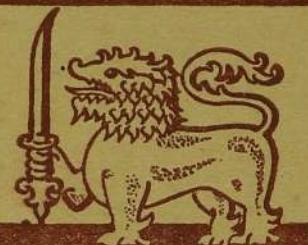


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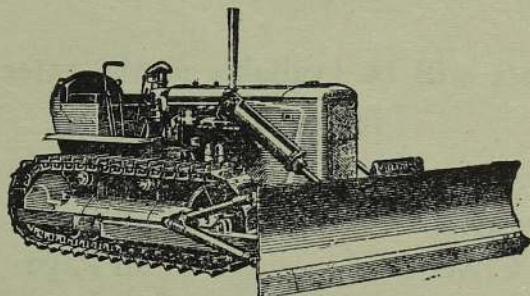
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THE TRADE UNION MOVEMENT AND ITS MEMBERSHIP IN 1954

Growth of the Trade Union Movement

THE Trade Unions Ordinance, No. 14 of 1935, came into operation on November 1, 1935. The growth of the trade union movement in Ceylon will be shown by the statistics given below about the number of unions applying for registration, the number of unions registered, the number of unions whose registrations were cancelled and the number of unions functioning at the end of the year for each of the years since 1935.

Year	No. of Unions applying for Registration	No. registered during the Year	No. cancelled during the Year	No. of Unions functioning at end of Year
1935	..	—	..	—
1936	..	—	28	..
1937	..	—	10	..
1938	..	—	4	..
1939	..	13	—	..
1940	..	49	25	..
1941	..	41	28	..
1942	..	21	20	..
1943	..	42	29	..
1944	..	32	24	..
1945	..	40	23	..
1946	..	41	33	..
1947	..	32	18	..
1948	..	53	29	..
1949	..	60	44	..
1950	..	66	52	..
1951	..	105	94	..
1952	..	62	55	..
1953	..	53	40	..
1954	..	77	70	..
			46	283

It will be noted from the statement given above that there has been a very large number of unions whose registrations were cancelled from time to time. The Commissioner of Labour, in his Administration Report, has pointed out year after year that sufficient attention to the proper maintenance of accounts was not paid by unions and consequently the annual returns due from them were not furnished in time. The large number of cancellations are mainly due to the trade unions not furnishing the annual returns in due time. The quotation given below from the Administration Report of the Commissioner of Labour for 1953, will be of interest in this connection.

“I have pointed out in my Report during the past two years that most trade unions do not pay sufficient attention to the proper maintenance of accounts and consequently do not furnish

their annual returns in due time. I regret to observe that there has been no substantial improvement in this direction during the year."

The observations made by the Commissioner of Labour on some aspects affecting the growth of trade unions on sound lines in his Administration Report for the year, 1954, quoted below, will also be of interest in this connection.

"After so many years it can still be said that the position of trade unions in Ceylon is unstable and much will depend on their course of development in the years to come. It is unfortunate that the development of this movement is hindered to a considerable extent by accretions which are not intrinsically necessary for its growth and popular prejudices caused by the activities of trade unionists which are unfortunate and unnecessary.

"It can, broadly speaking, be said that unions fall into 3 categories. In the first place there is the union with a small membership having just a few men outside the trade or industry concerned (called 'outsiders') holding the leading offices, which endeavours to achieve the improvement of the economic position of its members in its limited field and whose activities do not extend beyond the particular locality. The second group consists of the union which springs into being as a result of a genuine need of the workers. When this immediate object is achieved, the union either disappears or lies dormant until revived by a subsequent dispute or need.

"The third group of unions comprises those which are permanent and regular organizations having membership in different localities and aiming at further expansion to cover the entire Island in respect of the categories of workers in which they are interested. It is this group that are most active in the field and doing the most for the working class. But at the same time they are the ones that create the largest number of problems for the trade union movement as a whole. These are the unions which are affiliated to federations which themselves have close connections with political parties or have political ideologies. This development to which I have drawn attention in previous Reports has unfortunately tended to create in the public mind the impression that trade unionism is merely an adjunct of politics. This is inevitable since the average citizen is unable to distinguish in what capacity a person functions when he is both a politician and a trade union leader. This development is therefore tending to make the trade union movement an appendage of the political system.

"A further undesirable feature has recently been observed. The Department which has been used to dealing with certain leaders representing a particular trade union suddenly finds itself in the position of having to deal with other leaders from some other union on behalf of the same set of workers. The frequency with which new leaders come forward on behalf of workers who were known to belong to some other union, appears to indicate a certain amount of piracy in the trade union field. While the action of the leaders who indulge in such action will not find approbation anywhere, its effects on the rank and file of workers can well nigh be disastrous. By their own deeds, the leaders are giving the workers object lessons in disloyalty and

teaching them to sell their temporary allegiance to the highest bidder. This in its turn is increasing the membership figures of the most militant and aggressive trade unions which are prepared to promise practically everything that the workers might find attractive while driving out of existence or into the background those with milder policies. A further consequence of this unfortunate development is that this very militancy is antagonising the employer against trade unions as a whole."

Classification of Trade Unions by Trade

The total membership of workers' unions' at the end of 1954, was 311,449, as against a membership of 307,369 at the end of the previous year. The statement given below shows the classification of workers' trade unions which furnished returns for the year, 1954, according to trades.

Trade	No. of Unions	Membership
Plantations and agriculture ..	14	188,438
Industrial ..	15	11,286
Transportation ..	27	20,816
Clerical ..	22	16,831
Professional ..	69	15,862
General ..	49	58,216
	196	311,449

The plantations and agriculture account for the largest membership. This is only to be expected as the bulk of the organizable workers in Ceylon is engaged in the plantations.

Size of Trade Unions

The distribution of trade unions excluding federations by membership is given in table below.

Registered Trade Unions which furnished Returns classified by Membership as on March 31, 1954

Membership Groups	No. of Unions	Total Membership	Percentage of	
			Total No. of all Unions	Total Membership of all Unions
Below 50 ..	46	1,266 ..	22.01 ..	.41 ..
50 and below 250 ..	75	9,375 ..	35.89 ..	3.00 ..
250 and below 1,000 ..	55	27,690 ..	26.32 ..	8.87 ..
1,000 and below 5,000 ..	25	52,408 ..	11.96 ..	16.78 ..
5,000 and under 10,000 ..	4	30,585 ..	1.92 ..	9.80 ..
10,000 and under 25,000 ..	2	37,095 ..	.95 ..	11.88 ..
25,000 and over ..	2	153,759 ..	.95 ..	49.26 ..
	209	312,178	100	100

It will be noted that approximately 58 per cent. of the Unions furnishing returns had a membership of less than 250 and accounted for only 3.41 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions. Another 26.32 per cent. of the unions had a membership of between 250 and 1,000. Thus only 15.78 per cent. of the unions had a membership of 1,000 and over, but these accounted for nearly 88 per cent. of the total membership of all trade unions. It must be mentioned that under this group is included one trade with a membership of 120,511 or, in other words, 38.6 per cent. of the total membership.

