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#### HIGHLIGHTS

-- A high-level US State Department Mission visited Myanmar for talks with Government officials [FOREIGN VISITORS]

-- SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, addressing the opening and closing of a Teacher Refresher Course, discussed his meeting with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, and called on teachers to counteract foreign accusations that Myanmar is using bacteriological warfare against dissidents [POLITICAL--Special Refresher Courses]

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#### POLITICAL

## Slogans

Recurrent Slogans: The bottom of each front page continues to

bear the slogan: Emergence of the State Constitution is the duty of all citizens of Myanmar Naing-Ngan [reverted back from "Union of Myanmar."

The top of each back page bears the slogan:

The Tatmadaw has been sacrificing much of its blood and sweat to prevent disintegration of the Union. All nationalities of the Union are urged to give all co-operation and assistance in this great task

Variable Slogans: Since August 1991, each issue has included a changing religious slogan at the top of each front page:

Nov. 1-16: Anavajjani kammani, to perform faultless actions; this is the way to auspiciousness.

Nov. 17-30: Arati papa, to abstain from evil; this is the way to auspiciousness.

## Political Articles

Following the pattern begun in October 1988, many issues contain lengthy feature articles, translated from Burmese, designed to bolster government views and policies. Editorials sometimes touch on similar themes. We note them briefly, with excerpts of typical or particularly significant portion:

Nov. 7: Editorial: Promote our own culture {full text}: ["The National Traditional Regatta Festival is coming up in a couple of weeks. This is the sixth, and is based on the objective of preservation of our cultural values and what is genuinely original. The people of this land have distinctive cultures, be they in the hills or in the plains, and we are all very proud of it. The need for the preservation of traditions and distinctive cultures is promoted by the fact that there are among us, specially the younger generation who have a penchant for what is new and fascinating. At the conclusion of the recent Second Myanma Traditional Performing Arts Competitions, Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council cautioned against our culture being influenced by alien culture, specially what is harmful to the national wellbeing and to preservation of our own. Of course, with development, with the changing conditions worldwide, with satellite television bringing right into the homes whatever is going on in other parts of the world, viewers are bound to be influenced due to too much exposure. Then, there is the case of pirated X-rated video features of the kind of soft-porn that you cannot escape if you pick up what the locals call 'English' tapes. There is also hard rock, or heavy metal or whatever you call it that raises youthful spirits, or other kinds of pop music which may be termed alien and influential if not decadent. Agreed, such infiltrations of alien culture of a variety of species as may be noticed by switching stations on the tee-vee connected to that 'status-symbol' dish are injurious to what is originally our own culture, preserved over the centuries. Agreed, there has to be due concern over such infiltration, what with the threat of such influences harming our own culture. Yet plucking all dishes off roofs should sound preposterous, and filtering other kinds of entertainment bordering on 'decadence' is well nigh impossible. So, we go to the business of promoting what is our own, as many of our immediate neighbours agree, in order that what is distinctively our own may not be totally eclipsed by what is something new or appear attractive, yet is harmful in the national context. Rather than condemn what is alien, much worse condone it, we must do our duty in making the younger generations realize what is good for them and what is not. And, have them come to the conclusion that what is our own is better than what is not."]

Nov. 16: Upholding national spirit, alive and dynamic, by Kyaw Zaw. [Quick review of Myanmar history and SLORC activities and purposes.]

Nov. 18: Editorial: National political leadership role. [After independence the politicians weakened the Tatmadaw that had regained independence "after a long and bloody struggle against the imperialist rulers.... As a safeguard against disintegration...a

basic principle has been laid down in drafting the constitution stipulating that the Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Services is the head of the armed forces and an objective of the National Convention is for Tatmadaw to participate in the national political leadership role in the future State. We should never forget that because of disunity and due largely to the weakness of the Tatmadaw, our independence was lost. Thus, a strong Tatmadaw is required to safeguard the independence, to uphold Our Three Main National Causes and take part in national political leadership role."]

Nov. 20: Lest we forget, by Tin Maung Than. [Nationalist struggles during colonial period recalled.]

Nov. 24: Proper perspective of National Day, by Win Naing. [University strike of 1920 recalled.]

Nov. 27: National Day "Lest We Forget", by Dr. Win May. [Student strike of 1920, against Rangoon University Act which would have established Rangoon University as an elite, limited access, boarding establishment.]

Nov. 30: Myanmar's success is built on mutual trust and plaindealing, by Min Kyaw Min. [Activities of SLORC reviewed and approved.]

Nov. 30: A visit to the Thai media world, by Kyaw Myint. [Account of meeting with the Mass Communication Organization of Thailand in September.]

## Returnees from Bangladesh

[Articles reporting the return of refugees from Bangladesh list the cumulative total since Sept. 22, 1992. Not all returns are reported in NLM.]

Nov. 4: 4,371 persons from 870 households returned to the various reception camps between Oct. 31 and Nov. 1; specifically, 1,579 on Oct. 31, 1,322 on Nov. 1, and 1,470 on Nov. 2. This brings the total since Sept. 22, 1992, to 93,141. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 11: 1,501 persons from 296 households returned to the reception camps on Nov. 9, bringing the total to 100,116. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 17: 909 persons from 179 households returned to the reception camps on Nov. 15, bringing the total to 105,016. (NLM 11/18)

Nov. 18: 2,614 persons from 205 households returned to the reception camps on Nov. 16-17, bringing the total to 107,630. (NLM 11/19)

Nov. 25: 3,484 persons from 682 households returned to the reception camps on Nov. 21-23, bringing the total to 111,114. (NLM 11/26)

Nov. 28: 1,126 persons from 202 households returned to the reception camps on Nov. 24, bringing the total to 112,240. (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 29: 326 persons from 62 households returned to the Taungbyo reception camp, bringing the total to 112,566 persons from 23,609 households. (NLM 11/30)

# Special Refresher Courses

Oct. 31: Special Refresher Course No. 12 for Basic Education Teachers opened at the Central Institute for Civil Service, and was addressed by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. "He pointed out that it will not do for teachers to only teach lessons and increase their knowledge, but also to study the hobbies and habits of their pupils and guide them on the right path which will make them outstanding in their respective fields. This, he said, will enable them to take part in State development tasks efficiently." Reviewing the course, he said that social affairs will include "how to give advice to the pupils and mould their characters, social dealings, sports and physical education, Red Cross and school health among others." Since pupils will have to preserve the State in future, "military science will be taught and they [the teachers] will also be given military training, he said." Economic policy will be a topic. He said the teachers "are to coordinate among themselves in the

welfare of the teachers and the extra-hour classes at schools so that the tasks implemented by the State will achieve success." Because Myanmar has more contact with other countries "it is necessary to preserve own culture and traditions and customs."

The Secretary-1 reviewed the history of negotiations with "armed groups in the jungles", in 1958, 1963, and 1980-81 (BCP and KIO). Now, under the SLORC, "responsible personnel themselves went to Kachin, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States, and invited [the armed groups]. He said a total of 13 armed groups has already returned to legal fold after realizing the goodwill of the Government.... He expects the remaining armed groups will return to the legal fold.... " He went on to discuss the National Convention and its aims. Turning to antinarcotics activities, he noted that 190 Tatmadawmen died and 350 were injured in just four weeks activities. "In spite of such sacrifices, he said, groups that are against Myanmar's welfare and well-being are fabricating news as if Myanmar were encouraging narcotic drug production and trade. Similarly, he said, public involvement in regional development projects is termed as forced labour belittling the projects of the State. People who are not accustomed to cultural traditions of Myanmar accused Myanmar of violating human rights.... Such wanton allegations without studying specific characteristics of the nations concerned are not the work of civilized persons, he said.... He made it clear that Myanmar is honouring basic human rights standards that conform to the traits and cultural traditions of the race but it will in no way accept outside accusations in disregard of its national character."

"He said that as assigned by the State Law and Order Restoration Council discussions with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi were held for the second time on 28 October. Political and economic situation of the country, efforts being made by the State Law and Order Restoration Council and measures that should be taken for the future were discussed cordially and frankly with mutual understanding. There have been both optimistic and pessimistic views within the nation and without over the meeting. It was held with no one's urging nor under anyone's pressure but it has been the result of mutual understanding, he said. The State Law and Order Restoration Council, he said, has been adopting and implementing political and economic strategies and it will march on to reach the objective which will not be changed by anyone's pressure, he said adding that it will not allow the momentum of present endeavours to diminish. However, he said, good counsel will be sought and right and best path will be chosen to reach the objective in the long-term interest of the nation."

1,502 teachers are attending the four week course. (NLM 11/1) Nov. 25: The Course concluded, with an address by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. After general remarks, including a detailed survey of progress in Myanmar's transportation infrastructure. "Despite full goodwill of local residents in their contribution of voluntary labour, he said, certain elements and armed groups who bear ill will towards the wellbeing of Myanmar are extensively engaged in a propaganda campaign, alleging that the people are subject to forced labour." He went to denounce "destructive elements" at length.

"Due to the spread of concocted news and dissemination of unfounded information by a handful of traitorous groups, those mouthing human rights are making allegations through misconceptions of Myanmar, he said.

"He remarked that those who are engaged in such propaganda are expatriates who think highly of other nations and making livelihood there, armed organizations unwilling to return to the legal fold, those who want themselves under foreign influence and who bear ill will towards Myanmar and destructive elements.

"These destructive forces, he said, are sending unfounded news to the international organization, alleging that Myanmar is abusing human rights, persecuting those demanding democracy and similarly, certain nations, in collaboration with armed groups, are concocting falsehood about Myanmar and certain radio stations are broadcasting

subversive propaganda.

"He reiterated destructive plans of some armed organizations and expatriates in which there are plans for sending concocted news to international organizations and NGOs with purpose of causing Myanmar to be shunned by the international circles.

"He spoke of inethical [sic] journalists who are creating an industry for themselves by writing concoctions as if they were representatives of the armed groups....

"Speaking of the latest piece of news, he said a radio station is broadcasting that Myanmar is attempting to eradicate some national armed groups by bacteriological warfare and the radio also said that a congressman had found some evidence that could be linked to the case and on the other hand, it said a legitimate department of the nation said it did not find any such evidence.

"He said a definite conclusion cannot be drawn as to what reasons and purposes those concocting the news and those broadcasting it have but it is clear that they have been creating a story with dishonest aims....

"Making these allegations is an act completely counter to Myanmar cultural traditions and it can be said that there is no cause for those who know about Myanmar nationals and have been to Myanmar to assume these allegations are correct, he said.

"If clarification is not made on these allegation[s], he said, image of Myanmar and its people will be tarnished due to the persons who are not informed about Myanmar.

"He called on the teachers to recount his clarification to their pupils and neighbours, help eradicate these elements and participate in the movement of the Union Solidarity and Development Association with aims towards harnessing youths' capabilities in national construction services...." (NLM 11/26)

#### USDA

Nov. 7: The opening of Management Course No. 4/94 for USDA [Union Solidarity and Development Association] Executive Committee Members was addressed by the USDA's Patron, SLORC Chairman Senior General Than Shwe. "He asserted that trainees are fully aware of the fact that the five aims of USDA will ever remain correct and alive for Myanmar and there will not occur any dispute or difference of opinion over these aims. The trainees are the hardcore of the USDA and represent the only national force which will always work together with the Tatmadaw;.... Emphasizing the importance of good beginnings for fruitful results, he warned that there should be qualified members at different levels of the USDA but at the same time measures must be taken to quard against opportunists.... He spoke of the need for the youths to be convinced of the fact that USDA is a dependable and reliable organization for patriotic youths and to play a most active role.... All the trainees...are to instil in the youths the love for one's race, the spirit of national unity, the spirit of defending the independence and sovereignty at the risk of life, the spirit of preventing the destructionists from disturbing and disrupting the rule of law and peace and tranquillity in the nation. At the same time, he noted, they should be aware of unscrupulous persons who would not like to see improving peace and tranquillity and favourable conditions in the country and as such they are misleading the youths for their selfish ends. The trainees are to organize the youths not to pay heed to the instigations of destructionists and instead to adopt the correct concepts and utilize their physical and intellectual strength in the national interest..." (NLM 11/8)

## Meeting with Kayan Pyithit Party

Nov. 4: Chairman of the Work Committee for Development of Border Areas and National Races SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt met with Leader U Than Soe Naing of the Kayan Pyithit Party to discuss "education, health, road transport and regional development." (NLM 11/5)

Police Warned to Mend Ways

Nov. 6: Speaking to police units in Mandalay, Sagaing, and Bago Divisions between Oct. 27-Nov. 5, Director-General Police Maj-Gen. San Thein of the People's Police Force "touched on the three tasks of the PPF, namely, prevalence of law and order, crime prevention and investigation, and measures against narcotic drugs. He spoke of unfavourable public opinion towards some of the PPF personnel because of their continued misbehaviour and malpractices. Instead of serving the public they are annoying them he said.

"He told them of gradual changes being brought about with the formation of the committee for changing PPF management system chaired by the Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council. It is necessary for PPF personnel to mend their ways of the past or else they will be dissociated [sic]. He warned that they may also face prison sentences. He disclosed that a law is being drafted to set up courts like courts-martial to take disciplinary action against PPF personnel...." (NLM 11/7)

#### NATIONAL CONVENTION

National Convention Working Sessions

[News stories sometimes list speakers, and often note when the next meetings are due, but very little of substance is included.]

