

THE NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR (Tuesday 30 Dec, 1997)

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YANGON, 28 Dec-The State Peace and Development Council Chairman's Trophy Golf Tournament was held at Defence Services Golf Course in Mingaladon yesterday morning.

Present were Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe, Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council General Maung Aye, Secretary- 1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt, Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Secretary-3 Lt-Gen Win Myint, Deputy Prime Ministers Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin and Lt-Gen Tin Tun, members of the State Peace and Development Council, Ministers, senior officers of the Ministry of Defence, Deputy Ministers, officials and golfers of various ministries.

Chairman Senior General Than Shwe took part in the tournament.

The golf tournament continued for the second and final day this morning.

Senior General Than Shwe, accompanied by Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council General Maung Aye, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt and Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo, on arrival at the golf course at 6.55 am, was welcomed by Secretary-3 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Win Myint, Deputy Prime Ministers Vice-Admiral Maung Maung Khin and Lt-Gen Tin Tun, members of the State Peace and Development Council, Ministers and officials.

Senior General Than Shwe took part in the tournament and left the golf course

at 11.45 am.

Prize-distribution ceremony of the golf tournament was held at 5 pm. The Secretary-1, on behalf of Senior General Than Shwe, presented the State Peace and Development Council Chairman's Trophy to the Ministry of Defence team.

The Secretary- 1 also presented prizes and trophies to the first, second and third prize winning teams in handicap and scratch plays.

In team's handicap play, Ministry of Defence was first with 626 points, Ministry of Home Affairs second with 684 and Ministry of Forestry with 693.

In team's scratch play, Ministry of Defence was first with 842 points, Ministry of Home Affairs second with 900 and Ministry of Finance and Revenue third with 901.

In individual handicap, Major Aung Zaw Win of Ministry of Defence was first with 103 points, Captain Myint Han of Ministry of Defence second with 104 and Major Aung Khin of Ministry of Defence third with 104.

In individual scratch, Major Aung Zaw Win of Ministry of Defence was first with 139 points, Captain Myint Han of Ministry of Defence second with 140 and Major Aung Khin of Ministry of Defence third with 140.

(2) More primary schools getting new buildings

YANGON, 28 Dec Chairman of the Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt this afternoon inspected newly-built Basic Education Primary Schools No 42, 24 and 16 in Thakayta Township.

On arrival at BEPS No 42 in Toeche- 1 Street in Ward-2 (North), Thakayta Township, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt was welcomed by Minister for Education U Than Aung, Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, officials of the Office of the State Peace and Development Council, department heads, district, township and ward authorities, the director-general of the Basic Education Department and officials, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, the township education officer, Headmaster U Kyaw Myaing and teachers, members of Parent-Teacher Association and school children.

The Secretary- 1 was briefed by the headmaster on the number of pupils and teachers, academic work, welfare and the new school buildings.

The Secretary-1 gave instructions.

Chairman of Yuzana Construction Group U Htay Myint presented K 100,000 for the trust fund of PTA of BEPS No 42.

Director-General of the Basic Education Department U Bo Win accepted the donation.

Officials of Yuzana Construction Group presented two sets of school uniforms for each of the teachers to Headmaster U Kyaw Myaing.

Then, the Secretary-1 and party inspected the school building and the new building constructed by Yuzana Construction Group.

Yuzana Construction Group provided K 10,685,105 for the school furniture, stationery, reconstruction of the school building and construction of a new building of BEPS No 42.

(3) Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy, Air), wellwishers donate dry rations to Khayan Pali Tekkatho Kainggon Kyaungtaik

YANGON, 28 Dec Families of Tatmadaw (Army, Navy, Air) and wellwishers donated dry rations to Khayan Pali Tekkatho Kainggon Kyaungtaik and ceremony to share merits for completion on construction of Pariyatti Banaka three-storey building at the Kyaungtaik this morning attended by Secretary-2 of the State Peace and Development Council Chief of Bureau of Special Operation and Chief of Staff (Army) Lt-Gen Tin Oo.

Present also were Minister at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung, Deputy Minister for Education Brig-Gen Soe Win Maung, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Brig-Gen Maung Kyi, senior Tatmadaw officers of (Army, Navy, Air), Officer on Special Duty at the Office of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Col Than Tint, heads of departments, departmental officials of Yangon South District and Township. members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, Red Cross Society and Auxiliary Fire Brigade, wellwishers and local residents.

First, opening ceremony of Pariyatti Banaka threestorey building was held.

Director-General of Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana U Sann Lwin and Secretary of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Lt-Col San Ma Tu formally opened the building.

Then, dry rations donation ceremony was held at the new building.

Presiding Sayadaw of Pali Tekkatho Kainggon Kvaungtaik Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Kelasa administered the Five Precepts and members of the Sangha recited the parittas.

The Secretary-2 and party offered alms to the Sayadaws.