It is of interest to note from the information given in the table in the preceding para. that unions with a membership of below 1,000 constitute nearly 84 per cent. of the total number of unions. The same feature is noticed in the case of trade unions in the United Kingdom. In the United Kingdom there were 687 trade unions functioning at the end of 1953, and 387 out of this or 56.4 per cent. had a membership of less than 1,000. The distribution of the unions according to membership in the United Kingdom is shown in the statement below.

Number of Members	No. of Unions	Total Membership	Percentage of		Total Membership of all Unions
			Total No. of all Unions	Total Membership of all Unions	
Under 100 ..	133	7,000	19.4	..	0.1
100 and under 500 ..	184	47,000	26.8	..	0.5
500 .. 1,000 ..	70	49,000	10.2	..	0.5
1,000 .. 2,500 ..	98	158,000	14.3	..	1.7
2,500 .. 5,000 ..	71	248,000	10.4	..	2.6
5,000 .. 10,000 ..	41	274,000	6.0	..	2.9
10,000 .. 15,000 ..	18	217,000	2.6	..	2.3
15,000 .. 25,000 ..	22	402,000	3.2	..	4.2
25,000 .. 50,000 ..	17	603,000	2.4	..	6.4
50,000 .. 100,000 ..	16	1,117,000	2.3	..	11.8
100,000 or more ..	17	6,339,000	2.4	..	67.0
Total ..	687	9,461,000	100.0	..	100.0

Financial position of Trade Unions

The table below shows the details of the financial position of trade unions separately for workers' and employers' unions.

Statement showing the Financial Position of Trade Unions on Available information as at March 31, 1954

	No. of Unions	Balance at the beginning of the Year		Income	Expenses	Balance at the end of the Year	
		Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.
Unions—							
Employers'	.. 13 ..	71,965	.. 448,024 ..	381,063 ..	.. 138,925 ..		
Employees'	.. 196 ..	386,925*	.. 614,195 ..	571,262 ..	.. 430,388†		
Total	.. 209 ..	458,890	.. 1,062,219 ..	952,325 ..	.. 569,314 ..		
Federations—							
Employers'	.. 1 ..	11,762	.. 77,447 ..	89,209 — ..		
Employees'	.. 3‡ ..	7 ..	.. 5,889 ..	5,834 ..	.. 62 ..		
Total	.. 4 ..	11,769	.. 83,336 ..	95,043 ..	.. 62 ..		

It will be noted that 13 employers' unions had an income of Rs. 448,024 as against 196 employees' unions having a total income of Rs. 614,195.

In the statement given below the unions are shown classified according to the amounts of their closing balances. In the case of Workers Unions for which the information is available, 109 out of 192 unions had a closing balance of below Rs. 500.

Workers' Unions

			No. of Unions	Amount Rs.
No. of Unions with nil balance ..	..	..	1	—
No. of Unions having balance under Rs. 50 ..	..	32	..	612
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 50 but under Rs. 100 ..	..	17	..	1,308
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 100 but under Rs. 250 ..	..	26	..	4,255
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 250 but under Rs. 500 ..	..	33	..	12,514
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 500 but under Rs. 1000 ..	..	32	..	22,473
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 1,000 but under Rs. 5,000 ..	..	35	..	63,936
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 5,000 but under Rs. 10,000 ..	..	7	..	52,878
No. of Unions having balance of Rs. 10,000 and over ..	..	9	..	272,412
			—	—
			192	430,388
			—	—

* A deficit balance of Rs. 15.49 in one union not included in the total.

† Three deficit closing balances amounting to Rs. 545.29 not included in the total.

‡ Particulars about 2 federations only. One was registered on May 11, 1954. General statement not due on March 31, 1954.

Employers' Unions

			No. of Unions	Amount Rs.
Under Rs. 50 ..	..	..	3	103
Rs. 50 and under Rs. 100 ..	..	..	1	66
Rs. 100 and under Rs. 250 ..	..	..	—	—
Rs. 250 and under Rs. 500 ..	..	..	2	753
Rs. 500 and under Rs. 1,000 ..	..	..	2	1,807
Rs. 1,000 and under Rs. 5,000 ..	..	..	3	6,526
Rs. 5,000 and under Rs. 10,000 ..	..	..	—	—
Rs. 10,000 and over ..	..	..	2	129,670
			—	—
			13	138,925
			—	—

Political Funds of Trade Unions

As on March 31, 1954, there was only one union which had a political fund. This union had an opening balance of Rs. 3,442.31, an income of Rs. 766.25 and an expenditure of Rs. 101.90 and a closing balance of Rs. 4,285.29.

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STATISTICS OF THE MONTH IN BRIEF

Note

THE following is a summary of the principal statistics listed this month. Further details will be found in the tables and appendices appearing in this issue.

Cost of Living

The Colombo Consumers' Price Index Number for the month of May, 1955, was 101.0, the same figure as for the month of April, 1955.

Wage Rates

The minimum wages payable for the month of May, 1955, to workers in all trades to which Part II of the Wages Boards Ordinance has been applied will be the same as for the month of April, 1955.

Strikes

There were altogether 8 strikes during the month of March, 1955, involving 1,981 workers and a loss of 11,714 man-days. Two of these were in a tea plantation involving 275 workers and a loss of 664 man-days and two in a rubber plantation involving 112 workers and a loss of 705 man-days. Of the remaining 4 strikes two were in the Engineering Trade and two in Motor Transport Trade involving in all 1,594 workers and a loss of 10,345 man-days.

Registrants for Employment or Better Employment

The total number of registrants for employment or better employment according to registers of the Employment Exchange as at the end of March, 1955, and April, 1955, was as given below:—

	March, 1955			April, 1955		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Technical and Clerical	10,900..	2,628..	13,528..	10,719..	2,584..	13,303
Skilled	7,576..	646..	8,222..	7,385..	646..	8,031
Semi-skilled	13,523..	4,356..	17,879..	13,325..	4,085..	17,410
Unskilled	24,769..	2,959..	27,728..	23,837..	2,740..	26,577
Total ..	56,768	10,589	67,357	55,266	10,055	65,321

The number of persons placed in employment during these two months is shown below:—

	March, 1955			April, 1955		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Technical and Clerical	95 ..	12 ..	107 ..	91 ..	39 ..	130
Skilled	79 ..	1 ..	80 ..	39 ..	2 ..	41
Semi-skilled	110 ..	9 ..	119 ..	43 ..	13 ..	56
Unskilled	175 ..	20 ..	195 ..	188 ..	10 ..	198
Total ..	459	42	501	361	64	425

NOTES OF CURRENT INTEREST

Annual International Labour Conference

CEYLON is being represented by a tripartite delegation at the 38th Session of the International Labour Conference taking place at Geneva from June 1 to 23, 1955. The delegation consists of the following:—

Major T. F. Jayawardene, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour, Leader of the Delegation and first Government

delegate, Mr. S. Velauthapillai, Assistant Commissioner of Labour, second Government delegate, Lt.-Col. J. A. T. Perera, M.B.E., employers' delegate and Mr. K. Kumaravel, workers' delegate.