Oct. 31: Three groups met. Peasants: the proposal paper on Legislature was discussed and delegates named to read it at the Plenary Session. Workers: the proposal paper on self-administered areas was finalized. State service personnel: a proposal paper on Executive was discussed. (NLM 11/1)

Nov. 1: Five groups met. Peasants: completion of proposal papers was discussed. Workers: completion of proposal papers on self-administered areas was discussed. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: proposal papers were read. State service personnel: The proposal paper on Executive was scrutinized by the Panel of Chairmen. National races: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on Judiciary. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 3: Three groups met. Peasants: proposal papers on Executive were presented. Workers: coordination on the Executive proposal paper. State service personnel: a proposal paper on self-administered areas was presented. (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 4: Four groups met. Peasants: papers on Executive were presented. Workers: papers on self-administered areas were presented. State service personnel: a paper on Executive was presented. National races: a time for discussing the paper on Judiciary was determined. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 7: Three groups met. Peasants: papers on Executive were read, and a group formed to submit the final version to the Panel of Chairmen. Workers: papers were scrutinized by the Panel of Chairmen. Nationalities: papers on Judiciary were read. (NLM 11/8)

Nov. 8: Five groups met. Peasants: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the proposal paper on Judiciary. Workers: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the proposal paper on Judiciary. Other invited persons: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers. Political parties: papers on Legislature were presented; the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers. National races: proposal papers on Judiciary were presented. (NLM 11/9)

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Nov. 9: Four groups met. Peasants: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on Judiciary. State service personnel: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized a paper on Executive. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: the Panel of Chairmen received a paper on Legislature. National races: papers on Judiciary were heard. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 10: Five groups met. Workers: a paper on Legislature was discussed. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: a proposal on Executive was scrutinized. Other invited persons: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary. Political parties: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on

Legislature. National races: a paper on Executive was approved. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 11: Five groups met. Workers: papers on Executive and Judiciary were approved. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: papers on Judiciary and Legislature were discussed. State service personnel: a paper on Executive was read. Other invited persons: the Panel of Chairmen discussed papers on Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary. National races: the paper on Judiciary was approved. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 14: Three groups met. Peasants: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the paper on Executive. State service personnel: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the paper on Legislature. Other invited persons: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the papers on Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary. (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 15: Four groups met. Peasants: proposal papers were received. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on Legislature. Other invited delegates: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized papers on Executive and Judiciary. Political parties: proposal papers were presented. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 16: Four groups met. Peasants: papers were presented. State service personnel: a proposal paper on Judiciary compiled by the Ministry of Defence group was presented. Political parties: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the paper on Judiciary. Representatives-elect: the Panel of Chairmen heard the NUP paper on Judiciary. (NLM 11/17)

Judiciary. (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 18: Three group met. Intelligentsia and intellectuals: the proposal paper on Legislature was approved. State service personnel: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the paper on Judiciary. Other invited persons: three papers were received. (NLM 11/19)

Nov. 21: Five groups met. Peasants: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the Judiciary paper. State service personnel: a paper on Executive was presented. Other invited persons: papers on Legislature and Executive were presented. Political parties: papers on Judiciary were presented. Representatives-elect: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized an NLD paper on Legislature. (NLM 11/22)

Nov. 22: Two groups met. State service personnel: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized the paper on Judiciary. Other invited persons: papers on Judiciary and Executive were received. (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 23: Three groups met. Intellectuals and intelligentsia: papers on Judiciary and Executive were approved. State service personnel: a paper on Judiciary was read. Other invited persons: papers were presented, and the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized them. (NLM 11/24)

Nov. 24: Two groups met. Other invited persons: papers were read. Political parties: the Panel of Chairmen discussed the Legislature paper. (NLM 11/25)

Nov. 25: Three groups met. Other invited persons: proposal papers were received. Political parties: the Panel of Chairmen scrutinized proposal papers. Representatives-elect: proposal papers were read. (NLM 11/26)

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Nov. 28: Two groups met. State service personnel: the Panel of Chairmen discussed a proposal paper on Judiciary. Other invited persons: papers were presented on Legislature, Judiciary, and Executive. (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 29: Three groups met. Peasants: the proposal paper on Executive was approved. State service personnel: a paper on Judiciary was read. Political parties: an NLD paper on Legislature was read. (NLM 11/30)

#### DIPLOMATIC

## Diplomatic Calls

The following calls were paid on Burmese officials by foreign Embassy or UN officials accredited to Burma. Ambassadors generally accompany foreign visitors from their countries on official calls, and their presence is generally not noticed in this Summary.

Nov. 1: Vietnamese Ambassador Tran Viet Tan called on Minister

for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen. Maung Thint. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 4: Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Information Brig-Gen. Myo Thant. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 8: United States Charge d'Affaires Ms. Marilyn A. Meyers called on Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen. Mya Thin. (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 9: Chinese Ambassador Mrs. Chen Baoliu called on Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi. Laotian Ambassador Ly Bounkham called on Deputy Minister for Culture U Soe Nyunt to discuss "presenting entertainment programme of Laotian cultural song, dance and circus troupe during the last week of this month. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 10: Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Yin. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 11: French Ambassador Bernard Pottier called on Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 14: United States Charge d'Affaires Ms. Marilyn A. Meyers called on Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen. Tin Tun. Korean Ambassador Jung Hwan Kim called on Minister for Education U Pan Aung. (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 15: The United States Charge d'Affaires called on Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin, and on Minister for Transport Lt-Gen. Thein Win. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 23: New Zealand Ambassador Philip H. Gibson called on Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen. Chit Swe. (NLM 11/24)

Nov. 24: The New Zealand Ambassador called on Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen. Win Tin. Iranian Ambassador Gholamreza Yousefi called on Deputy Minister for Trade U Aung Thaung, and in Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein. French Ambassador Bernard Pottier called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein. Malaysian Ambassador John Tenewi Nuek called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein, and on Minister for Education U Pan Aung. Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Industry-2 U Than Shwe. Bangladeshi Ambassador Brig. Chowdhury Khalequzzaman (Retd) called on Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen. Mya Thin. (NLM 11/25)

Nov. 25: Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen. Mya Thin. New Zealand Ambassador Philip H. Gibson, resident in Bangkok, called on Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries Brig-Gen. Maung Maung. Chinese Ambassador Mrs. Chen Baoliu called on Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung. (NLM 11/26)

Nov. 28: French Ambassador Bernard Pottier called on Minister for Industry 1 Lt-Gen. Sein Aung. Indonesian Ambassador Mochamad Sanoesi called on Minister for Agriculture Lt-Gen. Myint Aung. Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein. (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 29: Pakistani Ambassador Abbas H. Mirza called on Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen. Win Tin, on Minister for Agriculture Lt-Gen. Myint Aung, and Minister at the Prime Minister's Office Brig-Gen. Lun Maung. New Zealand Ambassador Philip H. Gibson called on Minister for Communications, Posts & Telegraphs U Soe Tha. Israeli Ambassador Mordechay Karni called on Minister for Agriculture Lt-Gen. Myint Aung. (NLM 11/30)

New Ambassadors to Myanmar

Nov. 9: M. Bernard Pottier presented credentials to SLORC Chairman Senior General Than Shwe as new French Ambassador to Myanmar. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 21: Myanmar has agreed to the appointment of Mr. Poksak Nilubol as new Thai Ambassador to Myanmar. He was born Mar. 22, 1944, and joined the Foreign Ministry in 1975. He has served in the Ministries, and in Hanoi and Brussels. From 1989-91 he was Director in the Office of the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and is currently Minister at the Royal Thai Embassy in Paris. He is married, with a son and daughter. (NLM 11/22)

Nov. 4: U Phone Myint, Myanmar Ambassador to Korea, left for Seoul. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 15: U Aye, Myanmar Permanent Representative to the United Nations at Geneva left for Switzerland. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 26: U Maung Maung Lay, Myanmar Ambassador to Vietnam, left for Hanoi. (NLM 11/27)
Nov. 28: U Soe Win, Myanmar Ambassador to Japan, left for

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## Diplomatic Schools

Nov. 5: The School for Japanese Children held a children's festival, headed by Principal Mr. Hirosho Kimura, participated in by children of the Korean, Indonesia, and Russian Embassies, the International and Diplomatic Schools, and Basic Education Schools. (NLM 11/6)

# Military Attaches Visit Shan State

Nov. 12: Military Attaches and families in Yangon, led by Attache Dean Col. Hiroshi Mamizuka of Japan [others involved not named], visited Taunggyi, Pindaya, Inlay, and Loikaw from Nov. 10-12. (NLM 11/13)

#### Embassies Visit Border Areas

Nov. 18: A party of diplomats, led by Director-General Lt-Col. Thein Han of the Office of the Work Committee for Development of Border Areas and National Races, toured the Kokang and Wa areas from Nov. 11-16, to examine "cash crop plantations such as sugarcane, sesamum and millet grown to substitute opium poppy, new schools and hospitals and hydro-electric power projects" in the Kokang and Wa regions, and in Chinshwehaw, Namtip, Vinghing, and Mongton Townships. Participants included UNDP Assistant Representative Maurice Dewulf, French Embassy Counsellor Francois Sastourne, Japanese First Secretary Taeko Takahashi, Australian First Secretary Jonathan Hugh Philp, and American Counsellor Mark Taylor. (NLM 11/19)

# INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

## Joint Workshops & Projects

Nov. 2: A Seminar on ORT/ORS, jointly sponsored by the Department of Health, MMA, and UNICEF, was held at the Myanmar Medical Association. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 2: A one-week National Movement for Intensification of Diarrhoeal Treatment, cosponsored by the Central Infections Diseases Eradication Unit of the Department of Health and by UNICEF, was explained. The week designated is Oct. 31-Nov. 4. Speaking on the occasion, Deputy Minister for Health Col. Than Zin said that "In Myanmar...programmes have been drawn up for treatment and prevention of the disease, which is rampant among babies under five, and are aimed mainly at reducing the outbreak and mortality rate. He spoke of three rules for home treatment of an infected child--to give liquids, to continue feeding and, if not alleviated, to go to the nearest medical centre or doctor." Present was WHO Resident Representative Dr. Provolovic, UNICEF Resident Representative Mr. S.H. Umemoto, officials of UNDP, and health personnel. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 3: A Seminar and Workshop on the Law of War, jointly sponsored by the Directorate of Military Training and the International Committee of the Red Cross, opened with 30 trainees. Among the speakers were ICRC representatives Mr. Dave de al Praz and Mr. A. Ferretti. (NLM 11/4) // Nov. 10: The Seminar concluded; it was attended by 30 Tatmadaw officers (army, navy, and air). The concluding ceremonies included ICRC Representatives Mr. Aleardo Ferretti and Mrs. Friedrun Medert. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 9: UNDCP Project Adviser Mr. Clive Massey and Administrative Officer Ms. Sally Mansfield delivered equipment, including an overhead projector set, slide projector, and Nikon camera, to the Work Committee for Development of Border Areas and

National Races. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 16: The Third Workshop on Economic Development Plan, Implementation and Prospects in Myanmar opened, jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, the Jinro Group of Korea (represented by Chairman Mr. J.H. Chang) and the American Council on Asia and Pacific Affairs (ACAPA) (represented by Chairman Dr. Gaston J. Sigur). The previous two workshops were held in Seoul (Sept. 1992) and Washington (Nov. 1993). Present were Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel, Korean Ambassador Jung Hwan Kim, American Charge d'Affaires Marilyn A. Meyers, and others. Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen. Win Tin said that in 1991-92 there was foreign investment totalling US \$645 million from 46 foreign enterprises; in 1994 this had risen to US\$ 1.3 billion in over 100 projects from 17 countries. "To name some missions of them, they include Hintha Group and Ivanhoe Group of the United States and Canada, various Singapore economic delegation groups led by Singapore Prime Minister Mr. Goh Chok Tong, Indonesian Economic delegations led by its two ministers, various economic research institutes from Japan including Nomura Research Institute and Daiwa Research Institute, British Board of Trade, bankers from Thailand, Singapore, Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia and French, Australian trade and private enterprises delegations and numerous other prominent missions, both on official and on private capacities. This is the most opportune time for foreign investors to come to our country and do business for mutual benefits." Remarks were also made by Director Dr. Hak Chang Choo of the Centre for Economic Education of Korea Development Institute and Chairman Mr. Tae Yong Hahm of the Long-term Credit Bank of Korea. (NLM 11/17) // Nov. 17: The Workshop concluded. "The discussions covered the role of America in South-East Asia by Chairman of the ACAPA Advisory Council Dr. Gaston J. Sigur, politics in South-East Asia by Mr. Torkel Patterson, economy in South-East Asia by Mr. Eric D.K. Melby, assessment on Myanmar's economic development by Director of the Centre for Economic Education of Korea Development Institute Dr. Hak Chung Choo, present situation and potentials of Korea-Myanmar economic cooperation by Professor Hak K. Pyo of Seoul National University and free market economic policy in China by Professor Keun Lee. (NLM 11/18)

Nov. 16: Discussions on the Application of Biotechnology in Cultivation of Crops and Fruit Plants, co-sponsored by the Ministry of Agriculture and L.K. Bio-Research of Singapore, represented by Managing Director Mr. Patrick H.M. Loh. "Potato, ginger, banana, pineapple and strawberry plants will be grown on ten acres each with the use of biotechnology." (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 21: A 5-day Training Workshop on Developing Efficient Marketing Systems and Practices in the Export and Import of Grains opened at the International Business Centre, jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Trade, FAO, and Agricultural Food Marketing Association (AFMA). It was opened by Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi. Present were FAO Resident Representative A.W. Jalil, AFMA Executive Director M.R. Satyal, and resource persons from China, Cambodia, Laos, Mongolia, Vietnam, and Myanmar. 18 representatives of 6 nations are attending the workshop, at the Kandawgyi Hotel. The Minister noted that Myanmar's population of 43 million will increase to 60 million by the year 2000 and "it is of utmost importance to increase paddy output." The original target for rice exports this year was 250,000 tons, but it will be four times as large. The loading capacity of Yangon Port has been increased from 700 to 2,500 tons per day. "Private sector is at liberty to export all crops other than rice and rice products, he said." (NLM 11/22)

Nov. 23: A Technical Seminar on Dyeing of Textile Fabrics was sponsored by Sandoz Products (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd, jointly with the Aung Agency and Consultancy of Yangon. Marketing and Technical Manager Mr. Otto Bartl spoke. (NLM 11/24)

Nov. 24: A Pain Treatment Centre, jointly organized by the Ministry of Health and UPSA Pain Institute of France, represented by Mme. Dr. Nicole Bru, opened at Yangon General Hospital. The Center

will "treat outpatients suffering from cancer pain, orthopedic pain, gynaecological pain, neurological pain, psychogenic pain, etc., from 8:30 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. (NLM 11/25)

Nov. 28: A National Seminar on Consumer Cooperative Development in Myanmar, co-sponsored by the Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific of International Cooperative Alliance (ICA), Japanese Consumers Cooperative Union (JCCU), and the Myanmar Central Cooperative Society. Present were Programme Officer Ms. Barbara Leng of the Yangon UNDP office, Consumer Adviser Mr. Pradit Machima of ICA, and Executive Director Mr. Yoshihiro Okamoto and Manager Mr. Akira Kumrimoto of JCCU. The three-day seminar is being attended by 20 representatives and 10 observers of Myanmar cooperative organizations. (NLM 11/29) // Nov. 29: The Seminar continued. (NLM 11/30)

# Donations from Abroad

Nov. 2: Chairman Mr. Glynn Manson of GJM (HK) Purchasing Ltd., of Hong Kong presented medical equipment worth US\$ 63,168 to Myanmar military hospitals. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 4: General Manager Mr. Norio Akiya and party of Mitsubishi Corporation (Yangon Branch) donated 1,000 tins of milk powder worth K 550.000 to the Shwegondaing Day Care Centre. (NLM 11/5)