On behalf of the wellwishers, Deputy Adjutant-General Col Ye Tun, Captain Naval Staff Captain Kyi Min, Officiating Colonel Air Staff Lt-Col Nyan Tun Aung and Chairman of Myanmar Edible Oil Dealers Association U Than Oo

presented dry rations to Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Kelasa.

The Secretary-2 looked into the requirements and spoke of the need to discharge the assigned duty for the peace and development nation.

(4) Chief of OSS sees off Military Attaches, families

YANGON, 29 Dec - Chief of the Office of Strategic Studies of the Ministry of Defence and Director of Defence Services Intelligence Lt-Gen Khin Nyunt and officials saw off Military Attaches of various Embassy in Myanmar and their families at Yangon International Airport at 7.30 am today.

The Military Attaches and their families led by Head of Department of the Office of Strategic Studies of the Ministry of Defence Col Thein Swe and Dean of Military Attache Corps Japanese Military Attache Col Akira Sato, left here for Taninthayi Division to visit interesting places in Coastal Region Command and SouthEast Command.

(5) Secretary-2 inspects industrial zone in Dagon Myothit (South)

YANGON, 29 Dec - Patron of the Myanma Industrial Development Committee Secretary-2 of the State and Peace Development Council Lt- Gen Tin Oo this afternoon inspected industries of the Industrial Zone in Yangon Myothit (South).

Accompanied by Minister for Cooperatives U Aung San, Chairman of Myanma Industrial Development Committee Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung, Ministers at the Office of the Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung and Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo arrived at Soe Electrical Equipment Co Ltd of Industrial Zone in Dagon Myothit (south) at 11.30 am.

They were welcomed there by Minister for Electric Power Maj-Gen Tin Htut, Deputy Minister for Industry-1 Col Than Zin, Deputy Minister for Industry-2 U Thein Tun Deputy Minister for Science and Technology Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko and officials.

First, Managing Director of Soe Electrical Equipment Co Ltd U Soe Tint briefed the Secretary-2 on production of transformers, dynamoes and motors, manufactured by Soe Electrical Equipment Co Ltd and other matters.

Then, Ministers U Thaung, Maj-Gen Tin Htut, Brig-Gen Lun Maung and officials gave supplementary reports on industries.

The Secretary-2 looked into the requirements and inspected renovation and production of transformers.

The Secretary-2 and party also inspected PVC Pipe Factory, Roofing Sheets Factory and Production of tiles.

Then, he met entrepreneurs of the industrial zone.

Those incharge of the zone and entrepreneurs briefed the Secretary-2 on industrial work, requirement on Industrial work, requirement of electricity, finance, raw materials and license and extension of roads.

Then, Ministers U Thaung, Maj-Gen Tin Htut and Brig-Gen Lun Maung and Deputy Minister U Thein Tun presented sectorwise reports.

Then, Secretary-2 Lt-Gen Tin Oo spoke of the need to provide the current and long-term requirements and urged the entrepreneurs to make efforts for the development of industries with the help of the support.

(6) Myanmar Women's Development Association (Wingaba) observes Golden Jubilee

YANGON, 29 Dec -The Golden Jubilee of Myanmar Women 's Development Association (Wingaba) was observed on the premises of the Association on Wingaba Road, Bahan Township, this morning.

It was attended by Secretary-2 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Oo, Minister for Cooperatives U Aung San, Minister for Science and Technology U'Thaung, Ministers at the Office of Prime Minister Brig-Gen Lun Maung and Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister for Labour U Kyaw Aye, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs U Aung Khin, Deputy Minister for Home Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Brig-Gen Maung Kyi, Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office and departments, those who provided assistance for progress of the Association, the chairpersons of various associations, the Chairperson of Myanmar Women's Development Association (Wingaba) and members, wellwishers and guests.

(7) Minister looks into rubber plantations in Hlegu Township, Ngamoeyeik Reservoir

YANGON, 29 Dec-Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Nyunt Tin this morning went to Ngahsutaung Camp of the Myanma Perennial Plants Enterprise in Hlegu Township, Yangon Division and inspected rubber plantations there.

Managing Director U Tun Than of Myanma Perennial Plants Enterprise briefed the Minister on establishment of 9,000-acre Rubber Special Zone at Ngahsutaung in

Hlegu Township, progress of work done by private entrepreneurs and nurturing of the plants.

The Minister told those in charge to see that the project is fully implemented in the special zone, fire prevention measures taken and private investments are not harmed.

He then inspected various types of rubber plantations.

He proceeded to Ngamoeyeik Reservoir where he was briefed by Director U Tin Maung Win of the Irrigation Department on water storage, irrigation network, irrigated acreage and water supply for cultivation of summer paddy.

The Minister then called on the personnel to strengthen and maintain the reservoir, keep proper flow of water in the irrigation canals and minimize wastage of water. He inspected the control tower, the spillway, water storage and water supply.

He later inspected the 125-acre rubber plantation of Myanmar Perennial Plants Enterprise near the reservoir.