The following were the subjects for discussion at this Session :—

- I. Report of the Director-General.
- II. Financial and Budgetary questions.
- III. Information and reports on the application of conventions and recommendations.
- IV. Vocational rehabilitation of the disabled (second discussion).
- V. Migrant Workers (underdeveloped countries) (second discussion).
- VI. Penal Sanctions for breaches of contract of employment (second discussion).
- VII. Vocational training in agriculture (first discussion).
- VIII. Welfare facilities for workers (first discussion)—
 - (a) Feeding facilities in or near the undertaking ;
 - (b) Rest and recreation facilities in or near the undertaking (excluding holiday facilities) ; and
 - (c) Transportation facilities to and from work where ordinary public transport is inadequate or impracticable.

Meeting of the Governing Body of the I. L. O.

Major T. F. Jayawardene, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Labour, was Ceylon's delegate to the 129th Session of the Governing Body of the International Labour Organization held at Geneva from May 27 to 28, 1955. He was accompanied by Mr. S. Velauthapillai, Assistant Commissioner of Labour.

Collective Agreement No. 1 of 1955—Dock, Harbour and Port Industry in Port of Colombo

A new Collective Agreement for the Dock, Harbour and Port Transport Industry was entered into on May 3, 1955, between all the trade unions of both workers and employers in the industry (with a few individual employers also on the employers' side, since they had no organization of their own), on the successful conclusion of negotiations between the employers and workers under the aegis of the Labour Department, with which the Port Commissioner's Department was also associated. This Agreement which supersedes the earlier agreements (Collective Agreements Nos. 1 and 2 of 1953), was published in the *Government Gazette* of May 20, 1955. The new features of the Agreement are :—

- (a) **Scope.** All the workers' trade unions operating in the Port of Colombo and all the major employers in the industry have become parties to the agreement.
- (b) **Wages.** The basic wages of workers have been increased as follows:—

An increase of 10 per cent. on basic wages less than Rs. 40 per mensem.

An increase of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on basic wages between Rs. 40 and Rs. 49 per mensem.

An increase of 5 per cent. on basic wages of Rs. 50 and above per mensem.

(Higher increases have been provided for a few specified classes of workers).

(c) *Hours of work of lighterman.* A 24 hour shift system for lightermen has been provided for.

Trade Unions registered during May, 1955

Regd. No.	Name of Trade Union
661 ..	The Local Postmasters' Union.
662 ..	The Government Factory Supervising Overseers' and sub-Overseers' Union.
663 ..	C. G. R. Plate Layers' Union (Central and Lower Districts).
664 ..	The Government Health Services Drivers' Association.
665 ..	Irrigation Gauge Recorders' Union.

THE COMFORT AND EFFICIENCY OF FACTORY WORKERS IN WARM CLIMATES *

Introduction

WHEN the author arrived in the tropics as a Factories Inspector, his strongest impression was not of dangerous machinery, plant or processes, but of the generally poor conditions obtaining inside the factories, some of which were little more than large tin ovens. In many cases additions had been made indiscriminately without any regard for the effects on conditions inside the building ; even when this was not the case it was clear that many builders of factories had not appreciated the difference in a hot climate between the requirements for a factory building and those for a store, shop or domestic building.

In fact, buildings designed and erected as stores had often been converted into factories by the simple process of installing machinery. It was not appreciated that the dust and considerable heat generated by many factory processes require structural designs and a layout of equipment different from those applicable to other buildings. The idea that a store building and a factory building could be readily interchanged naturally produced some very poor conditions which were in marked contrast to those prevailing in several factories which had been properly designed.

A healthy working environment should be regarded as even more important than safe working conditions, since the worker is affected by the former throughout the working day. Although improvements in environmental conditions have been shown to represent a paying proposition for the employer, this aspect of the question has not yet been fully understood in most industrially underdeveloped countries. In many cases complaints have been made regarding the low standard of indigenous labour, when the conditions in some of the factories would have made serious manual work by even the most industrious worker impossible.

* By K. J. Aspinall, Chief Factories Inspector, Uganda Protectorate, Kampala. Reproduced from the I. L. O. Publication "Occupational Safety and Health" (October-December 1954)—Note by the Editor.

The Importance of Working Conditions

The health and well-being of workers in factories is obviously related to the provision of comfortable and healthy working conditions. It is perhaps not so obvious that for a given process and layout over-all efficiency and the quality of the product increases, in all climates and with all processes, as working conditions are improved, and decreases as they are worsened. Yet this has been well demonstrated and is becoming more and more widely accepted. It has been shown, too, that environmental conditions and safety are related and that an improvement in these conditions decreases the accident frequently.

Of the many factors affecting working conditions, such as lighting, dust, fumes, noise, and so forth, the factor of greatest general importance in tropical factories is that of environmental warmth, or the local climate inside the factory. For physical well-being in the tropics it is of importance to obtain conditions under which the body may readily lose some of the heat it generates, the rate of production of which increases as more and more physical work is performed.

It is commonly assumed that the air temperature determines the sensation of heat. This is quite wrong. Other factors such as humidity and air movement also play their parts, and indeed in tropical factories are often considerations of greater importance than air temperature. Variations in these different factors affect the human body in different ways, but the sum of their effects decides its comfort.

Authorities on environmental conditions have defined "comfort zones" for different climates. A comfort zone may be described as the range of environmental conditions within which at least 50 per cent. of a group of normal people can feel reasonably comfortable and work with reasonable efficiency. As environmental conditions move away from the comfort zone, the individual feels more distressed, works with less efficiency and has less will to work. In the textile-weaving trade, for instance, it has been shown that although the raising of humidity and temperature is beneficial to the process, there is a limit beyond which the net effect of temperature and humidity on the process and the operators together causes a demonstrable reduction of output. The adverse physiological effect on the workers more than counterbalances the favourable conditions for the process, and output declines (1, 2) *. In tropical conditions the comfort and efficiency of the worker is bound up with the ability of his body to dissipate the heat that it generates.

Body Heat Losses

The human body can lose heat in three ways: By radiation, by convection and by evaporation of water.

Radiation

For a body to lose heat by radiation the temperature of the general surroundings must be lower than that of the body. If, on the other hand the surroundings are generally at a higher temperature than that of the blood, the human body will receive more radiant

* See references at the end of the article.

energy from its surroundings than it emits and there will be a gain of heat to the body. Consequently, in tropical factories of corrugated-iron sheeting construction (with sheeting temperatures of about 130°F) radiation generally hinders the cooling of the body and makes the provision of other cooling factors more necessary.

Convection

The rate of loss of body heat by convection depends on the difference in temperature between the body and the surrounding air and also on the rate of air movement around the body. At air temperatures of over 80°F, loss of body heat by convection will be small unless there is considerable air movement. If the air temperature exceeds that of the blood, the convection cooling factor of course becomes negative.

Evaporation

The body loses heat—

- (a) by the evaporation of water from "dry" skin (insensible perspiration) ;
- (b) by the evaporation of sweat when conditions deteriorate (sensible perspiration) ; and
- (c) by the evaporation of water from the lungs during breathing.

The rate of cooling by water evaporation depends on the humidity of the atmosphere, on the rate of air movement (as regards evaporation from the skin) and on the rate of breathing (as regards evaporation from the lungs). According to BEDFORD (2), humidity is of little importance in its effect on body cooling at temperatures below 70°F, but at higher temperatures it becomes an increasingly important factor. If hard manual work is done in a moist atmosphere, the body may be unable to lose the heat it produces. In such cases the body temperature rises and heat stroke may result. But as temperature and humidity are increased—even a long way short of these extreme conditions—there set in physical discomfort, a lack of both physical and mental ability and of will to work, and a lowering of output and of the quality of the product.