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Nov. 9: Five Myanmar doctors resident in San Francisco, Dr. Hla
Pe, Dr. Tin Pe, Dr. Win Kyaw, Dr. Kyaw Soe Myint, and Dr. Myat Cho,
donated a fax machine, a telephone, and medical journals worth US\$
500 to the Institute of Medicine-1. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 14: Twelve doctors from the Association of Medical Doctors in Asia, led by Dr. Koichi Nacata, donated medicine worth US\$ 9,000 to the Infectious Diseases Hospital. (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 14: Chairman Mr. Ramesh Kumar Agarwal and party of the R. Piyarelall Group of Companies donated K 200,000 for the Yenatha Leprosy Hospital in Mandalay. (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 16: Shiga Motors Co. Ltd. and Minami Motors Co. Ltd. Myanmar of Funatsu Motors Co. Ltd. presented two fire engines worth ❖ 400,000 to the Yangon City Development Committee. Present were Executive Adviser Mr. Kasuga Tadashi of Minami Co. Ltd. Myanmar and Managing Director Daw Kaythi Win. (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 16: Mr. Peter Cooper and wife of the Adventist Development and Relief Agency Myanmar (ADRA) donated medicines worth US\$ 50,000 and a computer worth K 100,000 to the Health Department. (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 18: Germany presented a cheque for DM 30,000 for rebuilding schools destroyed in Maungtaw and Buthidaung Townships, Rakhine State, during the May 2, 1994 storm. // See also under Joint Ventures. (NLM 11/19)

Nov. 23: German humanitarian organizations presented medicines to the Health Department. (NLM 11/24)

Nov. 24: Mr. Mike Phua, General Manager of the Export Division of Wander (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. presented Ovaltine for 5,000 students who will take part in the Fifth Student Sports Festival in Myitkyina, and K 250,000 for the festival showroom of the Sports and Physical Education Department. (NLM photo caption 11/25)

Nov. 24: Vredeico Food Industries Private Ltd. and Golden Flower Co. Ltd. donated K 500,000 for the Armed Forces Golden Jubilee. (NLM 11/25)

Nov. 25: General Manager Mr. Ikeya of Daimaru Corporation in Yangon, on behalf of Chairman T. Yamamoto of Fujitsu Ltd. of Japan, presented a Fax machine to the Myanmar Institute for Strategic and International Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. (NLM 11/26)

Nov. 25: Consultant Dr. Tin Maung Naing of Idris Hydraulic Co. Ltd. of Malaysia presented two computers to the Immigration and Manpower Department. (NLM 11/26)

Nov. 25: The Dhammasetkya Association of Myanmar Buddhist Monastery in Singapore presented US\$ 500 for the Sangha of the State Pariyatti Sasana Tekkatho in Yangon. (NLM 11/26)

Border Affairs

Nov. 5: A Thai delegation led by Lt-Gen. Surachet Dechatiwong, Commander of the Third Army Area, arrived in Yangon to attend the 10th meeting of the Myanmar-Thai Regional Border Committee in Taunggyi, and immediately flew on to Heho, where it will meet with Myanmar counterparts led by Eastern Commander Maj-Gen. Ket Sein. (NLM 11/6) // Nov. 9: The delegation called on Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Gen. Maung Aye, after attending the Taunggyi meeting. The delegation then departed for home. (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 8: The 9-mile paved Mongyu-Muse motor road was inaugurated Nov. 7 in Shan State, in the presence of SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, and of Chinese officials including Party General Secretary of De Hong Tai Mr. He Yuan Can, Party General Secretary of Shweli Mr. Li Chang Su, and Mayor of Ruili Mr. Chen Hong Liang. China and Myanmar split the 5.2 million yuan cost. Col. Chit Khaing, on behalf of the Northeast Commander, briefed the Secretary-1 on plans for the establishment of a Muse economic and trade zone, including "the blue plan of the site for department store, hotel, shops, recreation centre, office, parking lot, heavy industry, small scale industry, warehouses and brokerages and water supply programme." SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt "revealed plans to allot plots of land to entrepreneurs and merchants of Myanmar to invest," said work would soon begin on the Nampaw Creek hydro-electric power project to provide round-the-clock electricity to the border towns of Muse, Namhkam and Kyukok, and disclosed "the plan to allow visitors from the other country an over-night stay in Myanmar...." He said national entrepreneurs wishing to open hotels, motels, and inns in Muse can do so. (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 14: The Second Meeting between Myanmar and Thailand on "drug abuse control in the common border" was held at the Special Drug Control Office in Tachilek on Nov. 11. The 8-member Myanmar delegation was led by Deputy Director Central Narcotics) Police Lt-Col. Sit Aye of the People's Police Force, and the 8-member Thai delegation was led by Head of Thai Narcotic Drug Control Region 2 Mr. Vetin Chaovalit. "The two sides discussed news connected with refining and trafficking of narcotic drugs across the border." (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 23: Measures to coordinate building the Myanmar-Thai friendship bridge (in Kawkareik) were held. (NLM 11/24)

# Myanmar-Indian Strategic Roundtable

Nov. 7: Roundtable discussions organized by the Myanmar Institute for Strategic and International Studies were held at the Foreign Ministry, attended by members, Rectors of Universities and Institutes, invited guests, Director Mr. Jasjit Singh of the Institute of Defence Studies and Analyses of New Delhi, India, Indian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. G. Parthasarathy, and Indian Military Attache Col. P Bhardwaj. Later Mr. Jasjit Singh, accompanied by Indian Charge d'Affaires Banbit A. Roy, called on Chief Justice U Aung Toe to discuss the National Convention. (NLM 11/8) // Nov. 8: Mr. Singh and his delegation called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. (NLM 11/9)

# Red Cross Donors

Nov. 22: A meeting of the Red Cross Societies of donor nations, sponsored by the Myanmar Red Cross Society, took place at the Medical Research Department. Present were International Red Cross Asia and Pacific Region representative Mr. John Humphreys, ICRC representative Ms. Friedurm [sic] Medert, and representatives of Red Cross Societies of Sweden, Japan, Thailand, Canada, Korea, Australia, and Germany, diplomats, etc. (NLM 11/23) // Nov. 26: The Meeting concluded. (NLM 11/27)

International Agency Visitors

Oct. 31: Senior WHO Regional Adviser on Malaria Dr. V.S. Orlov called on Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt. (NLM 11/1)

Oct. 31: A World Bank economic mission led by Mr. Sudhir Shetty called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/1) // Nov. 10: The mission met with members of the Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 3: Regional ICRC Representative Mr. Dave de la Praz called on Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen. Mya Thin to discuss Red Cross business. (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 10: Director Mr. W. Blatter of the Asia and Oceania Bureau, UNHCR, called on SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 20: United Nations Under-Secretary-General Rafeeuddin Ahmed, representative of the Secretary-General, arrived as the guest of Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. (NLM 11/21) // Nov. 21: He met with Chief Justice U Aung Toe, along with Joint Secretary of the National Convention Convening Work Committee U Thaung Nyunt and Supreme Court Director-General U Ba Than. He also called on Deputy Attorney-General U Khin Maung Aye, and on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. (NLM 11/22) // Nov. 22: He visited and observed the National Convention meetings. He was accompanied by Mr. Francese M. Vendrell, Director of East Asia and the Pacific Division, Department of Political Affairs, and UN Myanmar Desk Officer Ms. Beng Yong Chew. He also called on Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Yin. (NLM 11/23) // Nov. 23: After being received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, he departed. (NLM 11/24)

# Cultural and Medical Visitors

Nov. 4: A six-member delegation led by Mr. Takusei Umenai of the Sasakawa Foundation of Japan called on Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt; it is visiting "to study the distribution and application of medicines presented by the foundation for the Respiratory Diseases Prevention Project in Myanmar." (NLM 11/5) // Nov. 7: The delegation called on Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi to discuss assistance to the Madaya Leprosy Hospital. (NLM 11/8)

Nov. 8: Special Representative Director of Economic Studies and Synthesis M. Pascal Mazodier of the National Institute of Statistics and Economic Studies of France called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein to discuss technical cooperation in offshore oil and natural gas production and electric power, and on Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries Brig-Gen. Maung Maung. (NLM 11/9) // Nov. 15: He called on Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 8: Mr. Timothy Renn, Director of Communication, and Prof. and Mrs. Matt Tuite of the Kellogg Graduate School of Administration, Northwestern University of the United States, called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/9) Nov. 11: The Orbis Flying Hospital departed, after a stay of

Nov. 11: The Orbis Flying Hospital departed, after a stay of over a month. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 17: Associate Director for Conservation Dr. Chris Wemmer of the Smithsonian Institute [sic] and experts, "currently here to conduct courses on wildlife conservation in Myanmar" were hosted at dinner by Minister for Forestry Lt-Gen. Chit Swe. Dr. Wemmer presented a computer and other equipment worth US\$ 25,000 to the Forestry Department, a gift from the Milwaukee Zoological Gardens for use in "management of wildlife preservation and census." (NLM 11/18)

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Nov. 18: Sub-regional Adviser on HIV/ AIDS Project of the UNDP,
Dr. D Jayasuriya of New Delhi, called on Director-General Police MajGen. San Thein of the People's Police, Secretary of the Central
Committee for Drug Abuse Control, to discuss the spread of AIDS by
drug abuse. (NLM 11/19)

Nov. 24: A 10-member Thai study delegation from Chiangmai University, headed by Rector Prof. Choti Theetranont, which arrived Nov. 23, called on Deputy Education Minister Dr. Than Nyunt to discuss university relations. (NLM 11/25)

Business Visitors

Oct. 31: Managing Director Mr. Kinichi Ogura of Siam Sanwa Co. Ltd., accompanied "by the president of two Japanese companies" called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel to discuss "establishing business institutions in Myanmar." (NLM 11/1)

Nov. 1: Chairman Mr. Rolando A. Golez of Diamond Board Philippines Inc. called on Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen. Tin Tun to discuss diamond bit technology. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 1: A delegation headed by Chairman Mr. Phillip Yeo of the Economic Development Board of Singapore arrived and met with Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/2) // Nov. 2: The delegation called on SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, and on Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen. Kyaw Ba. (NLM 11/3) // Nov. 3: The delegation called on Minister for Industry 1 Lt-Gen. Sein Aung, and on Minister for Transport Lt-Gen. Thein Win. Later the delegation departed. (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 1: A delegation headed by Executive Director Mr. Christopher Hamerbeck of the British Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong called on Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen. Kyaw Ba. (NLM 11/2) // Nov. 3: The delegation called on Minister for Transport Lt-Gen. Thein Win to discuss investment in civil aviation and maritime fields. (NLM 11/4) // Nov. 4: The delegation called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 1: A delegation of British businessmen and industrialists from Hong Kong [no members named] called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/2) [Query: is this the same as the delegation above?]

Nov. 3: A delegation led by Managing Director Mr. Sumiaki Kuwano of Nikko Securities Co. Ltd. of Japan called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 4: Chairperson Ms. Miriam Marshall Segal of Peregrine Capital Myanmar Ltd. and Vice-Chairman Mr. Brian Baillie of P & O Asia (Australia) called on Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen. Tin Tun. (NLM 11/5) // Nov. 8: Ms. Segal, accompanied by Director Mr. Claude Charles and party, called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein. (NLM 11/9) // Nov. 10: She called on Minister for Cooperatives U Than Aung to discuss handicraft exports. (NLM 11/11) // Nov. 24: Ms. Miriam Marshall Segal called on Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt to discuss "assistance in medical supplies and giving lectures on cardiac surgery." (NLM 11/25) // Nov. 28: Ms. Miriam Marshall Segal, accompanied by her husband Dr. Michael Segal, called on Deputy Prime Minister Lt-Gen. Tin Tun. to discuss foreign investment in Myanmar and "plans for cooperation of entrepreneurs and industrial producers of the United States." (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 4: A 25-member Finnish Economic Delegation led by Mr. Veikko Soralahti called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel; it was accompanied by Finnish Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Pertti A. Karkkainen. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 5: Vice-President Mr. Pat M. MacDonald of Triton of the United States and party called on Minister for Energy U Khin Maung Thein to discuss "joint undertaking of oil and natural gas drilling at new offshore blocks." (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 5: Silk Air, the Nawarat Hotel, and Tour Mandalay cosponsored a promotional tour of Myanmar, beginning Nov. 2, for "officials and representatives of ten key Singapore travel agencies." They visited Bagan and Mandalay, and will return home Nov. 7. (NLM 11/7)

Nov. 8: A Singapore tourism mission headed by Mr. Edmund Ip called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel and Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi. (NLM 11/9) // Nov. 9: The mission called on Yangon Mayor U Ko Lay. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 9: President Mr. Will Kidd of Sunsource Unlimited Inc. of the US explained his solar energy panel to officials of the Ministry of Agriculture, Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and private manufacturers. Made in the US, it can generate 22 watts and DC 12 volts from 4-5 hours sunlight, and will last for over 20 years to power "pumping, fountaining, lighting and using electronic devices...." A set of panels costs K 22,000. For information, contact Mechanized Agriculture Cooperative Society Ltd., 16 Myaynu Street, Sangyoung [Yangon], telephone 33278. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 9: Managing Director Daw San Lwin of Century Royal Co. Ltd. of Japan demonstrated wall paper and interior decoration materials at the Inspection and Agency Services. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 10: Mr. John Tregea of Capital Mac Centre (New Zealand) will conduct a multimedia demonstration of Apple computer technology, jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism and Myanmar Computer Company. (NLM 11/11) // Nov. 11: The demonstration was held, featuring the Hyper Card-based video production with the application of Micromind Director and Adobe Photoshop...." (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 11: Fifty-two tour operators who flew to Myanmar on the inaugural Myanma Airways International flight from Kuala Lumpur on Nov. 9 toured Bago. Their tour is arranged by Ruby Land Tourism Services Company Limited. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 15: Managing Director Mr. Ali Hosain and Director Mr. Mohsin Beh Bahany of Burwood International Company of Australia met with Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen. Kyaw Ba to discuss tourism. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 20: Vice-President Mr. McCarroll of Santa Fe Energy Resources Myanmar Ltd. of USA, flew to Bagan on Nov. 18 to inspect preparations for test wells in Magway Division under its contract with Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE). They were welcomed by Santa Fe's local representative Mr. William Lundrum. Visited were Test Well No. 1 in Kyaukkhwet and other projects. (NLM 11/21)

Nov. 29: A delegation led by Chairman Mr. Sadakane Doi of Daiwa Securities Co. Ltd. called on Deputy Prime Minister Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin, Chairman of the Myanmar Investment Commission. He signed a memorandum of understanding with Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel, under which the company will assist Myanmar in establishing a stock market, and developing capital markets and privatisation. (NLM 11/30)