(8) Pontoon bridges of Yangon Port inspected, passenger safety and convenience stressed

YANGON, 20 Dec-Minister for Transport Lt-Gen Tin Ngwe this morning inspected pontoon bridges at Yangon Port. He first arrived at the Nanthida Hall at Pansodan Street and he was welcomed by Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Myint and officials of the Ministry of Transport, Managing Director of Myanmar Port Authority Col Thein Htay and officials, Managing Director of Inland Water Transport U Tun Aung Myint and officials.

The minister was then briefed on location of the pontoon bridges and their uses by Col Thein Htay. U Tun Aung Myint also reported to him on the pontoon bridges used by IWT and individual jetties used by local vessels.

The minister next inspected the pontoon bridges at the Central Fish Depot in Kyimyindine, Kyimyindine Market, Bagaya and Hlwazindan. He gave instructions on repair and fire prevention measures to be carried out.

The minister and officials proceeded to Lanmadaw Jetty where they were welcomed by General Manager U Aye Min and Division Manager U Than Maung of IWT. In the meeting room of the Division Manager, U Than Maung explained functions of the Delta Branch to the Minister. U Tun Aung Myint and U Than Maung then conducted the Minister a tour of the pontoon bridges where delta area vessels anchored, ticket sales centre and the passenger point.

The minister told the personnel to make arrangements for safety of passengers, their convenience and comfort as well as providing medical care in

emergencies.

The minister also inspected the Pansodan Health Jetty and Botahtaung Township Jetty. He then went to Nyaungdan Jetty in Pazundaung Township and gave instructions.

(9) Kayin New Year Day celebrated in Insein, Ahlon, North Okkalapa

YANGON, 29 Dec-The Kayin New Year Day for the year 2737 was celebrated in Insein, Ahlon and North Okkalapa townships with the sponsorship of the Central Committee for Observance of Kayin New Year Day (Yangon) today.

A ceremony to observe Kayin New Year Day was held at Maha Hsaywingaba Arlein Ngahsint in Insein Township this morning.

Kayin national flag was hoisted at 6 am.

After saluting the Union Flag and Kayin national flag, the guests and Kayin nationals chanted Kayin national song.

Kayin New Year Day talks were held at 6.45 am.

Chairman of the Central Committee Professor Saw Simon Tha and Professor Naw Mu Mu Aye spoke.

Afterwards, Vice-Chairman of the Central Committee Phado Saw Sein Tun read the Central Committee's EC report.

Later, Nant Marlar Aye, Nant Kabya Thwe and Naw Tamla Soe extended greetings in three Kayin dialects.

Officials presented prizes to the Kayin national pupils who passed the 1997 Basic Education High School Examination with distinctions.

Kayin New Year Day was celebrated with many festivities at Maha Hsaywingaba Arlein Ngahsint, and cultural exhibition was also opened there.

Ahlon

Kayin New Year Day was observed at Pwo Kayin Baptist Church on Minye Kyawswa Street, Ahlon Township, this morning.

It was attended by the patrons of the Committee for Organizing the Ceremony in Ahlon and Kyimyindine Townships, Chairman of the Executive Committee Saw Hok Swan Maw and members, members of various subcommittees, Kayin nationals of Ahlon and Kyimyindine townships and guests.

At the flag-hoisting ceremony, those present saluted the Union Flag and Kayin national flag.

Later, Saw Lun Tin delivered Kayin New Year Day address.

Mahn Kyaw San Win, master of ceremonies, read out the message sent by the Central Committee for Observance of Kayin New Year Day in Yangon.

Talks on the origin of Kayin New Year Day and Kayin culture, traditions and literature were given by Kayin nationals.

North Okkalapa

Kayin nationals of North Okkalapa Township celebrated Kayin New Year Day at the 39th ceremony at the sports ground on Nweni Street, Nga Ward, this morning.

The flag-hoisting ceremony was held at 6 am.

Nant Yin Yin Mya read out the message sent by the Central Committee.

Papers on Kayin culture were read in Kayin dialects and in Myanmar.

The ceremony concluded with chanting of Kayin national song.

The public was entertained to Kayin don dance.

(10) First batch of 24 coaches for MR arrive

YANGON, 29 Dec Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thaung Lwin inspected unloading of coaches from mv Southgate at No 5 Sule Wharf this morning.

The coaches for Myanmar Railways were carried by mv Southgate from Bar Port in Yugoslavia and Il'ychevsk Port in Ukraine Republic.

The deputy minister was welcomed by Managing Director of Myanmar Railways U Kyaw San, general managers of Myanmar Five Star Line and MR and officials.

The deputy minister spoke of checking of parts of the coaches and making arrangements for running of express freight train.

MR purchased 402 coaches and spare parts worth US \$ 28 million from Yugoslavia. First batch of 24 coaches arrived here and they will be used in the freight.

The express freight will soon run on Yangon-Mandalay route.

MV Southgate also brought in 11,753 metric tons of construction materials.