Improving Working Conditions

From the foregoing it will be seen that to obtain the best practicable environmental conditions in tropical factories not equipped with full air conditioning involves—

- (a) minimizing the effect of radiation from the surroundings ;
- (b) providing adequate ventilation to sweep out moisture-laden air given off by workers and the processes and to assist in increasing air movement ;
- (c) creating air movement by all practical means ; and
- (d) preventing anything which would raise the relative humidity.

Radiation

The chief sources of undesirable radiation in factories are plant and equipment used for hot processes (e.g., kettles for oil extraction and steam boilers) and, in the tropics, any material exposed to the

sun's rays (in general, the exposed surfaces of a building). Whenever practicable, hot plant and equipment should be lagged. In some processes (oil milling is an example), the lagging of steam piping and of steam receivers can effect a considerable reduction of undesirable radiant heat and of the general temperature, while also lowering steam-raising costs appreciably. In the tropics, however, the biggest potential source of radiation, especially in single-storied structures, is the building itself. It might be desirable to have all factories built of insulating materials such as hollow concrete wall blocks and insulated roofing. This is not a complete solution, however, for although massive insulated structures are beneficial by day, the materials retain their heat by night and remain at temperatures higher than that of the air for some time. Even more important is the fact that industrial economics has to be taken into account, and it must be accepted that many factories are of metal-clad construction (usually corrugated-iron sheeting), that insulating ceilings in factories are often impracticable, and that it would usually be unreasonable to demand higher standards.

Even so, much can be done to reduce the quantity of solar radiation transmitted from metal sheeting into the workrooms. Polished aluminium sheeting undoubtedly reflects much of the sun's radiation as long as the polish lasts, but it is usually soft and thin enough to be easily warped and bent, and weather-proofing difficulties have been experienced. Corrugated iron sheeting painted on the outside with a good white paint also reflects much of the sun's radiation, and because a painted surface has a greater heat emissivity than a bare metal surface it suffers a smaller rise in temperature than unpainted metal sheeting and is often to be preferred. The proportionate rate of transmission of solar heat into workrooms for various types of external surfacing may be deduced from table 1 (3).

Table I.—Effective Solar Absorption Coefficients

<i>External Surface</i>	<i>Coefficient</i>
Good white paint	0.36
Polished aluminium	0.41
Yellow paint	0.56
Slate paint	0.69
Red roof paint	0.86
Green paint	0.93

Sometimes walls and roofs of meal-clad factories are lined on the inside with some insulating material such as wallboard. This undoubtedly reduces the transmission of heat into workrooms, but it is expensive and the spaces between the sheeting and the lining tend to harbour dirt and vermin. Probably the most practical way of increasing workroom comfort by reducing radiant heat is to paint with a good white paint the outside surface of the roof and of the walls (preferably all walls, but at least those facing east and west).

Experiments relating to this question were carried out by Professor Crowden near Lagos during the Second World War (4). He found it difficult to convince people that it would have been better to have whitewashed a sheeted hospital roof than to have dressed it with a dark oily substance for preservation. He obtained two identical pieces of sheeting, had one of them whitewashed and left the other as it was. He put thermometers on the under-surfaces of both and simultaneously exposed them to the tropical sun. The difference in

the temperatures recorded amounted to about 25°F : the whitewashed sheeting gave a temperature of 108.5°F when the thermometer under the untreated sheeting read 134°F. Professor Crowden also showed that the effect of whitewashing the outside surface of a solid insulating wall was to lower its inside surface temperature by 4°F during the night, less solar heat having been absorbed during the day owing to the reflecting power of the white surface.

Since the effect of radiant heat on a man diminishes in proportion to the square of his distance from the source of radiation, his comfort can also be increased by placing him as far from such sources as is practicable. In metal-clad factories this requires wide spans high roofs and placing the majority of the workers along the floor centre-line.

Ventilation

The object of ventilation is to provide fresh air to the workers, to remove "wild heat" (i.e., the considerable heat generated by men, machines and plant), to increase air movement, which at tropical temperatures is such an important factor, and to remove some of the dust and fumes.

Natural Ventilation

Through draught and upcast ventilation through the roof are perhaps the best ways of providing natural ventilation, since these methods combine ample air changes with considerable air movement. Provision of through ventilation is best made by siting the building across the direction of the prevailing wind and opening as much as possible of opposing long side walls. Here again the desirability of a floor centre-line layout is shown, since it makes practically the whole of the side walls available for opening. The ideal would be to have no walls, or only walls of widemesh expanded metal for security purposes.

Driving tropical rain must be reckoned with, but it can be kept out while still preserving the open nature of the sides. One way is to construct each side of a series of horizontal strakes of corrugated iron sheeting set one vertically under the other at suitable intervals, each strake being inclined outwards at an angle of 45° from the vertical. The result is one huge system of louvres, and the inside can be "walled" with expanded metal if required.

Another way is to project out from each side of the workroom a verandah some 6 ft. wide and 10-12 ft. high, walled on the outside with expanded metal only, and with nothing between the verandah and the workroom other than the necessary supporting pillars and a dwarf wall to keep out rain pools and dust and leaves blown along the ground (figure 1). It is essential that these verandah spaces should not be used for work or for storage.

If walls are necessary, then ample window spaces must be provided. Windows should be large, as numerous as practicable, not placed too high, and preferably protected only by vertical bars or widemesh expanded metal and rain hoods. The use of glass should be avoided whenever possible for glazed windows rapidly become semi-opaque, in dusty conditions and are all too often found close even in the hottest weather. If they must be used, they should be of the

industrial type, in which the whole window revolves on a central horizontal or vertical axis. Casement windows are for use in houses, not in tropical factories.

Roof ventilation depends on the rise of hot air seeking an outlet. Ample roof ventilation should be provided, especially over hot processes, either in the form of continuous roof ridge ventilation or by means of an adequate number of large roof ventilators of the Colt, Robertson or mechanical fan extraction type. The provision of outlet ventilation by itself is useless without adequate and suitably disposed inlet areas. The total area of the inlets must be at least twice that of the outlets if the ventilation system is to be efficient. The inlets should be placed as low and be as widely scattered as possible in order to get an up sweep movement through as much of the factory as is practicable, and especially through the working plane. With adequate roof outlets and low inlets, a pronounced chimney effect can be obtained which increases with the height of the roof. Such a system produces ample air changes and appreciable air movement in the working plane at the level, that is, where it is needed. There should be no high inlets such as occur at eves, for example, as these would short-circuit the air current and would result in less air being drawn through the low inlets.