Nov. 29: A six-member delegation from the Export Promotion Department of the Thai Ministry of Commerce called on members of the Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industry.  $(NLM\ 11/30)$ 

# Foreign Journalists

Nov. 9: Mr. Charles Radin, Chief of the Asia/Pacific Bureau of the Boston Globe, based in Tokyo, called on Joint-Secretary Police Col. Ngwe Soe Tun of the Central Committee for Drug Abuse Control. (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 10: Head of the BBC Myanmar Service in London Mr. Derek Brooke Wavell called on Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 10: Correspondent of the Bangkok Bureau, Yomiuri Shimbun, Mr. Toshio Toma called on Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 22: Executive Director Mr. Khinya Inoue of Japan Media Communication Centre met with Minister for Information Brig-Gen. Myo Thant to discuss "entertainment and education programmes which can be telecast in Myanmar." (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 25: Ms. Barbara Ann Bradley of the Christian Science Monitor of the United States called on Minister for Livestock Breeding & Fisheries Brig-Gen. Maung Maung. (NLM 11/26) // Nov. 28: She called on Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen. Win Tin. (NLM 11/29)

#### US State Department Mission

Oct. 31 [full text]: "Eradication of opium poppy cultivation discussed. Mr. Douglas K. Rasmussen of the United States Drug Enforcement Administration [sic--see below], accompanied by two officials of the embassy, called on Director-General at the Border

Areas and National Races Development Work Committee Office Lt-Col. Thein Han this morning. They discussed border region development projects, eradication of opium poppy cultivation, long- and shortterm projects and measures for cooperation in eradication of opium poppy cultivation. Also present were Lt-Col. Kyaw Thein of the Directorate of Defence Services Intelligence, Joint Secretary of Central Committee for Drug Abuse Control PPF Col. Ngwe Soe Tun and officials of the Border Areas and National Races Development Work Committee Office." [photo] (NLM 11/1)

Nov. 1 [full text]: "Secretary-1 receives US delegation, discusses improving relations. Secretary-1 of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt received visiting US Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs Mr. Thomas Hubbard, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights and Labour Affairs Ms. Nancy Ely-Raphel, International Narcotic Matters Bureau Asia Programmes Division Chief Mr. Douglas Rasmussen and National Security Council Staff Member Mr. Erick Schwartz at the Dagon Yeiktha of the Ministry of Defence at 9am today. Also present with the Secretary-1 were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Col. Tin Hlaing, Deputy Director of Defence Services Intelligence Col. Kyaw Win and Director-General of the Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Thura U Aung Htet. The guests were accompanied by Charge d'Affaires ai Ms. Marilyn A. Meyers. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs Mr. Thomas Hubbard and US officials accompanying him cordially and frankly discussed improving relations between Myanmar and the United States, developing trend of Myanmar's political and economic conditions, progress in drug abuse control, prospects for cooperation between the two countries and human rights." [photo] (NLM 11/2)

German Deputy Finance Minister
Nov. 1: German Deputy Minister of Finance Mr. Jurgen Echternach called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel. (NLM 11/2)

# Thai Retired Generals

Nov. 4: Gen. Suchinda Kraprayoon (Retired) and Gen. Tavorn Ratanavadi (Retired) and delegation called on SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, accompanied by Thai Charge d'Affaires ai Uthai Silthorn. (NLM 11/5)

## British Diplomat

Nov. 9: Mr. David Dain Assistant Under-Secretary for South and South-East Asia, British Foreign [and] Commonwealth Office, called on Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel to discuss British investment, and on Minister for Energy U  $\operatorname{Khin}$ Maung Thein to discuss energy. (NLM 11/10) // Nov. 11: He called on SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. (NLM 11/12)

# UN Human Rights Representative

Nov. 9: United Nations Human Rights Commission Representative Prof. Yozo Yokota arrived on Nov. 7, accompanied by Mr. Karim Ghezraoui and Miss Masami Harda. On Nov. 8, the visited the Shwedagon Pagoda and Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association, and called on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. On Nov. 9, they flew by helicopter to inspect the site of the Ye-Dawei railroad project, and "cordially met the people and service personnel contributing voluntary service." (NLM 11/10)

Nov. 10: He called on the Deputy Director of Defence Services Intelligence and on Secretary-General U Than Aung of the Union Solidarity and Development Association. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 11: He called on Minister for Information Brig-Gen. Myo Thant, and on officials of the National League for Democracy)
Chairman U Aung Shwe and EC member U Than Tun), National Unity Party (CEC member U Chit Hlaing and Secretariat member U Tin Latt), and

Union Kayin League (Chairman U Mahn Tin Aung and Joint-Secretary U Mahn Tin Maung). (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 13: He toured Upper Mandalay on Nov. 12, visiting Mandalay and Bagan, and helping to inaugurate the new Pakokku Railway Station. (NLM 11/14)

Nov. 14: He was received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. He also met with officials of the Prisons Department at Insein Central Jail, and "observed the jail, hospital, kitchen, watch tower, special ward and plantations." (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 15: He was received by Attorney-General U Tha Tun, by Chief Justice U Aung Toe, and met with Myanmar Red Cross Society President Dr. Tin Oo. He also observed National Convention delegate group discussions. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 16: Prof. Yokota and his delegation departed, after visiting Yangon and Dagon Universities. (NLM 11/17)

## Chinese Communications Minister

Nov. 10: Chinese Minister for Communications Mr. Huang Zhendong and party arrived on an invitation from Minister for Transport Lt-Gen. Thein Win. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 11: He called on Minister for Transport Lt-Gen. Thein Win to discuss "extension and upgrading of ports, construction of container yards and Kyaukpyu Deep-water Port, construction of a bridge across the Ayeyarwady and building of sea-going, coastal and riverine vessels and upgrading of shipyards." He also called on Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein to discuss "abidance of existing traffic rules and laws on both sides as the number of vehicles plying China-Myanmar border increases." (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 12: He visited Mandalay. (NLM 11/13)

Nov. 14: He departed. (NLM 11/15)

## Thai Upper House Speaker

Nov. 12: A 16-member delegation led by Speaker of the Thai Upper House Mr. Meechai Rachupan and wife, arrived, at the invitation of Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. Other members are Mr. Suthee Singha Saneh and wife (Chairman of the Committee on Finance, Banking and Financial Institutions); Gen. Chatcom Karnlong (Chairman of the Committee on Environment); Mr. Virapitrachat (Chairman of the Committee on Labour and Social Welfare); and Mr. Youth King Kete (Chairman of the Committee of Agriculture). (NLM 11/13)

Nov. 15: The delegation was received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. It then departed for home. (NLM 11/16)

## Chinese Friendship Mission

Nov. 16: An 8-member delegation from the Chinese Association for International Understanding, led by Vice-President Mr. Wan Guoquan, who is Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, arrived at the invitation of Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, who received the delegation in a meeting. (NLM 11/17) // Nov. 18: Round table discussions were held with the Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies, with greetings from Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw. (NLM 11/19) // Nov. 22: The delegation was received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, and met with Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel to discuss economic cooperation. (NLM 11/23) // Nov. 23: The delegation departed. (NLM 11/24)

## Malaysian Commander-in-Chief

Nov. 21: A goodwill delegation from Malaysia, led by Chief of Malaysian Defence Forces Gen. Tan Sri Borhan Bin Haji Ahmad arrived, at the invitation of Vice-Chairman of the State Law and Order Restoration Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Gen. Maung Aye, who received the delegation. Those present included Defence Adviser of Malaysia to Myanmar Lt-Col. Haji Shahrir Bin Hashim. (NLM 11/22)

Nov. 22: The Malaysian General was received by SLORC Chairman

Senior General Than Shwe. (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 23: He departed, after visiting Mandalay and Pyin-Oo-Lwin on Nov. 22. (NLM 11/24)

#### Yunnan Delegation

Nov. 22: A 15-member delegation led by Chairman Liu Shusheng of the Yunnan People's Political Consultative Conference arrived at the invitation of Minister at the Prime Minister's Office Col. Pe Thein, on whom the delegation called. (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 23: The delegation visited sights in Yangon. (NLM 11/24) Nov. 24: The delegation called on Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen. Myo Nyunt, on Minister for Industry-2 U Than Shwe, on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Ohn Gyaw, and on Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein. (NLM 11/25)

Nov. 27: The delegation toured Yangon, visiting the National Stadium-1 in Thuwunna and the National Theatre. (NLM 11/28)

Nov. 28: Members of the delegation visited Bago. (NLM 11/29) Nov. 29: The delegation was received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, and visited the Myanma Shipyards. (NLM 11/30)

## Australian Senator

Nov. 22: Australian Senator Robert Hill called on Deputy Minister for Health Col. Than Zin to discuss "primary health care, health workers being produced, and preventive measures on malaria, tuberculosis and AIDS." (NLM 11/23)

#### Laotian Dance Troupe

Nov. 29: A 20-member Lao song and dance ensemble, led by Director-General Khamphin Bouaphana of the Lao Fine Arts Department, arrived for a week of programmes. It will perform at the National Theatre Dec. 1-3, with tickets at K 100, K 75, and K 50. (NLM 11/30)

## MYANMAR DELEGATIONS

# Study Delegations

Nov. 5: A delegation led by Staff Officer U Soe Thein of Mandalay Library and Museum left for China via Lashio and Muse to study Yunnan province libraries from Nov. 9-23. Other members are Assistant Librarian U Myint Kyaing of the National Library, Head of the Pathein Library and Museum U Han Sein, Research Officer Daw San San Maw of the Archaeology Department, and Assistant Librarian Daw Khin Mu of the University of Culture. (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 9: A five-member education study group led by Principal U Tun Lwin of Pakhangyi Basic Education High School, Yesagyo Township, left for Japan on a 15-day study tour sponsored by the Japanese Government. With him were Junior Assistant Teacher U Hla Twin of No. 1 BEHS Yamethin, Senior Assistant Teacher U Toe Than of No. 2 BEHS South Okkalapa, SAT Daw Nang Khin Saw of No. 1 BEHS in Mawlamyine, and SAT Naw Charlotte Pe of No. 2 BEHS Hpa-an. (NLM 11/10)

# Delegations to Meetings & Events

Nov. 18: A delegation led by Attorney-General U Tha Tun left for Naples, Italy to participate in the Nov. 21-23 Ministerial Conference on Criminal Cases Committed Outside the Jurisdiction of a Nation. He was accompanied by Director-General U Kyaw Aye of the Attorney-General's Office; the delegation will be joined by the Myanmar Ambassador to Italy and a Myanmar Embassy official. (NLM 11/19) // Nov. 29: The delegation returned. (NLM 11/30)

Nov. 22: A two-member delegation led by Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel left for Bangkok to attend a Nov. 24 Meeting to Promote Regional Cooperation among Cambodia, China, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam, and to meet with the Bangkok-based Chamber of Commerce of Denmark. Members are Deputy Director-General U Maung Maung Ye and Director U Thin Maung of the Directorate of Investment and Companies. (NLM 11/23) // Nov. 26: He returned. (NLM 11/27) // Nov. 28: On Nov. 23, the Minister was

briefed on development projects in Chiangrai Province. On Nov. 24, the Minister addressed the meeting on opportunities for economic cooperation and investment in the Mekong Ri Valley, which was attended by 200 experts and entrepreneurs of Japan, Australia, Canada, and Thailand. A further meeting was held Nov. 25. In Bangkok, the Minister spoke to members of the Bangkok-based Chambers of Commerce of Denmark, Germany, Canada, Japan, and others. (NLM 11/29)

#### Religious Delegations

Nov. 1: Sayadaw Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Pannadipa of the World Buddhist Meditation Centre in Mayangon Township left for Rina del Garda in Italy to attend the Sixth World's Religions and Peace Conference. He was accompanied by a member of the Sangha and a layman. (NLM 11/2)

# Secretary-2 to China

Nov. 2: A goodwill delegation led by SLORC Secretary-2 Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen. Tin Oo left for China and Singapore, SLORC member for Military Appointments Lt-Gen. Maung Hla and senior Tatmadaw officers. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 17: The Secretary-2 returned. (NLM 11/18)

#### Border Minister to Vietnam

Nov. 5: A goodwill delegation led by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen. Maung Thint will visit Vietnam in the second week of November, at the invitation of Chairman Minister Hoang Duc Nghi of the Ethnic and Mountain Region Affairs Committee of Vietnam. (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 8: The Minister and his delegation departed. Members include Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Col. Tin Hlaing, Col. Zaw Tun of the Ministry of Defence, Director U Han Yi of the Office of the Attorney-General, U Denzil Abel of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Assistant Manager U Sein Win of the Ministry of Forestry, Director U Nyi Nyi and Deputy Director U Soe Aung of the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs, Manager U Myo Wai of the Ministry of Agriculture, and the Minister's PSO Capt. Thein Naing Tun. In Vietnam the delegation will discuss anti-narcotics matters, training of wild elephants, perennial industrial crops, livestock breeding, and opium-substitution crops. (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 19: The Minister and his delegation returned. (NLM 11/20) Nov. 21: The delegation met Nov. 9 in Hanoi with Minister of SRV Hoang Duc Nghi, and "explained the plan to assist SRV in taming wild elephants and expressed its wish to study drug abuse control measures, growing of opium poppy substitute crops, development projects for national races and ethnic villages which will attract tourists. It made a study tour of Quang Ning Province, and visited sites in Hanoi. On Nov. 14, the delegation called on the Vietnam Minister for Defence and the Vietnam Foreign Minister. The delegation was received by Vietnam Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet. Various members of the delegation met with specialists. On Nov. 16, Lt-Gen. Maung Thint and Vietnam Minister Hoang Duc Nghi signed a "document on cooperation between the two countries." After visiting a drug treatment centre, the delegation returned to Yangon on Nov. 19. (NLM 11/22)

## Rail Transport Minister to Japan

Nov. 25: A delegation led by Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein left for Japan, at the invitation of Japanese Minister of Transport Mr. Shizuka Kamei, to exchange views on transport policies. Other members were Managing Director Thura U Thaung Lwin and General Manager U Myint Wai of Myanma Railways, and the Ministers PSO U Tun Aung Kyaw. (NLM 11/26)

# Delegations Return

[Return of delegations whose departure was reported in earlier

months.]

