Notice Question No. 11 regarding the visit of journalists to Nagaland which was answered in the Lok Sabha on the 23rd December, 1960, the Prime Minister stated *inter alia* that on one occasion on the 19th December, 1960, the hostiles fired at Dr. Imkongliba Ao's house and he was slightly injured. This information was based on a report received from the local authorities. On further verification by them, it has been ascertained that Dr. Imkongliba Ao was not injured. His small daughter, however, received a seight bruise when a bullet grazed her hand.

2. The last sentence in the reply to part (e) of the Question should, therefore, be amended to read as follows:

"His daughter received a slight bruise from a bullet which grazed her hand".

12.52 hrs.

RAILWAY BUDGET—1961-62

The Minister of Railways (Shri Jagjivan Ram): Mr. Speaker, Sir, I

rise to place before the House the estimates of receipts and expenditure of the Indian Railways for the year 1961-62.

Accounts of 1959-60

2. I shall first deal with the accounts of last year (1959-60). The Gross Traffic Receipts amounted to Rs. 422.33 crores—a very close approximation to the Revised Estimate of Rs. 422.03 crores. The Ordinary Working Expenses were Rs. 289.52 crores, effecting a saving of Rs. 2.40 crores from the Revised Estimate of Rs. 291.92 crores. After taking into account contribution to the Depreciation Reserve Fund, net Miscellaneous Expenditure and payment of Dividend to General Revenues, the surplus for credit to the Development Fund came to Rs. 20.12 crores, as compared with the Revised Estimate figure of Rs. 14.75 crores. A more correct view to take of the surplus, however, would be that it was only about Rs. 12 crores, as payments to the extent of about Rs. 8.5 crores pertaining to 1959-60, in implementation of the Pay Commission's recommendations, are being made only in 1960-61.

Revised Estimates for 1960-61

3. The improved traffic trend under 'Passengers', which was noticed towards the close of 1958-59 and throughout 1959-60, has continued in the current year. The Revised Estimate for Passenger Earnings has now been placed at Rs. 130.97 crores, against Rs. 125.50 crores in the Budget. Increases of about Rs. 2 crores, crores are also anticipated under 'other Coaching Earnings', based on current trends, and of Rs. 1.33 crores under 'Sundries'—the latter due largely to expansion of departmental catering. As regards 'Goods', additional earnings of Rs. 41 crores over the earnings for 1959-60 had been budgetted. But the present assessment is that, for various reasons