Mechanical Ventilation

A few words should be said about mechanical ventilation. In some tropical areas, where industrial technology is usually not advanced, it is heart breaking to see as the rule rather than the exception the complete waste of time, expense and power in fan installation. It appears that most factory occupiers, and many architects too, regard the fan itself as the easy cureall for poor conditions of every type. If properly designed and installed, a fan system can produce a very great improvement in poor conditions, but to install a fan without regard for planning and design is merely to waste time and money. The most common defect is the installation of an exhaust fan near open windows or vents. The result is a short circuit, the system merely sucking in air from the open windows and discharging it through the fan with no effect at all on the general ventilation of the room. The use of the wrong type of fan (e.g., a propeller fan in conjunction with ducts) and of badly designed and ill-fitting ducting is common. If mechanical ventilation is required, the advice of someone acquainted with ventilation engineering should be sought, and if such a person is not available a study of some reliable book on the subject, such as (5), should be made before a system is decided upon.

Air Movement

In tropical conditions air movement is of great importance. It is estimated that the net loss from exposed parts of the body is approximately doubled by an increase in air movement from 15 ft./min. to 65 ft./min., and is trebled by an increase from 15 ft./min. to 150 ft./min. Where high temperatures prevail, air movement can provide considerable relief from heat and can decidedly affect human capacity and the inclination to work. Table II shows, for different rates of air movement, the approximate reduction in air temperature required to produce the same cooling effect (5).

Table II.—Air Movement and Temperature Reduction

Rate of Air Movement (Ft./Min.)	Approximate Equivalent Temperature Reduction (°F)
50	1
100	3
250	6
500	10
1000	13
2000	16

Properly designed systems of mechanical blowers, exhausters or the two combined have the double effect of increasing air movement and improving general ventilation, and these are consequently the most desirable solution of the problem. In factories using overhead line-shafting, however, a simple, cheap and effective way of increasing air movement is to attach vanes or paddles to the shafting at suitable intervals. In addition, use is often made of "man-coolers" (fans directing a strong current of air on to the workers) to make conditions tolerable for workers in very hot processes. General air circulating fans, though they circulate only stale air, nevertheless have a considerable cooling effect.

Humidification

In some processes artificial humidification is resorted to for the benefit of the process. The method of blowing steam into the air is sometimes used because of its ease and cheapness, but the effect of blowing in both heat and moisture is obviously undesirable and the use of this method should not be countenanced.

Another method is to blow a spray of fine water into the air. If artificial humidification is necessary, this is the way it should be done, but even then the practice should be controlled. Hygrometers should be installed so that the relative humidity may be assessed and kept down to the minimum necessary. It should be remembered that general artificial humidification dampens everything—the structure, the men, the machines and the stock—merely in order to humidify the stock. The effect on the latter and on the process may be good, but on the structure, men and machines, it is usually bad. Sometimes this over-all humidification is unavoidable, but in other cases it could be reduced. In some ginning operations in the United States, for instance, only the seed, cotton and the lint are humidified. This is done by a local closely applied misting of the stock with "wet" water, and there is no effect on the workers.

Artificial Lighting

The effects of artificial lighting should be considered. If a factory is entirely illuminated by the filament type of electric lamp, the heat given off is considerable and materially adds to the quantity of "wild" heat to be removed. A 100-W bulb for instance, gives off some 340 B. Th. U. per hour, or about one-half as much as is given off by a man engaged on light work. In hot and dusty factories the use of fluorescent lighting has many advantages. First, it is a cold light: the tube surface remains comparatively cool and there is little addition to "wild" heat. Secondly, the light tends to be shadowless and so is safer. Thirdly, the surfaces of filament bulbs can attain temperatures

above those necessary to ignite certain dusts and vapours, and consequently a fire risk exists the surface temperature of fluorescent tubes, however, never approaches these limits.

Evaporation Cooling in Dry Climates

Thus far it has been assumed that warm climates involve higher relative humidity, and this is usually the case. In arid zones and other areas during certain seasons, however, the humidity may be low. Very dry temperatures can produce discomfort and can cause nasal disorders. A relative humidity of below 30 per cent. is outside the range given for both the United States Summer Comfort Zone and the Anglo-Iranian Summer Comfort Zone for south-west Iran, while at a dry-bulb temperature of 80°F, changes in humidity of between 30 and 60 per cent. still leave over-all conditions within the comfort zones. In hot, dry climates, then, some increase in the relative humidity can be permitted and can actually increase comfort. In these climates use can be made of cooling by evaporation, whereby the workroom air is cooled as well as humidified.

As water is converted into vapour and absorbed by the air, the latter gives up some of the latent heat of evaporation of water, and in doing so is cooled. The same principle has been applied for generations by natives of tropical countries who cool water by storing it in porous earthenware jars. In ginning operations in the arid regions of New Mexico and Arizona, use is made of "desert coolers". These comprise a large wetted screen of coarse bagging or moss through which air from outside is drawn by a propellor fan and blown into the building. A small copper pipe with a perforated cross header from which water drips on to the bagging provides the necessary moisture. In one series of tests this system was found to give good cooling plus a humidity of up to 50 per cent. in the building. A simple system of fine water sprays may also be used to good effect.

Assessment of Working Conditions

It would be very convenient to have a single scale of measurement of environmental conditions taking into account all the different factors involved. Several scales have, in fact, been devised and are used by ventilating engineers. In the United States, "effective temperature" (ET) is the standard employed, and takes into account air temperature humidity and rate of air movement, but not radiation¹. In the United Kingdom a scale of warmth known as "equivalent temperature" is used²; this takes into account air temperature, radiation and rate of air movement but not humidity, because air temperatures in the United Kingdom are not usually higher than 70-75°F and humidity is therefore not very important. A scale known as "corrected effective temperature" (CET) has been adopted for use in ships of the Royal Navy. This is the United States scale of effective temperature corrected to take into account the effect of

¹ Effective temperature is defined as "that temperature of completely saturated air which will produce the same subjective sensation of comfort as the particular combination of temperature and humidity observed (in both cases with minimal air movement)". Equivalents have been calculated for different air velocities (6).

² Equivalent temperature is calculated according to the following formula :
Equivalent temperature = $O. 522ta + O. 478ta - O. 01474v (100 - ta)$, where ta and tw are the air temperature and the mean temperature respectively of the surroundings, both in°F, and v is the air velocity in ft. /min. (7).

radiation, and is the scale most suited to factory conditions (8). It is interesting to note that the conditions affecting working comfort and efficiency in ships in tropical waters (i.e., high temperatures and relative humidity, and much radiation and "wild" heat) are precisely the same as those found in the metal-clad factory in the tropics. For the measurement of corrected effective temperature the following instruments are needed:—a globe thermometer (for air temperatures and radiation), a sling psychrometer (for humidity) and a silvered katathermometer (for rate of air movement). These instruments and their use in calculating the CET are described in a most interesting memorandum prepared at the request of the Royal Navy (2). With readings from these instruments and using charts supplied by H. M. Stationery Office (reproduced as a supplement to the same publication and also in (7) the corrected effective temperature may be obtained at a glance.

Desirable Working Conditions

Yaglou, working with the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, gave the limits which may be endured without serious effects as 90° ET¹ for persons resting and 80° ET for those doing heavy work. BEDFORD has recommended that wherever practicable the corrected effective temperature in places where men work should be kept below 80° ET and that it is specially desirable that it should not exceed 86° ET. These figures are top limit figures and before they have been reached both working efficiency and the will to work will have diminished. The top limit of the United States Summer Comfort Zone is 75° ET. In 1935 the top limit of the Anglo-Iranian Summer Comfort Zone for south-west Iran (with outside air temperatures of 92-125°F) was set at 81° ET, but the 1945 designation of this zone reduced the top limit to 76° ET with a dry-bulb limit of 85°F (9). To maintain these limits, air conditioning must be resorted to.