Nov. 1: The delegation headed by Deputy Minister for Mines U Myint Thein returned from the International Symposium on Mineral Resources Development held in Seoul, Korea, Oct. 25-29. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 5: The delegation led by Minister for Trade Lt-Gen. Tun Kyi returned from a Seminar on Participation of Trade Ministers at the UN International Symposium on Trade Efficiency at Columbus, Ohio, USA, Oct. 17-21. (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 24: Editor U Thein Htut of the New Light of Myanmar and Editor Daw Mya Mya Toe of Myanma News Agency (International) returned from a five-month journalism course at the Indian Institute of Mass Communications in New Delhi, where they received diplomas. The 23rd Diploma Course in News Agency Journalism for Non-Aligned Countries was attended by 22 scholars from 19 countries. U Thein Htut received the Rajasthan Patrika Award and 1,000 rupees from Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Shri Salman Kulsheed. (NLM 11/25)

#### MYANMAR GAZETTE

Probationary Appointments

The SLORC appointed the following, on probation:

Nov. 16: Col. Tun Sein (BC/3459), Ministry of Defence, to be Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department. (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 23: U Soe Thein, General Manager, to be Managing Director, Myanma Hotels and Tourism Services, Ministry of Hotels and Tourism. (NLM 11/24)

Transfers

The SLORC transferred the following:

Nov. 23: U Myo Nyunt, Director-General of the Basic Education Department, to be Director-General, Higher Education Department, Ministry of Education. (NLM 11/24)

Appointments Confirmed

The SLORC confirmed the following appointments, after one year of probation:

## GOVERNMENT

Legal Articles

Nov. 6: Handing down deterrent punishment in drug-related offences where there is guilt established beyond reasonable doubt, by KMO. [Several examples. An important tool in the fight against narcotics.]

Nov. 23: Meting out punishment commensurate with the offence committed, by KMO. [Matching punishment to crime in drug cases.]

National Day

Nov. 26:

74th National Day Slogans

- 1. Strive for development and modernization of the State based on national unity.
- 2. Strive for all the national races to live together in weal or woe.
- 3. Strive for the emergences of an enduring new State Constitution.
  - 4. Always safeguard national honour.
- 5. Strive together for all-round economic development of the State.

74th National Day Objectives

- \* Strengthening national spirit.
- \* Forging national unity.
- \* Perpetuation of independence and sovereignty.

(NLM 11/26)

Nov. 27: National Day Message, from SLORC Chairman Senior

General Than Shwe [full text]:
To the people of all the national races,

Today is the 74th Anniversary of National Day, a day of historic importance on which the entire nation was first awakened to wage anti-colonialist and national independence struggles. The national education movement that resulted from the 1920 Rangoon University Act was the first anti-colonialist movement that made the clarion call to the entire nation to wage national independence struggles.

The national movement launched after the unilateral promulgation of the Rangoon University Act in in 1920 by the colonialists is a movement encompassing the entire nation to set the nation totally free from colonial oppression. National Day instilled in the minds of the people national pride and honour, spirit of sacrifice and spirit of national unity enabling them to win victories over the colonialists stage by stage eventually restoring independence and sovereignty to the nation.

National brethren born in the Union have been residing together sharing weal and woe with one mind since the dawn of Myanma history. The nationalist spirit is the will of the people living on the same land, drinking the same water, travelling in the same boat and embarking on the same journey to always join hands sharing weal and woe with one mind.

It is highly necessary for the national races who are national brethren to remain ever united for the eternal existence of our independent and sovereign motherland of Myanmar which was won back from the colonialists only after sacrificing many lives and shedding much blood and sweat, and for the nation's continued modernization and progress. This is a permanent requisite of each and every independent and sovereign nation.

The State Law and Order Restoration Council's most important policies of national interest are Our Three Main National Causes—non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity, and perpetuation of sovereignty. The State Law and Order Restoration Council being a body constituted based on the united Tatmadaw and [sic] has carried out tasks in full strength in the interest of the nation and all national races, holding in high esteem Our Three Main National Causes. Today, considerable success has been achieved in various aspects such as political, economic and social fields of the nation.

The State Law and Order Restoration Council gave priority to prevalence of the rule of law and ensuring peace and tranquillity after assuming State responsibilities and having achieved this it has carried on making efforts for the emergence of a stable, peaceful, modern and developed nation. As a result, political and economic stability has been ensured in the nation beginning 1992-93.

After striving for and achieving political stability, the State Law and Order Restoration Council has been convening the National Convention to lay down fundamental principles to pave the way for writing and promulgating an enduring constitution which is of vital importance to the nation. Moreover, it has laid down projects for the development of border areas and implementing them for the uplift of the living standard of all the national races; as border areas have developed, national solidarity has been further strengthened. In the meantime, work is under way for effecting national reconciliation and thus far 13 armed groups have renounced the line of armed struggle and returned to the legal fold. They are implementing regional development projects together with the Government.

At the same time, efforts are being made for allround economic development after designating 1994-95 Allround Development Year; this has led to increase commodity production and economic progress has gained momentum. Neo-colonialists and their lackeys, who would not like to see Myanmar achieve stability and peace and make progress for modernization and development, are posing a threat to national sovereignty and territorial integrity; it will be necessary to deter and combat against them with full awareness.

It is the inborn duty of each and every citizen to love the motherland and to be loyal, and the spirit of nationalism calling for protection of own race and mutual friendship and respect among the national races are like the soul essential for perpetuation of the Union. Hence, all the people of the national races of the Union are earnestly urged to hold always in esteem Our Three Main National Causes—non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity, and perpetuation of sovereignty, ensure eternal existence of the motherland as a stable, peaceful and modern nation, and carry out this task as a national responsibility with national consciousness and national conviction. (NLM 11/27)

#### MILITARY

Attacks by Armed Groups

Oct. 31: A group of "DO No. 7 battalion of the Kayin armed group" fired on, and threw a hand grenade at, people celebrating the Thadingyut festival on Oct. 18 at a monastery in Laphet village, Palaw Township [Tanintharyi], killing three and wounding seven. A Mon armed group threw a grenade Oct. 19 into a crowd at a pagoda festival in Ahsin village, Ye Township [Tanintharyi], killing one and wounding two civilians. (NLM 11/1)

Surrenders by Armed Group Members

Nov. 26: 25 members of armed groups returned to the legal fold at various Tatmadaw camps between Oct. 18-31, bringing the month's total to 49 [names and details]. [We have not located articles covering Oct. 1-17--HCMacD.]

Nov. 29: One member of the Loimaw drug trafficking group surrendered Oct. 31, two on Nov. 3, and three on Nov. 7. "Officials warm//ly welcomed them." (NLM 11/30)

## ECONOMIC

Economic Articles

Nov. 11: An auspicious reinforcement, by Thukhi Aung. [The new Kyukok Motel described.]

Nov. 12-13: An auspicious day for Myanma Airways International, by Hla Tunt (Twantay). [Inauguration of flights to Kuala Lumpur.]

Nov. 17: Importance of artificial grain dryers in harvesting off-season crop, summer paddy, by Myo Oo. ["There is a pressing need to promote the use of mechanical dryers to preserve the quality of products..."]

Nov. 19: Rakhine State & Lovely Beach "Ngapali", by Soe Naung. [Touristic wonders of Rakhine State.]

Inauguration of Economic Projects

Nov. 1: A two-storey female hostel for the aged was inaugurated at the Hninzigon Home for the Aged. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 5: The National Golf Range at the National Sports Park, Thuwunna, was inaugurated by Chairman of the National Health Committee SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 12: The Nuns Hospital Out-patient Department was inaugurated at Jivitadana Sangha Hospital in Bahan Township, Yangon. (NLM 11/13)

Nov. 13: The 35-mile Pakokku-Myaing-Myosoe section of the Pakokku-Gangaw-Kalay Railway Project was inaugurated by Minister for Rail Transportation U Win Sein. The fare will be K 8. (NLM 11/14)

Nov. 14: The Central View (Revolving) Restaurant, on the top floor of the Kamayut Department Store, was dedicated, in a benefit for the Yenatha Leprosy Hospital. "The Central View Restaurant is opened by the W & T Co. Ltd. The revolving restaurant rotates at the rate of one complete turn every 1 hour and 45 minutes and the patrons

can view the beauty of Yangon while enjoying food and drinks." (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 26: The Lai Lai Hotel, with 16 rooms, opened at 783 Maha Bandoola Street at 13th Street, in Lanmadaw Township. Rates are US\$ 70-90 (double) and US\$ 50 (single), with a suite ate US\$ 110. Karaoke is included and food and drink, payable in kyats, are available. Telephone: 25913 or 27878. (NLM 11/27)

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Nov. 11: Full page of eight advertisements under heading "Where to Dine, Stay and Go in Myanmar":

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Nov. 30: Full page advertisement for Myanmar Airways International, announcing three new flights to Bangkok, beginning Dec. 11.

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## Joint Ventures

Nov. 18: An agreement to form the joint venture Bursa Myanmar Tobacco Company Limited was signed between Bursa Tobacco Corporation of Indonesia, represented by Mr. Putera Sampoerna, and Zaykaba Co. Ltd. of Myanmar, represented by Managing Director U Khin Shwe, was signed at the May Yeik Nyo Royal Hotel, in the presence of Deputy Prime Ministers Vice-Adm. Maung Maung Khin and Lt-Gen. Tin Tun. The capital is US\$ 8 million, shared 65% by Bursa and 35% by Zaykaba, and the new company will produce cigarettes for local consumption and export. The Ministry of Industry-1 will furnish land and buildings. This is the "first-ever investment by an Indonesian company." In a separately reported news item, "Wellwisher Mrs. Kathleen C. Lian

Sampoerna" donated over K 10.15 million to social welfare institutions. (NLM 11/19)

#### Tourists & Facilities

Nov. 2: Managing Director Mr. Michael Chang and other officials discussed the future of Air Mandalay, which inaugurated service Nov. 1, at a press conference. In addition to scheduled flights [see above under Advertisements] there will be three charter flights a week, and Air Mandalay will transport tourists from Chiang Mai and Phuket. Tickets are sold in Foreign Exchange or Foreign Exchange Certificates. Fare to Mandalay from Yangon is US\$ 129. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 2: The Ayeyarwady Princess, a catamaran, multi-decker riverine cruiseship of the Barani Hotel and Trading Group Co. Ltd. was inaugurated. With 30 air-conditioned cabins, the 142 foot vessel will ply between Bagan and Mandalay. "Fully air-conditioned private rooms with all standard facilities, sumptuous buffet dining, spacious lounges and sun deck, the 50-million-kyat-vessel also offers facilities for exciting theme parties, cocktails and dinner cruises" Details available by dialing 20854/23104. (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 6: 121 tourists on a tour arranged by Seven Seas Cruise Line of the United States, arrived in Yangon on the ms Song of Flower, including 6 Australians, 3 Austrians, 2 Canadians, 3 Britons, 19 Germans, 2 Swedes, and 86 Americans. They visited the Shwedagon Pagoda and the National Museum, and purchased Mandalay beer and handicrafts worth US\$ 4,202. (NLM 11/7)

Nov. 8: The Kyukok (Pangsai) Motel on the Myanmar-China border was opened on the Restaurants and Beverage Enterprise on Nov. 7, in the presence of SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt and other dignitaries. The cost of the main building was K 55 million, and K 35 million will be spent on annexes. Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen. Kyaw Ba said the Motel "was built to enable delegates from Union of Myanmar and the People's Republic of China to hold discussions, to enable tourists, businessmen and others visiting Kyukok to stay there and thus earn more income for the country, to enable the guests to get wholesome food and drink, and to accommodate meetings, engagements and receptions." "The rates for each double room is K 600 or US\$ 9 plus K 450 or 28 yuan plus K 450." (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 24: Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen. Maung Thint met with officials to discuss "tourist attractions to be exhibited in nationalities village." He "spoke of the need to open a shop to distribute paintings, photos and pamphlets featuring national races and their traditional culture and customs which may attract tourists. He invited suggestions in selecting most attractive buildings, houses, traditional costumes and utensils of national races to be exhibited in an ethnic village." (NLM 11/25)

#### Agriculture

Nov. 3: Speaking to officials, Minister for Agriculture Lt-Gen. Myint Aung said "out of the three objectives of the ministry--surplus paddy production, sufficient edible oil production and extended cultivation of beans and pulses and industrial crops--the first and the third have already been implemented, adding the second objective, sufficient edible oil production, still remains to be accomplished.... Extending acreage and improving per-acre yield are the two main requirements for sufficient edible oil production, he said." (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 9: 350 Xingxing pumps, from Eastbourne Chemical Industry of China, arrived on the mv Sagaing Nov. 6, and will be used for cultivation of summer paddy. ( $NLM\ 11/10$ )

Nov. 15: Minister for Agriculture Lt-Gen. Myint Aung attended the reopening of the Zeyawady Sugar Mill. Built in 1983, the mill shut down in 1990 "due to lack of sugarcane and defective boilers." (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 4: A second batch of three 800-ton cargo barges built by Myanmar Shipyards (Sinmalaik) for the Machinery Import-Export Corporation of Yunnan Province (YMC) was handed over to Resident Representative Mr. Cheng Fang. (NLM 11/5) // Nov. 5: A second batch of three 100-ton cargo barges built at Ahlon Shipyard for the same buyer were launched. "After arrival of two powered-boats named Hsingalay 1 and Hsingalay 2 being built in China, the barges will ply along Chindwin River and between Mandalay and Bhamo on Ayeyarwady River." The first batch are now plying with rice and other projects in the delta. (NLM 11/6) // Nov. 26: A second contract was signed for the purchase by Myanmar of 30 vessels with US\$ 40 million interest-free loans from YMC. (NLM 11/27)

Monywa Cooperative Market Festival

Nov. 5: The Festival closed after nine days. Overall, there were sales of K 24.3 million and contracts signed for K 153.7 million. (NLM 11/6)

#### Tax Regulations

Nov. 9,10: Ministry of Finance and Revenue Notification No. 141/94 announces a plan, similar to one taken in 1990, "to provide an opportunity for those who had not declared their money and value of property at the time for various reasons and as such some of the entrepreneurs are in no position to do business and invest though they have money and property in hand." The plan allows taxpayers to declare money and property to the Township Internal Revenue Department from Nov. 9, 1994-Mar. 31, 1995 [end of the Myanmar fiscal year-- HCMacD.], and prescribes a one-time tax at rates of 10% (for money and property invested productively), 15% (money used for buildings or property for personal use), or 20% (money put in banks) on money and the value of property over K 500,000. "The granting of the above tax relaxations is meant for money and the value of property which were derived from undisclosed sources, and for which profits tax has not hitherto been paid. Therefore this notification does not cover income which have been subjected to tax." Those who fail to declare property by the deadline will be prosecuted. (NLM 11/10, full text 11/11)

Nov. 16: The Ministry of Finance and Revenue issued three notifications on payment of taxes in foreign exchange:

Notification No. 145/94 requires the cooperative and private sectors to pay commercial taxes in foreign exchange if they earn foreign exchange in their sales or services.

Notification No. 146/94 requires Myanmar citizens resident in Myanmar or abroad to pay 10 per cent of their earnings in foreign exchange as income tax, including those who rent buildings, cars, etc. in foreign exchange, or earn foreign exchange in their salaries, wages, pensions, annual payments, etc., or earn foreign exchange for their services as agents or others. Myanmar citizens employed abroad shall pay taxes to the Myanmar embassies, or if far from such, remit their earnings to the Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank which will deduct the 10 per cent and credit their account with the remainder.

Notification No. 147/94 revokes earlier notifications and three letters [not specified]. (NLM 11/17)

# Kuala Lumpur Air Service

Nov. 9: Myanma Airways International inaugurated its service to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. (NLM 11/10)

#### Banking

Nov. 15: The Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Ltd. of Singapore (OCBC) opened an agency office at 615/1 Pyay Road. Speakers included Bank Chairman Dr. Tony Tan Keng Yam and Minister for Finance and Revenue Brig-Gen. Win Tin. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 23: The Central Bank of Myanmar issued licenses on Nov. 22 to Arab Bangladesh Bank Limited, Bangladesh, and Krung Thai Bank Public Company Limited, Thailand, to open representative offices in

Yangon. Such licenses have previously been issued to 17 foreign banks (5 Singapore, 5 Thailand, 3 Malaysia, 1 each France, Indonesia, Cambodia, and Hong Kong). (NLM 11/24) Medical & Pharmaceutical Exposition Nov. 24 [advertisement]: DON'T MISS!! THE MYANMAR MEDICAL & PHARMACEUTICAL EXPO '94 The 1st International Medical Equipment & Pharmaceutical Products Expo & Symposium in Myanmar Tatmadaw Hall, Yangon 30 November-3 December 1994 10 am - 6 pm Feel the pulse of the healthcare industry and visit the first international medical exhibition to be staged in Myanmar. The expo will feature a wide array of medical equipment, pharmaceutical and healthcare products and services from Japan, Europe, United States of American [sic] and many other countries. The ideal place to purchase the latest medical and surgical equipment and products. To source agency or joint-venture partners directly from principals in the healthcare industry. In conjunction with the expo, there will be a Medical Symposium featuring medical specialists who are leading lights in their fields from within and outside Myanmar. Members of the medical fraternity including the Myanmar Medical Association are naturally part and parcel of this Expo and Symposium. Don't miss this opportunity to be part of this emerging healthcare industry. See you there!!!! Organized by Applied Investments (Asia) Pte Ltd Yangon Tel 095-1-22596 Tel (65) 2505488/2506264 Singapore Fax (65) 2536741 Gems Conference & Exhibition Management Services Pte Ltd Tel (65) 2788666 Singapore Fax (65) 2784077 In Collaboration with The Ministry of National Planning & Economic Development The Ministry of Hotels & Tourism The Union of Myanmar Economic Holding Limited Official Carrier Myanmar Airways International (NLM 11/24)Nov. 28: Attention All Doctors! First Myanmar International Medical Symposium 1994 Scientific Programme Venue: Tatmadaw Hall, U Wisara Road. Date Time Symposium Topic 30-11-94 2:00 PM I O&G/Surgery, Immunochemistry 1-12-94 8.00 AM II Orthopaedics/Surgery, Gastroenterology 2.00 PM III Orthopaedics/Surgery 2.00 PM III Neurosurgery 2-12-94 8.00 AM IV Plastic Surgery, Eye Surgery 2.00 PM V Anaesthesia 3-12-94 8.00 AM VI Cardiovascular 2.00 PM VII Magnetic Resonance Imaging All interested are welcome.

Nov. 29: A press conference was attended by Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Brig-Gen. Abel, the

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(NLM 11/29)

organizers, and others, including Dr. Fong Poh Him of Fong Plastic and Cosmetic Surgery Pte. Ltd. Over 60 companies from 14 nations will take part. (NLM 11/30)

## Rainfall in Yangon

Rainfall, in inches, at Yangon's three weather stations of Yangon Airport (YA), Kaba-Aye (KA), and Central Yangon (CY) was:

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1994, as of:
November 1 119.09 120.32 116.34
             119.09 120.32 116.34
November 15
November 30
                 120.16 120.94 116.77
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Nov. 1: Rainfall in Meiktila, Mandalay Division, during October 1994 was 1.14 inches, the lowest October figure in 45 years. (NLM 11/2)

SPORTS

## Sports Articles

Nov. 20: From Padang Manau to Peace Square, by Kyaw Soe Myint. [Backgrounder to Fifth Students' Sports Festival scheduled for Myitkyina, Kachin State, Nov. 27-Dec. 7. A 23,000 capacity outdoor stadium, and two indoor stadiums have been built.]

Nov. 20: Editorial: Significance of Sports Festival. ["Success achieved at the festival will lend proof to the fact that peace and tranquillity have actually prevailed even in the far-flung border areas and local nationals are enjoying the essence of national consolidation."]

## Myanmar Teams and Delegations

Nov. 5: Han's inspirational victory, by Tay Cheng Khoon [photocopy of article from Nov. 1 Straits Times]: [How Myanmar's Kyi Hla Han won the US\$ 400,000 Epson Singapore Open Golf Championship, "his first major title in 12 years of pro life." The crowd of 2,500 "politely cheered all the birdies and sighed sympathetically for the bogeys, {but} it was quite obvious that, in their hearts were silent prayers for Han."]

Nov. 17: A select Myanmar team led by Cmdr. Tun Oo left for Thailand to participate in the VII Thai Traditional Invitational Regatta. (NLM 11/18) // Nov. 22: The Myanmar team, which won gold in the men's 22-crew event, also won the championship cup. (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 18: A Myanmar team, led by Managing Director U Khin Shwe of Zaykaba Co. Ltd., will leave Nov. 24 for Bangkok to participate in the Bangkok Invitational Marathon on Nov. 27. The delegation will include Deputy Leader Police Lt-Col. Nyo Win, coaches U Khin Sein, U Aye Thein, and Daw Than Than, secretary U Mya Than Htaik, and marathoners Saw Nanda Hlaing, Ma Weik Pan, Aye Aye, Nu Nu Yi, Thida Cho, Than Tun Lwin, Thein Win, Myint Sein, Maung Ko, Zaw Zaw Lin, Mya Thwe, and Aung Soe Naing. (NLM 11/19) // Nov. 28: Myanmar won nine gold, two silver, and one bronze at the Marathon. Gold: Than Tun Lwin in men's under-20 half-marathon; Saw Nanda Khine in women's under-20 half-marathon; Thein Win in men's 20-29 half-marathon; Myint Sein in men's 30-39 half-marathon; Aung Soe Khaing in men's 40-49 half-marathon; Weikpan in women's 20-29 half-marathon; Aye Aye in women's 30-39 half-marathon; Zaw Zaw Lin in men's under-20 marathon; Mya Thway in men's 40-49 marathon. Silver: Maung Ko in the men's 50 and over half-marathon; Thida Cho in women's under-20 marathon. Bronze: Nu Nu Yee in women's 40-49 half-marathon. 3,240 runners from 20

countries participated, including China, Hong Kong, Kenya, Japan, Korea, Turkey, United States, Finland, India, Malaysia, Indonesia, and Thailand. (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 22: An 8-member women's rowing team led by Assistant Lecturer Daw Nanda Hmun of the University of Culture, left for Colombo, Sri Lanka, to participate in the Nov. 25-27 29th Regatta of the Far-East Rowing Federation. The team comprises coach Sgt. Nyi Maung and rowers Kaythi Shwe, Khine Khine Aye, Swe Swe Oo, Zarchi Win Thein, and Kyu Kyu Win. (NLM 11/23)

Foreign Teams and Delegations

Nov. 1: An Olympic Solidarity Volleyball Coaching Course, taught by Chinese instructors Mr. Zhang Ran and Mr. Chuanlun Liu, ended in Yangon. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 18: A three-member Chinese sports delegation led by Minister of Sports and Physical Education Commission Mr. Wu Shaozu arrived at the invitation of the Myanmar Olympic Council. (NLM 11/19) // Nov. 20: He toured Bagan and Mandalay. (NLM 11/21) // Nov. 21: After visiting the Thanlyin Kyaikkhauk Pagoda, the Yangon-Thanlyin Bridge, the National Stadium 1, the National Golf Range, and the Youth Training Centre at Thuwunna, the Minister was hosted at dinner by President of Myanmar National Olympic Committee Minister at the Prime Minister's Office Brig-Gen. Lun Maung. (NLM 11/22) // Nov. 22: The delegation was received by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. It also visited the Shwedagon Pagoda. (NLM 11/23) // The delegation visited the Myanma Emporium. Director-General Col. Tun Sein of the Sports and Physical Education Department hosted a dinner for the Chinese sports delegation, which then departed. (NLM 11/24)

SE Asia Rowing Championships

Nov. 10: The second meeting for holding the Third South-East Asia Rowing Championships was addressed by Patron of the Organizing Leading Committee SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt, who said "it would be a great change to prove Myanmar culture and traditions among foreigners on such occasion." (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 17: The Championships opened on Inya Lake in Yangon, with six nations participating: Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Myanmar. Review of Myanmar international-style rowing history over the past 70 years, under the motto "Row Till You Are Dead" of the Yangon University Boat Club. (NLM 11/18)

Nov. 18: Heats continued. General Secretary Mr. John Boultbee of the International Rowing Federation called on President Brig-Gen. Lun Maung of the Myanmar National Olympic Committee. (NLM 11/19)

Nov. 19: The Championships concluded, with prizes distributed by Patron SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt and other dignitaries, as follows [first, second, third]:

Men's Single Sculls: Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore Women's Single Sculls: Indonesia, Myanmar, Singapore Men's Double Sculls: Indonesia, Philippines, Myanmar Women's Double Sculls: Indonesia, Myanmar, Singapore Men's Coxless Pairs: Myanmar, Indonesia, Malaysia Women's Coxless Pairs: Myanmar A, Myanmar B Men's Coxed Fours: Myanmar, Singapore, Malaysia Women's Coxed Fours: Myanmar A, Myanmar B Men's Coxed Eights: Myanmar, Malaysia,

Women's Coxed Eights: Myanmar, Goodwill Team (Myanmar, Indonesia, Singapore)

Team Championship: Myanmar

Following written and oral tests, nine Myanmars were recognized by the International Rowing Federation as judges: Secretary of the Myanmar Rowing Federation Dr. Than Toe, Joint Secretary U Ohn Myint, Treasurer U Kan Zaw, Coach U San Maung, veteran YUBC members Dr. Phone Win, U Min Thu, and U Thein Nyunt Oo, and YUBC members Zeya Lin and Tun Myint. (NLM 11/20)

Nov. 26: 56,723 runners took part in the Fifth Mayor's Marathon sponsored by the Yangon City Development Committee. The runners were "blessed by unseasonal showers." Of the runners, 49,211 completed the race, in five categories: city circular relay (36 miles) -- 201; wheel-chair race (13 miles) -- 31; marathon (26 miles) -- 9,145; minimarathon (13 miles) -- 18,056; micro-marathon (8 miles) -- 21,338; members of Motion Picture, Music and Thabin Asiayone -- 440. Last year, 50,401 took part and 39,887 completed the race. Prizes were distributed. [two pages of photos] (NLM 11/27)

#### Hole-in-One

Nov. 26: U Than Lwin (Lawyer) on Nov. 24 scored an ace at the 100-yard second hole of the Dawei [Tavoy] Golf Course. (NLM 11/27)

# Student Sports Festival

Nov. 27: SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt inspected the Ministerial showrooms at the Fifth Student Sports Festival, being held this year in Myitkyina [Kachin]. The showrooms opened on Nov. 25. The Sports Festival flame, which has been transported from last year's game site in Rakhine State, arrived at the sports field. (NLM 11/28)

Nov. 28: The festival opened in Myitkyina, with an opening address by State Law and Order Restoration Council. "The programme included the free fall in which nine airmen parachuted from two helicopters at 6,000 feet to the People's Sports Ground of the Nyeinchan Tharyar Square. They received a resounding applause of the spectators. Next, athletes of the State and Division Basic Education schools, flag bearers and bands marched past the Minister for Education. At the time, over 7,000 students on the eastern stand formed the words of the respective States and Divisions and the logo of the Student Sports Festival. The last to march past the Minister for Education were nine flag bearers of SHS-4 in Myitkyina followed by 40 students in Rawang costumes. They sang the song 'Asia Myanmar' to the accompaniment of music on 12 bagpipes. The applause then reverberated. At that moment, students on the eastern stand formed 'Myanmar Sports, the World to Conquer.' The flag bearers also took their positions. Then came 200 girl students with flags of the Sports Festival entering and circling the sports ground."

In his speech, SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt noted that the 1990 festival had been held with three events in Pathein; the 1991 festival with seven events in Yangon; the 1992 festival with eight events in Taunggyi; and the 1993 festival with 10 events in Sittway. At this festival, 4,000 students would participate in 12 tournaments of 11 events. He stated the purposes of the Festival to be:

- -- To help implement the aim of the State 'Myanmar Sports--the World to Conquer';
- -- to turn out more fit and healthy students;
- -- To turn out more students with sporting spirit;
- -- To contribute to sporting movements of the State;
- -- To promote the standard of Myanmar sports and to turn out brilliant, selected Myanmar athletes; and
  - -- To further strengthen Union spirit and patriotism.

The address was followed by entertainment from large groups (800 to 1000) of students, closing with "Another 800 girls students performed demonstrations of 'Myanma Thaing' (martial arts) of Konbaung Era. Their demonstrations made the audience to keep up the patriotic spirit. This was followed by a series of dance and band groups from the different States and Divisions, and a fireworks display. [full page of photos] (NLM 11/29)

Nov. 29: Track and field events at the Festival began. Variety dances were presented by the Paoshan Cultural Troupe of Yunnan, China. (NLM 11/30)

Indigenous Medicine

Nov. 15: The Fifth paper reading session of the Department of Indigenous Medicine of the Ministry of Health opened, in the presence of Department Director-General Dr. Nyunt Lwin, Mr. Tomislav Prvulovic of WHO, and others. Minister for Health Vice-Adm. Than Nyunt explained that "the Government is giving encouragement for indigenous medicine not to become extinct but to raise its standard and to develop it...." 44 papers will be read during the two-day session. (NLM 11/16)

#### CULTURAL

Cultural and Scientific Articles

Nov. 1,8: Bagan--The Wonderland of Pagodas, by Soe Naung. [Brief survey of temples of Bagan, in the light of Visit Myanmar Year 1996.]