With these standards in mind, and assuming air conditioning to be impracticable, it would seem quite reasonable to suggest 80° CET as the top limit in factories in warm climates, with a range of 65° to 75° CET as the optimum. Depending on the work, corrected effective temperatures higher than 80°, produce poor working conditions which adversely affect health, safety and the process.

Table III shows the limiting air temperatures (dry-bulb) at various relative humidities required to produce a limiting effective temperature of 80°F first in still air, secondly, with an air movement of 200 ft./min. and thirdly with air movement of 600 ft./min. all for persons stripped to the waist.

Table III.—Air Temperatures required to Produce an Effective Temperature of 80° F

Relative Humidity (%)	Limiting Dry-bulb Temperature (°F)		
	Still Air	Air Movement 200 Ft./Min.	Air Movement 600 Ft./Min.
40	..	92.5	95.0
50	..	89.5	93.5
60	..	87.0	90.5
70	..	85.0	88.5
80	..	83.5	87.0
90	..	82.0	85.0
100	..	80.0	84.0

¹ All figures of effective temperature (ET) and corrected effective temperature (CET) are given in degrees Fahrenheit.

The importance of air movement at these temperatures is clearly shown. If appreciable radiant heat were involved a corrected effective temperature of 80° would be the limit and the limiting dry-bulb temperatures would be lowered by an amount depending on the quantity of radiation.

Practical Application

It may be of interest to describe a ginning factory which has recently been designed and constructed in a hot area according to the above-mentioned principles of environmental comfort (figure 2). All the machinery (opener, gins and press) is situated along the floor centre line (except the opener, which is slightly off centre) in a single hall. This hall measures 40 to 120 ft., and its height to the eaves is 22 ft. The walls are constructed of concrete blocks and the roof is of corrugated-iron sheeting. Below a height of about 10 ft. on each side there are practically no walls, these being replaced merely by supporting pillars and a low dwarf wall to prevent the ingress of dust leaves and rain pools. Along each side projects a verandah some 12 ft. high and 6 ft. wide with a corrugated-iron sheeting roof and an outside "wall" made only of widemesh expanded metal (figure 1). These provide security and protection from the driving rain. The verandahs are used only as passageways and their use for storage purposes is forbidden.

A jack roof provides continuous ridge outlet ventilation along the roof of the hall. Glazed windows (kept closed to maintain the full chimney effect) are provided in the main-walls above the verandah roofs. The completely open nature of the building up to a height of 10 ft. (thus including all the working plane) allows any breeze simply to blow through the factory. The high roof, the roof outlets, the open lower parts of the walls and the siting of the heat-producing machinery immediately under the line of the roof outlet ventilation all combine to produce very good upcast ventilation which materially adds to the air movement even when no breeze is blowing. A marked deposit of dust on the roof above a dust producing opener machine after only four weeks' working demonstrated both the efficiency of this general ventilation and the inefficiency of the local dust extracting system of the machine.

Except at the press end, which has a raised platform, all workers are well removed from heat radiated by the corrugated-iron sheeting. Even if the walls had been made of sheeting instead of cement blocks, this would still have been the case because of the virtual absence of walls below a height of 10 ft. The roof will ultimately be painted white on the outside. On a warm (but not hot) day with a faint breeze and outside temperature of 79°F (dry-bulb) and 60°F (wet-bulb), an effective temperature of 65°F was obtained inside the hall.

Employees were enthusiastic over the new building, which has been built to replace an old one destroyed by fire. The workers called attention to another feature of the building which was an accidental product of the design. This was the fact that they were able to see outside almost all round—a well-recognized element in the comfort of factory workers. The natural lighting at the workplaces is of the order of 50 foot-candles.

Although roller gins generate a great amount of "wild" heat, the general atmosphere inside the building is fresh and pleasant and differs

very little from shaded open-air conditions. The amount of visible dust in the atmosphere is distinctly less than it was in the old building.

Conclusion

It is somewhat surprising that, although most heads of undertakings in warm countries pay great attention to the functional design of their own houses, many of them fail to realize the necessity of designing buildings suitable for factory processes. Often they react strongly against any such suggestion and advance reasons why their factory buildings should be as confined as possible. The reasons most frequently cited concern the need for security from theft, for rat-proofing and for the exclusion of rain and flying insects. All these have been shown to have no real foundation, however. Good expanded metal takes care of any theft problem. The rat problem can be dealt with by providing sufficient rat-proof storage space for all rat-attracting raw materials and products, by not allowing process rooms to be used for storage, and by requiring these rooms to be completely emptied and cleaned of rat-attracting materials at least once a week. The solution of the rain problem has been mentioned above. As to flying insects, it would seem from the large number of broken windows in the older factories that these creatures will not normally congregate in noisy factories containing working men and machines, and this has proved to be the case in the new semi-open buildings.

Since the first few of the "newstyle" factory buildings have been commissioned in Uganda, however, factory occupiers have seen the results, and have become increasingly receptive of the principles set out above. Indeed, some of them have taken the initiative themselves and have set about modifying their existing buildings without waiting for prompting.

There is little doubt that a factory in any country should be roomy, light and airy, but in the tropics these desiderata become almost essentials ; gloom, heat and stuffness, all of which have a direct bearing on safety, health and productivity, are so very easily produced in tropical factories unless the various factors affecting environmental warmth are thoroughly understood and are kept well in mind during the planning stages. In dealing with this subject in his 1946 annual report, the Chief Inspector of Factories for the Union of South Africa wrote :

Occupiers are learning to appreciate that the improved working conditions represent a valuable investment resulting in better and greater output.

Greater efficiency and improved output, as well as safety and health, have long been recognized by progressive firms in many countries to be a consequence of good environmental conditions, but in a hot country these conditions will not be attained unless the fundamental principles are understood and are given precedence when designing factory buildings and planning the layout of plant and machinery.

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NOTICE

To All Occupiers of Factories

Reference is requested to section 2 of the Factories Ordinance No. 45 of 1942, under which every factory in the island is required to be registered with me. For this purpose a declaration giving the required particulars has to be furnished to me.

It is observed that some occupiers have not yet complied with this requirement. This is therefore to remind them that failure to register a factory is an offence under the Ordinance and to ask those who have not yet done so to have their factories registered without delay.

Declaration forms can be obtained from this Department on application.

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TABLE 1—COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS

A

Colombo Working Class

Base : November, 1938-April, 1939=100

Year	Food	Fuel and Light	Rent	Clothing	Miscellaneous	Final Index Number
Group Weights	52.40 ..	6.28 ..	15.96 ..	8.36 ..	17.00 ..	(Nov. 1938-Apr. 1939 = 100)

INDEX NUMBERS

Base : November, 1938-April, 1939 = 100

1939	..	112 ..	102 ..	97 ..	112 ..	104 ..	108
1940	..	115 ..	103 ..	97 ..	128 ..	111 ..	112
1941	..	129 ..	108 ..	96 ..	153 ..	116 ..	122
1942	..	183 ..	171 ..	93 ..	194 ..	144 ..	162*

Base : November, 1942 = 100

Year	Food	Fuel and Light	Rent	Clothing	Miscellaneous	Index Number Nov., 1942 = 100
Group Weights	63.66 ..	7.26 ..	7.06 ..	8.78 ..	13.24	
1943	..	103 ..	94 ..	105 ..	138 ..	118 ..
1944	..	102 ..	94 ..	105 ..	156 ..	127 ..
1945	..	110 ..	94 ..	112 ..	165 ..	158 ..
1946	..	113 ..	111 ..	124 ..	180 ..	155 ..
1947	..	126 ..	121 ..	136 ..	213 ..	157 ..
1948	..	138 ..	101 ..	148 ..	189 ..	138 ..
1949	..	144 ..	97 ..	129 ..	156 ..	157 ..
1950	..	154 ..	102 ..	129 ..	155 ..	148 ..
1951	..	155 ..	112 ..	129 ..	197 ..	154 ..
1952	..	153 ..	104 ..	131 ..	192 ..	168 ..

*Average for 11 months only.

B

Colombo Consumers' Price Index

Base Average Prices 1952=100

Year	Food	Fuel and Light	Rent	Clothing	Miscellaneous	Final Index Number
Group Weights	61.89 ..	4.29 ..	5.70 ..	9.42 ..	18.71	

INDEX NUMBERS

1953	..	105.97 ..	99.82 ..	101.32 ..	82.82 ..	97.17 ..	101.6
1954	..	106.13 ..	103.35 ..	101.53 ..	79.52 ..	94.43 ..	101.1
1954—							
January	..	106.52 ..	104.50 ..	101.53 ..	78.99 ..	94.87 ..	101.4
February	..	105.54 ..	104.50 ..	101.53 ..	79.16 ..	94.48 ..	100.7
March	..	104.24 ..	103.81 ..	101.53 ..	79.23 ..	94.71 ..	99.9
April	..	104.61 ..	101.96 ..	101.53 ..	78.72 ..	94.66 ..	100.0
May	..	106.97 ..	103.81 ..	101.53 ..	79.59 ..	94.71 ..	101.7
June	..	108.27 ..	101.96 ..	101.53 ..	79.77 ..	94.87 ..	102.4
July	..	106.09 ..	102.65 ..	101.53 ..	79.95 ..	95.22 ..	101.2
August	..	104.50 ..	103.00 ..	101.53 ..	79.65 ..	94.85 ..	100.1
September	105.30 ..	103.00 ..	101.53 ..	79.73 ..	94.26 ..		100.5
October	..	106.45 ..	104.15 ..	101.53 ..	79.86 ..	94.08 ..	101.3
November	107.28 ..	104.50 ..	101.53 ..	79.58 ..	93.39 ..		101.6
December	..	107.73 ..	102.31 ..	101.53 ..	80.04 ..	93.05 ..	101.8
1955—							
January	..	107.09 ..	101.61 ..	101.53 ..	80.26 ..	93.58 ..	101.5
February	..	105.50 ..	103.46 ..	101.53 ..	80.29 ..	93.37 ..	100.5
March	..	104.15 ..	101.61 ..	101.53 ..	79.85 ..	93.63 ..	99.6
April	..	105.91 ..	103.46 ..	101.53 ..	80.29 ..	94.24 ..	101.0
May	..	106.06 ..	102.31 ..	101.53 ..	80.96 ..	93.87 ..	101.0

**TABLE II—COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS—ESTATE
LABOUR**

Base : July-September, 1939=100

GROUPS OF HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE

Year	Food	Clothing	Fuel and Light	Miscel- laneous	Final Index Number
Group Weights	.. 64 ..	12 ..	8 ..	16	
INDEX NUMBERS					
	Base : July-September, 1939 = 100				<i>(July-Sept., 1939 = 100)</i>
1939 ..	.. 100 ..	100 ..	100 ..	100 ..	.. 100
1940* ..	.. 106 ..	113 ..	107 ..	105 ..	.. 107
1941 ..	.. 119 ..	126 ..	108 ..	115 ..	.. 119
1942† ..	.. 160 ..	139 ..	117 ..	135 ..	.. 150
	Base : October, 1942 = 100				<i>Index Number October, 1942 = 100</i>
Group Weights ..	.. 701 ..	119 ..	14 ..	166	
1943* ..	.. 108 ..	149 ..	104 ..	118 ..	115 .. 199
1944 ..	.. 110 ..	202 ..	105 ..	114 ..	122 .. 211
1945 ..	.. 115 ..	196 ..	104 ..	137 ..	128 .. 222
1946 ..	.. 118 ..	214 ..	106 ..	131 ..	131 .. 228
1947 ..	.. 124 ..	220 ..	112 ..	139 ..	138 .. 239
1948 ..	.. 142 ..	224 ..	112 ..	128 ..	149 .. 259
1949 ..	.. 154 ..	182 ..	111 ..	126 ..	152 .. 264
1950 ..	.. 164 ..	162 ..	108 ..	134 ..	158 .. 274
1951 ..	.. 165 ..	213 ..	108 ..	144 ..	166 .. 288
1952 ..	.. 158 ..	213 ..	111 ..	165 ..	165 .. 287
1952—					
January ..	.. 162 ..	236 ..	111 ..	167 ..	171 .. 296
February ..	.. 162 ..	237 ..	111 ..	164 ..	171 .. 296
March ..	.. 161 ..	236 ..	111 ..	169 ..	171 .. 296
April ..	.. 157 ..	232 ..	111 ..	175 ..	168 .. 292
May ..	.. 151 ..	227 ..	111 ..	162 ..	161 .. 280
June ..	.. 148 ..	225 ..	111 ..	165 ..	159 .. 276
July ..	.. 151 ..	213 ..	111 ..	161 ..	159 .. 276
August ..	.. 152 ..	201 ..	111 ..	163 ..	159 .. 276
September ..	.. 158 ..	194 ..	111 ..	171 ..	164 .. 284
October ..	.. 164 ..	189 ..	111 ..	169 ..	167 .. 290
November ..	.. 164 ..	184 ..	111 ..	157 ..	164 .. 285
December ..	.. 170 ..	184 ..	111 ..	152 ..	168 .. 291
1953—					
January ..	.. 171 ..	178 ..	111 ..	151 ..	168 .. 291
February ..	.. 172 ..	171 ..	111 ..	152 ..	168 .. 291
March ..	.. 175 ..	172 ..	111 ..	151 ..	170 .. 294
April ..	.. 170 ..	168 ..	111 ..	145 ..	165 .. 286
May ..	.. 169 ..	167 ..	111 ..	145 ..	164 .. 284
June † — ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	— ..

* Average for 9 months only.

† Average for 10 months only.

‡ The publishing of this index number has been stopped.