Nov. 5: Tourists who seek aesthetic delights, by Maung Maung, Ji Ji Press (Japan). [Rapturous account of visit to Bagan and other ancient sites in the company of the National Geographic's Peter White.]

Nov. 6,13,20,28: The Cat Family -- Small Cats, by Col. Hla Aung (Retd). [Continuation of former series. (7) Margay; European Wild Cat. (8) The African Wild Cat; Sand Cat. (9) Temminck's Cat; African Golden Cat. (10) Pallas' Cat or manul; Pampas Cat.]

Nov. 16-17: Festivals of Tazaungmon, by Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt. [(1) Monks who are eligible to receive, and receive, Kahtein {sic, usual spelling is Kathina} robes, gain five durable merits: (1) to accept invitations to the house of the donor without informing other monks; (2) monks who have resolved to possess only the three-garment robe need not carry it with them; (3) robes received can be worn without ceremony; (4) even when an invitation for food is improper, four or more monks may accept it; and (5) monks of a Monastery offered Kahtein robes may wear them. The donor attains six merits: (1) no danger of disturbances whenever he travels; (2) will receive good food and never suffer from poisoning; (3) property safe from destruction, robbery or theft; (4) will recover long forgotten property; (5) will get wealth "without much difficulty"; and (6) will "have a good look". Origins and details of Kahtein robe ceremonies described.

[(2) Further description of ceremonies.]

Nov. 29: Eventide of Tazaungmon, by Sein Myo Myint. [Visit to a display of paintings at the GV Art Centre in Golden Valley, Yangon.]

Note: NLM during November published numerous reports of Kathein robe offering ceremonies, attended by officials from SLORC Chairman Senior General Than Shwe down.--HCMacD.

# Performing Arts Competitions

Oct. 31: The Second Myanma Traditional Performing Arts Competitions closed with "Tri-yadana" songs sung by amateurs. Present were various military officials led by Patron Minister for Culture Lt-Gen. Aung Ye Kyaw, Associate Professor Mr. Fong Lung Yu and Lecturer Miss Liou Ka Po of the Kunming Fine Arts School of Yunnan Province (China), and others. The competitions began Oct. 20. Prize distributions will be televised live on Nov. 2. (NLM 11/1)

Nov. 2: Prizes were awarded, and a speech made by SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt. Prizes went to competitors from the following States/Divisions [gold, silver, bronze]: Yangon 37 35 30; Ayeyarwady 14 15 14; Mandalay 10 14 9; Magway 10 10 3; Mon 6 6 14; Sagaing 5 10 3; Rakhine 4 1 7; Shan 4 - 4; Kachin 3 2 3; Tanintharyi 2 - 2; Bago 1 5 8; Kayah 1 1 -; Chin 1 1 -; Kayin - - - (1 special prize). The Secretary-1 said: "The Government...is organizing these performing arts competitions on an extensive scale to revive, promote and propagate the existing performing arts.... He noted that entrants had to take part in competitions for which thorough selections of the classical, religious and modern songs were made portraying Myanma

cultural traditions, patriotism and national pride. Performance of the entrants has been most amazing, he said.... By reintroducing religious and patriotic songs at the competitions, he said, Myanma cultural traditions have been revived contributing towards flourishing of race, language and religion..." [two pages of photos] (NLM 11/3)

Nov. 3: Editorial: Nurture new generation of talented performers. [Summary of and praise for the Secretary-1's speech.]

Nov. 3: SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt hosted a dinner in honor of the doyen artistes and judges from the Competitions. "He noted that fine cultural traditions and performing arts, which originated from Pyu Era dating back over 2000 years, are still reviving as they have been handed down through generations. Western culture, he said, is beginning to infiltrate into Myanmar youths due to some extremely selfish entrepreneurs who run their businesses without complying with Myanma traditions. It is essential to prevent infiltration of Western culture in youths, from the stage of the mode of dresses to manners, he said, adding that it is the essence of holding Myanma Traditional Performing Arts Competitions for the youths not to forget fine cultural traditions and heritage and to prevent infiltration of alien culture...." (NLM 11/4)

#### Publications

Nov. 7: Seven Dragons Myanmar Enterprise Co. Ltd. has issued a special calendar to commemorate the Myanma Traditional Regatta Festival, which "will be distributed not only in the country but all over the world." (NLM 11/8)

Nov. 11: Selected Monthly Economic Indicators for July and August 1994, published by the Central Statistical Organization, is on sale at the Sarpay Beikman Bookshop on Merchant Street. "The publication contains export and import prices, consumers' speculation prices, gold price, productivity of goods, finance, foreign exchange rates, transport, number of tourists and employment." (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 24: The Information Subcommittee of the Tourism Industry Development Management Committee announced that Welcome Myanmar Handbook will be issued every three months, beginning in January 1995. The complimentary publication, hailing the Visit Myanmar Year 1996, will feature places of interest in Myanmar. For information: Today Media and Information Ltd., 219 Botahtaung Pagoda Road, or Tel: 93852. (NLM 11/25)

# Universities

Nov. 6: The Institute of Pharmacy held its First Convocation, with Rector U Myint Thein conferring degree certificates for the two-year course on 23 graduates. (NLM 11/7)

Nov. 12: Yangon University held its 71st Convocation, with Rector Dr. Tun Maung conferring the following degrees: MSc (157); LlM (14); BA(Hons) (146); LlB (204); BA (186); BSc (2,912). (NLM 11/13) Nov. 27: Yangon University held its 72nd Convocation, with

Nov. 27: Yangon University held its 72nd Convocation, with Rector Dr. Tun Maung conferring the following degrees: MSc (120); BSc (Hons) (96); BA (543); BSc (860). (NLM 11/28) (NLM 11/28)

#### YMCA Centenary

Nov. 5: To commemorate the Centenary of the YMCA [Young Men's Christian Association] in Yangon, sports competitions were inaugurated at its Pyinsatheinkha Hall by Rev. Smith Ngu Za and Rev. U Myint Lwin. There will be karate, kungfu, badminton, volleyball, aerobic, tug-o'-war, htoksihto, kick-boxing, boxing, cycling, basketball, wushu and physical contests until Nov. 25. (NLM 11/6)

Nov. 27: The centenary was celebrated at the YMCA building in Yangon, in the presence of Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen. Myo Nyunt, Director-General of the Department of Religious Affairs U Arnt Maung, Archbishop U A. Mya Han, and others. The Minister addressed the gathering, saying that the YMCA has been able to celebrate its Centennial in Yangon due to "fine qualities such as efforts, farsightedness, tolerance and perseverence.... He noted that the

association is found to be carrying on work for its lasting existence based on loving kindness. This is in accordance with the wishes of God. He then quoted Chapter 3, Verse 16 and Chapter 13, Verses 8, 9 and 10 of the New Testament [sic]. He said the Christian faithful celebrate Christmas every year and he has learnt that there should be the spirit of Christmas during the celebration. He said he has learnt the spirit of Christmas calls for forgiveness and love even towards the enemy and doing service to them. He quoted Chapter 23, Verse 34 in which Christ asked for forgiveness for those who caused him supreme suffering. The YMCA, he said, has functioned according to the teachings of Christ. Moreover, he said, it has sympathy not only to its members but also to the faithful of other religions. He cited as an example the message of condolence sent by the YMCA to the crematorial rites of the Secretary of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Thanlyin Minkyaung Sayadaw on 23 November. The minister then urged the YMCA to do greater service in the interest of the Union of Myanmar while abiding by the values taught by Christ." (NLM 11/28)

#### Kachin Cultural Museum

Nov. 6: SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt flew to Myitkyina to inaugurate the new Kachin State Culture Museum in Thida Ward, Myitkyina. "On the ground floor of the museum, there is a display of six figures of Kachin national groups in Kachin traditional costumes and five figures of Shan national groups in Shan national costumes. At the centre of the hall are articles used in ceremonies, household items, farm implements, weaving materials and housing models. In separate booths, documentary photos, paintings and various types of timber of Kachin State are exhibited. On the first floor of the museum, a room to keep books and reading rooms are on the right, and musical instruments, handicraft and weapons of Kachin national groups, and artifacts, farm implements and shoulder bags of the Tai Hkanti national group are on the left. The museum is a modern structure which is 120 feet by 80 feet. It is a two-storey prestressed concrete building for which State funds amounting to K 15.123 million were used." (NLM 11/7)

## Literary Awards

Nov. 16: The winners of the 1993 Sarpay Beikman Manuscript Awards were [not all prizes awarded]:

Novels: Second Prize: Myanma Mokesoe by Po Kyawt. Third Prize: Apeh-Amwe by Than Swe Thit.

Short Stories: Second: Ngataw Ngalon by Twingyi Wan Maung. Third: Yaukkyar-thar-doh-amay and other short stories [author not mentioned].

Belles Lettres: First: Aggan-taungga-maung-thant-htakhe by Tin Myint. Second: Gondoh-htarnay Kyaungton-myay by Kanbawza Nu Khin. Third Hmyaw-lint-gyin-khayee-the by Aung Ko Myint.

Translation: First: Bawa-soe-dar-dilo-bar by Ko Kyi (Pyin-On-Lwin).

Children's Literature: Second: Natha-pan-khin by Than Aung (Ahnyar-myay).

Youth's Literature: First: Pansuwai Lunge-wuthtu-domyar by Yawnaka Po Htaung. Second: Laybay-koe-letma-auk Wuthtu-domyar [author not stated].

Myanma Culture and Art: First: Myanma-shwe-hintha by Htwe Sanda. Second: Myanma Kanoke-pan by Maung Yin Hlaing (Pyinmamyine). Third Anu-pyinnar-pan Ngwe-padein-lok-ngan by Hmatkyauk.

General Knowledge (Arts): First: Myanmar Naing-Ngan Myaykhunthamaing by Tun Aung Kyaw. Second: Sunthit-larthi Thway-chin-doh-ei Kabaw by Maung Win Nyein (Sagaing). Third: Gaung-saung-Hmu-pyinnar by U Hla Min (Central Institute of Civil Service).

General Knowledge (Science): First: Thetshi-doh-go Phansinthu Biza by Dr. Myint Than. Second: Taung-tet-let-swai by Col. Hla Aung (Ret.). Third: Hmway Hmway Kyine Kyine by Maung Kyi Thant.

Poems: First: Tein-sin-la-yet Ah-hla-nyin by Myaylat Maung

Myint Tin. Second: Bawa-adeik-be Hnit Achar Gabyamyar by Shwe Dah Maung Lay Yi. Third: Chinthe-si Hnit Theingi Shwegwet Gabyamyar by Aphyaukmye Maung Swe Mon. (NLM 11/17)

Nov. 17: The 1993 National Literary Awards, selected by the National Literary Award Scrutiny and Selection Committee of the Ministry of Information, were announced:

Novel: Mya-sein-pyar Kamar-yut by Nu Nu Yi (Innwa). Short Stories: Equator Padauk and other stories, by Dr. Ye

Naing.

Poem: Ma-net-phyan Atwet Hla-let-saung by Poet Naung.

General Science [sic] (Arts): Myanma Zartiman Abhidan by

Thekkatho [sic] Tinkha.

Belles Lettres: Pakokku U Ohn Pe Ei Bawakhayi-hnit Aungmyin-nee
Atway-akyone-mya by Tekkatho Sein Tin.

Myanmar Culture and Art: Payasa-htoke-gyi-hma Sutaung-sarmya by Shwebo Mi Mi Gyi.

General Knowledge (Science): Myanma Kyauk-sein by Geology Professor U Nyan Thin.

General Knowledge (Applied Science): Yaycho Pazundoke-gyi Lettway Tharphauk-pyusu-nee Hnint Athar-toe-mway-mya-nee by Aung Kyi (MSc).

Political Literature: Wuntho Sawbwagyi U Aung Myat by Maung Kyaw Shin.

Winners receive a cash award of K 50,000. No awards were made in the literary play, literature, children's literature, youth literature, or translations categories. (NLM 11/18)

Nov. 24: Prizes were distributed at the Fifth Literary and Photo Competition sponsored by the Leading Committee for Writing National Mottos, the Second Literary and Cartoon Competition sponsored by the Information Subcommittee of the Committee for Promotion and Propagation of Patriotism, and the 1994 Myawady Press Annual Photo Competition. SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt spoke and distributed prizes. He noted the foundation of the 24-member Leading Committee for Writing National Mottos on Mar. 16, 1989 with the aims of "promoting the sacrificing spirit in safeguarding independence, reviving patriotic spirit and national fervour and promoting self-reliant spirit," and the 12-member Committee for Promotion and Propagation in the Public on Sept. 24, 1990. He said that "literary, performing arts and general knowledge contests are organized with the following objectives:

- -- to vitalize patriotism and imbibe love for own country;
- -- to contribute towards strengthening unity among national races;
- -- to equip the people with good character and ethical
- -- to contribute towards perpetuation of national sovereignty, securing peace and tranquillity and nation-building tasks; and
- -- to imbibe the spirit to vitalize national culture and preserve cultural heritage."

Prizes were awarded in the Literary Competition as follows (names and noms de plume):

Magazine Novel: First: Khin San Mon (Daw Myint Myint Khin). Second: U Kyaw (Maung Yin Hlaing-Pyinma Myaing). Third: U Aung Min Naing (Aung Myat Nyo). Fourth: Maj. Tin Soe (Gon Linn Kyaw).

Magazine Short Story: First: U Thaung Shwe (Kaytu Maung Nyo Lin). Second: U Tin Hla (Chan Myay Oo-Palaw). Third: U Thein Soe (Min Chan Mon). Fourth: Sgt. Aye Myo Kyi (Aye Myo Kyi).

Poetry: First: U Tun Shwe (Tekkatho Sann). Second: Lt-Col. Ko Ko (Ko-Tekkatho). Third: Sgt. Clerk Tun Thein (Pinlebu Khant Chaw). Fourth: WO II Moe Aung (Maung Maung Moe Aung).

Article: First: Maj. Tin Soe (Gon Linn Kyaw). Second: U Thein Soe (Min Chan Mon). Third: U Hla Myint (Hla Myint--Yangon University). Fourth: Daw Khin Mar Kyi (Khin Khin Kyaw).

Prizes were also distributed in general knowledge contests, photo contests, etc.  $\$ 

Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Lt-Gen. Maung Thint presented prizes in the Literary and Cartoon Competition, as follows:

Novel: First: U Myo Win (Maung Khit Wai). Second: U Tin Linn Aung (Tin Linn Aung). Third: U Hlaing Win (Tekkatho Maung Thu Hlaing). Fourth: U Thein Myint Tun (Ko Ko Lay). Fifth (U Win Myint (Hlaing Win Swe).

Collected Short Stories: First: Daw Myint Myint Khin (Khin San Mon). Second: U Nay Oo (Ko Nay-Kawlin). Third: Daw Naing Tin Yi (Tekkatho Naing Phyu Phyu Tun). Fourth: Dr. Daw Tin Tin (Min Leh Yi).

Minister for Hotels and Tourism Lt-Gen. Kyaw Ba presented prizes for manuscripts, as follows:

Poetry Manuscript: First: U Myo Htay (Win Nwe--Forestry). Second: U Thein Soe (Min Chan Mon). Third: U Javana (Dhammacariya) (Zarni). Fourth: Maj. Than Aye (Salin Phone Kyaw). Fifth: U Ohn Thaung (Maung Ohn Thaung--Magway).

Treatise Manuscript: First: U Thaung Lwin (Maung Kyi Thant). Second: U Aung Soe (Aung Soe--Veterinary Surgeon). Third: U Win Myint (Hlaing Win Swe). Fourth: Dr. Tin Shwe (Sayawun Tin Shwe). Fifth: U Kyaw Shin (Maung Kyaw Shin.)

Prizes were also presented for cartoons and photographs. [full page of photos] (NLM 11/25)

#### Film Entered in Festival

Nov. 17: The Myanmar film Dandayi (Legend) is entered in the Pacific Film Festival 94 to be held in Omiya, Japan. Director (Production) U Win Myint of the Motion Picture Enterprise and star May Than Nu left for Japan to attend. (NLM 11/18)

# Buddhist Dictionary

Nov. 18: A meeting was held, chaired by Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen. Myo Nyunt, to discuss "completion of an English-Myanmar-Pali dictionary of Buddha's discourses." It is to be completed within three months. (NLM 11/19)

# Shwebo Palace Restoration

Nov. 20: SLORC Secretary-1 Lt-Gen. Khin Nyunt attended the foundation-stone-laying for the restoration of the Shwebon Yadana Mingala Palace in Shwebo [Sagaing], originally built by King Alaungphaya. (NLM 11/21)

## Monastic Schools

Nov. 26: Speaking at the 15th meeting of the Third State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee, Minister for Religious Affairs Lt-Gen. Myo Nyunt said that 1,123 monastic education schools have been opened, and have 53,585 pupils. (NLM 11/27)

#### MISCELLANEOUS

# Sunday and Holiday Supplements

Nov. 6,13.20,27: Towards a modern nation through all-round development, by Warazein. [Cont. (16-19) [The Important Transport Sector: (iii) Myanma Airways; Myanma Shipyard; Institute of Marine Technology. The last trained 18,477 seamen in 36 courses between 1991-93. Livestock Breeding and Fisheries Enterprise as another Economic Force: (i) Fish production (fresh water/sea fish) in million viss: 1991-92 103.6/361.5; 1992-93 121.9/366.3; 1993-94 (est.) 132.5/390.7. Licensed fish ponds in acres: 1988-89 6,456; 1991-92 40,913.8; 1992-93 42,079.8; 1993-94 55,732.9. Action against poachers, in number of vessels: 1991-92 97; 1992-93 79; 1993-94 13. Foreign fish operations: 1991/92; 1992/93; 1993/94:

License fees: US\$ 5,322,874; 3,581,998; 2,900,800 Registration fees: US\$ 11,400; 14,500; 4,400 Fines: US\$ 381,817; 812,182; 789,200

Sale of vessels: US\$ 214,000 + K 2.15 million; US\$ 1,533,709 + K 300,000; US\$ 228,000 + K 28 million.

Livestock Breeding: scientific work described. (ii) Statistics, etc., on various activities, including bee-keeping.

Performance of the Trade Sector: (i) Review of State trade targets and statistics. Ministry of Trade organization performance for the three years 1991-92, 1992-93, and 1993-94 with {percentage of planned target} were (in million kyats):

Home Procurement: 6,902 {107%}, 7083 {93%}, 11,483 {150%}. Foreign Procurement: 274 {65%}, 236 {50%}, 289.1 {60%}.

Home (marketing): 6,911 {80%}, 7,527 {88%}, 7,589.5 {74%}. Foreign (export marketing): 277 {58%}, 305 {69%}, 339.2 {117%}.

Milling and Processing: 3,708 {79%}, 4,308 {102%}, 4,225.3 {92%}.

Investments: 502 {220%}, 225 {161%}, 185.8 {119%}.

Border Trading Posts--Licenses issued, and value in US dollars, 1991-92, 1992-93, 1993-94:

Normal Trade:

Imports: 155 (21.43), 506 (97.78), 369 (39.51).

Exports: 42 (4.55), 240 (26.77), 49 (5.92).

Border Trade Transactions:

Imports: 7,466 (39.59), 13,959 (60.64), 17,952 (521.58).

Exports: 11,056 (67.97), 17,876 (65.80), 6,830 (245.24).

Nov. 6,13,20,27: Factories and the GEC, by Ahtet Minhla Nyunt Aung. [Cont. (3) Factories and shops of the GEC {Government Employees Cooperative (4) Trading and staff. In the Yangon East District GEC, regular monthly sales to members, at "cheap prices," are: 4 pyis of rice (Emahta 25%), 1 bottle of kerosene, 2 bars of Shwewah Soap, and 2 packets of candles. (5) Further information on Yangon East and West Districts. (6) South District. Cocoa Island Township.]

Nov. 6: -- Zeechaung Hydel Power Plant to bring electricity to Kalay Township, by Win Myint (Insein). [Project that will produce 4.3 million KWH, with generators having a capacity of 1,200 KW.]

- -- World food and Ayeyarwady, rice bowl of Myanmar, by Thaung Nyunt (Pyapon). [Importance of the Division for paddy.]
- Moekwe Creek renovated with people's might, by Tin Win (Yesagyo). [Voluntary labour from 98,532 dug 42,385 sundrums of earth to dig a ditch 30 feet wide, 10 feet deep, and 11.86 miles long.]
- -- Demonstration on efficiency of farm machines, by Mawgyun Myint Aung. [Demonstration of power tillers in Mawlamyinegyun Township {Ayeyarwady}.]
- -- Storing water for final supply to monsoon crops and supplementary supply for winter crops, by Nyein Aung (Taze). [Importance of storing water since monsoon officially ended on Oct. 3.]
- Nov. 13: -- Visit Myanmar Year and the Hotel Industry, by U Oo Myat Oo. [Study trip of hotels in Philippines. "In my view, quests who will be visiting Myanmar would be coming out of a suffocating atmosphere in the perpetual shadow of sky-scrappers {sic} where robotic human being move about in frenzy and roads are congested with never ending lines of motor vehicles. They should be pleasantly surprised on arrival in Myanmar to find an altogether different kind of atmosphere including resonal {sic} relationships. If only hoteliers are able to exploit that advantage by providing complete hospitality and a warm personal relationship (which includes polite behaviour and polite speech even in the most trivial matters), no guest will ever be able to forget Myanmar afterwards."]
- -- The banks of Hline River to be decorated with green fields, by Aung San (Agriculture). [Boat trip along Hline River, visiting voluntary labour on irrigation projects.]
- -- Ngamoeyeik Dam for preventing floods and supplying water in summer, by Tin Hlaing (Dawbon). [6,100 foot earth dam project in Hlegu Township, Yangon Division.]
- Mann Myanma Traditional Regatta Festival, by Thein Htun (Physics). [Third Mandalay festival on Meiktila Lake.]
- Nov. 20: -- Let us breed fresh water prawns, by Thein Mya Lwin. [Discussion of shrimp breeding.]
- King Thibaw and 'The Times', by Toe Hla. [How the London Times deliberately humiliated Burma in its coverage of King Thibaw's

ascent to power.]

- Goodwill railroad brings joy to national brethren, by Myo Kyaw Aung. [Travel over the "Pyidaungsu Railroad" built in 1991-93 from Aungban-Pinlaung-Loikaw, built "with the labour contributed by the national brethren and the Tatmadawmen in the region."]
- Greening the Sagaing Hills, by Kyu Kyu Thinn. [Reforestation project.]

Nov. 27: -- Ngantzin Dam which will benefit agriculture, by Kyaw Sint (Pyawbwe PPRD). [2,000 foot dam project in Pyawbwe Township, that will irrigate 1,000 acres.]

- Boosting paddy production for self-sufficiency, by Min Soe. [New rice varieties.]
- Agriculture as a national development endeavour, by Nyein Aung (Daze). [Overall agricultural plans.]
- Electricity as a perpetual need, by Myint Thura. [New generating equipment arriving in Yangon. "These are good news for residents of Yangon who have now to make do with intermittent power supply. It is clear that the government is doing everything possible to extend supply of electricity."]

#### Crime

Nov. 4: 40 antiques from the Konbaung and Yadanabon Periods were seized Sept. 23 in Mayangon Township [Yangon] as they were about to be sent to Kawkareik; on Nov. 4 they were turned over to the Department of Archaeology. (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 12: Ancient sculptures from the Innwa Era (2 sacred images and 4 wood sculptures of the five disciples) were seized Oct. 29 in Ayethayar Myothit. A woman pickpocket who frequented university campuses was arrested Nov. 7. (NLM 11/13)

Nov. 22: The Pabedan Township Court on Oct. 25 sentenced seven persons to from 3 months to one year "rigorous imprisonment" for printing and publishing pornographic books. 80 books and copying materials were seized. An eighth person is being tried by juvenile court. (NLM 11/23)

# Anti-Narcotics Activities

Nov. 3: Mandalay Railway Police on Oct. 11 seized 1 gram of heroin. (NLM 11/4)

Nov. 11: 90 bottles of Phensedyl were seized Sept. 19 in Monywa. 169 bottles of Phensedyl were seized Oct. 21, also in Monywa. (NLM 11/12)

Nov. 14: During October 1994, the Tatmadaw seized 81 kilos of opium, 0.35 kilo of heroin, 14.3 kilos of marijuana, and 2.5 litres of Phensedyl. The Police seized 22.1 kilos of opium (41 cases), 3.4 kilos of heroin (117 cases), 29.7 kilos of marijuana (38 cases), 82.4 litres of Phensedyl (18 cases), and 0.03 kilo of opium oil (4 cases). There were 181 cases of failure to register and 7 other cases. Police opened 406 cases, and arrested 579 persons, including 88 women. Police and Tatmadaw jointly seized 3.2 kilos of heroin (7 cases), kilos of opium (3 cases), and 27.5 litres of Phensedyl (2 cases). "Out of many cases in October, 7.46 kilos of opium and one kilo of heroin were seized in Mohnyin Township, 4.46 kilos of marijuana in Pyay and 169 bottles of 125-ml Phensedyl in Monywa." (NLM 11/15)

Nov. 22: 3.6 kilos of raw opium were seized in Kengtung. 70 bottles of Phensedyl were seized from bus passengers between Monywa and Mandalay. 6.2 kilos of heroin were seized Sept. 27 in Kamaing Township [Kachin]. Mandalay railway police on Nov. 7 seized 9.8 kilos of opium, and 2 kilos of raw opium. (NLM 11/23)
Nov. 23: Between Nov. 8-20, 370 acres of poppy plantations were

destroyed in Pinlaung Township, Shan State. (NLM 11/24)

Nov. 27: Between Nov. 8-22, 462.32 acres of poppy plantations were destroyed in Pinlaung Township, Shan State. (NLM 11/28)

#### Obituaries

[English language obituaries only; there are obituaries in Burmese as well.

Oct. 8: Ganesh Bhatt, Proprietor of Kambawza Sweetmeat Confectionery, died in Taunggyi, aged 54. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 3: U Aye Thaung, a Peasant delegate to the National Convention from Thazi Township, Mandalay Division, died in Yangon General Hospital, aged 72. (News article, (NLM 11/5)

Nov. 4: Mr. A.E. Baroni, husband of Mrs. I Baroni, died in Yangon, aged 80. [Christian] (NLM 11/5) Nov. 7: Pu That Vung died, aged 90 [most of text in Burmese]

(NLM 11/9)

Nov. 7: Thomas D. Samuels, BSc (Eng), Ret. Chief Accountant, SAS, died in Yangon, aged 72. [Christian] (NLM 11/9)

Nov. 8?: Anthony Raj. [Christian] [acknowledgement of Nov. 9 funeral (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 9: Mrs. Noreen Ba Kyi, wife of U Ba Kyi, died in Yangon, aged 72. (NLM 11/11)

Nov. 18: U Han Tin, Executive Director (Retd), Central Bank of Myanmar, husband of Daw Htwe, died in Yangon, aged 74. (NLM 11/19) Nov. 20: U Chit Ko Ko, husband of Daw Khin Win Yi, died in Yangon, aged 57. (NLM 11/23)

Nov. 26: Daw Khin Mya Thein, wife of Col. Khin Nyo (Retd), died in Yangon, aged 73. (NLM 11/27)

Nov. 26: Daw Hla Kyi (Yamethin), relict of Dr. U Ko Gyi, died in Yangon, aged 86. (NLM 11/28)

## Earthquakes

Oct. 31: An earthquake of strong intensity (6.4 Richter) was recorded at 18.22.26 local time, with epicentre about 1,583 miles SE of Yangon. (NLM 11/2)

Nov. 15: An earthquake of strong intensity (6.5 Richter) was recorded at 01.49.54 local time, with epicentre about 1,865 E of Yangon. (NLM 11/16)

Nov. 16: An earthquake of moderate intensity (5.0 Richter) was recorded at 02.52.11 local time, with epicentre 998 miles NE of Yangon. (NLM 11/17)

# Flood Damage

Nov. 13: Deputy Minister for Construction U Aung San inspected a 48-mile section of the Meiktila-Taunggyi-Kengtung road, "destroyed for two days in October by flash floods, the worst ever in 100 years." The road will be put in service again on Nov. 14, a fraction of the estimated five and a half months repair time. (NLM 11/14)

# Funeral of Sayadaw

Nov. 23: The final rites and cremation of the late Secretary Sayadaw of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Chairman of the Central Administrative Body of the State Pariyatti Sasana Tekkathos Leading Padhana Nayaka of Thanlyin Minkyaung Pathamabyan Sarthintaik Agga Maha Pandita (Agga Maha Akyaw) Bhaddanta Vannasiri were held in Thanlyin [Syriam], in the presence of SLORC Chairman Senior General Than Shwe and many other officials. [full page of photos] (NLM 11/24)

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