TABLE III—WAGES INDEX NUMBERS

Tea and Rubber Estate Labourers and Unskilled Male Workers in Government Employment

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BASE: 1939=100

Year	Tea and Rubber Estate Workers						Unskilled male Workers in Government Employment in Colombo						
	Average Minimum		Minimum	Index	No. of Real Wages	Index	Average Monthly		Wage Rate	No. of Real Wages	Index		
	Daily	Rate	Index	Wages			Rate of	Index	Index				
	Rs. c.						Rs. c.						
1939 ..	—	..	·41	..	100	..	100	..	16·64	..	100	..	100
1940 ..	—	..	·41	..	100	..	93	..	16·64	..	100	..	96
1941 ..	—	..	·45	..	110	..	92	..	18·45	..	111	..	98
1942 ..	—	..	·68	..	166	..	111	..	24·23	..	145	..	97
1943 ..	—	..	·83	..	202	..	102	..	28·98	..	174	..	96
1944 ..	—	..	·87	..	212	..	101	..	34·03	..	204	..	110
1945 ..	—	..	1·00	..	244	..	110	..	41·92	..	252	..	123
1946 ..	—	..	1·15	..	280	..	123	..	68·52	..	412	..	194
1947 ..	—	..	1·20	..	293	..	123	..	75·74	..	455	..	195
1948 ..	—	..	1·29	..	315	..	122	..	78·16	..	470	..	195
1949 ..	—	..	1·31	..	320	..	121	..	77·81	..	468	..	196
1950 ..	—	..	1·53	..	373	..	136	..	83·11	..	499	..	198
1951 ..	—	..	1·90	..	463	..	161	..	89·79	..	540	..	206
1952 ..	—	..	1·92	..	468	..	163	..	89·79	..	540	..	207

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BASE: 1952=100

1953 ..	—	..	1·95	..	101·56..	99·96..	90·97	..	101·31..	..	99·71
1954 ..	—	..	1·99	..	103·65..	102·52..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·29
1954 ..	January	..	1·95	..	101·56..	100·16..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·00
	February	..	1·95	..	101·56..	100·85..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·69
	March	..	1·92	..	100·00..	100·10..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	101·49
	April	..	1·92	..	100·00..	100·00..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	101·39
	May	..	1·92	..	100·00..	98·33..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	99·70
	June	..	1·95	..	101·56..	99·18..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	99·01
	July	..	1·95	..	101·56..	100·36..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·19
	August	..	2·08	..	108·33..	108·22..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	101·29
	September	..	2·05	..	106·77..	106·24..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·89
	October	..	2·05	..	106·77..	105·40..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·09
	November	..	2·08	..	108·33..	106·62..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	99·79
	December	..	2·08	..	108·33..	106·41..	91·04	..	101·39..	..	99·60
1955 ..	January	..	2·08	..	108·33	106·73	91·04	..	101·39..	..	99·89
	February	..	2·08	..	108·33	107·79	91·04	..	101·39..	..	100·89
	March	..	2·05	..	106·77	107·20	91·04	..	101·39..	..	101·80
	April	..	2·05	..	106·77	105·71	96·24*	..	107·18*	..	106·12
	May	..	2·08	..	108·33	107·26	96·24	..	107·18..	..	106·12

* Revised figure.

TABLE IV

Table showing the number of Registrants for employment or better employment according to Registers maintained at the Employment Exchanges in the Island

Year		Technical and Clerical	Skilled	Semi- skilled	Unskilled	Total
1939	..	3,712	11,964	5,034	5,967	26,677
1940	..	4,734	13,180	4,800	4,981	27,645
1941	..	5,274	8,882	2,351	3,951	20,458
1942	..	6,589	9,411	1,882	1,451	19,883
1943	..	2,282	2,872	1,312	1,869	8,335
1944*	..	295	358	227	173	1,053
1945	..	2,258	11,025	3,267	4,816	21,366
1946	..	5,636	10,012	7,527	13,369	36,544
1947	..	2,883	7,325	8,113	16,423	34,744
1948	..	4,474	13,027	12,443	36,712	66,656
1949	..	5,132	11,994	13,591	39,015	69,732
1950	..	5,627	10,525	13,523	35,447	65,122
1951	..	5,515	8,186	12,520	26,486	52,707
1952	..	6,883	7,522	13,795	24,823	53,023
1953	..	8,374	6,462	13,676	23,034	51,546
1954	January	8,489	6,505	13,897	23,468	52,359
	February	8,622	6,376	13,873	23,700	52,571
	March	8,785	6,404	13,909	23,954	53,052
	April	8,619	6,092	13,329	23,191	51,231
	May	8,972	6,190	13,582	23,308	52,052
	June	9,371	6,392	13,968	24,528	54,259
	July	9,904	6,850	14,515	25,539	56,808
	August	10,266	6,976	14,673	25,845	57,760
	September	10,761	7,387	15,073	26,873	60,094
	October	11,098	7,576	15,532	27,448	61,654
	November	11,531	7,869	15,988	27,620	63,008
	December	11,728	7,919	16,287	27,370	63,304
1955	January	12,249	8,055	16,841	27,657	64,802
	February	12,906	8,256	17,397	28,108	66,667
	March	13,528	8,222	17,879	27,728	67,357
	April	13,303	8,031	17,410	26,577	65,321

* Up to 1944 there was only 1 Employment Exchange in Colombo. In 1945, Exchanges were opened in all the principal towns of the Island.

† Revised figures.

TABLE V

Table showing the number of Registrants for employment or better employment according to registers maintained at the Employment Exchanges

CLASSIFICATION BY EXCHANGE AREAS

Year	Colombo	Negombo	Kattulatura	Galle	Kandy	Jaffna	Kurunegala	Hathapitiya	Badulla	Batticaloa	Kalmunai	Trincomalee	Anuradhapura	Avisawella	Haputale	Matara	Total	
1939	..	26,677	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	26,677	
1940	..	27,645	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27,645	
1941	..	20,458	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20,458	
1942	..	19,333	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19,333	
1943	..	8,335	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	8,335	
1944	..	1,053	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,053	
1945	..	10,784	378	2,128	1,239	2,363	259	431	841	120	46	65	1,497	—	—	—	21,366*	
1946	..	25,805	1,117	808	993	3,397	726	352	816	119	438	727	611	—	—	—	36,544†	
1947	..	21,589	2,289	1,643	2,133	4,955	564	430	481	170	490	—	—	—	—	—	34,744	
1948	..	42,209	7,235	2,414	3,995	4,577	1,066	851	1,526	607	704	1,189	—	—	—	—	66,656	
1949	..	44,552	5,041	4,125	5,429	3,195	953	1,052	2,185	727	1,170	607	—	—	—	—	69,732	
1950	..	41,988	3,696	3,501	6,082	2,904	943	1,208	1,991	553	928	980	—	—	—	—	65,122	
1951	..	33,125	3,422	2,886	4,350	2,209	537‡	886	1,587	569	904	418	1,207	284	323	—	52,707‡	
1952	..	32,124	3,028	3,263	3,381	3,730	547	1,162	1,435	909	663	422	992	252	437	678	—	53,023
1953	..	30,203	2,561	3,316	3,949	3,030	735	1,190	1,294	1,002	417	344	333	239	548	477	526	1,382
1954 :—	..	30,091	2,131	3,238	4,401	3,013	798	1,806	1,379	992	420	404	443	254	538	591	500	1,360
Jan.	..	29,846	2,218	3,148	4,601	3,080	780	2,105	1,351	929	429	388	430	239	576	635	479	1,337
Feb.	..	29,859	2,623	3,069	4,796	3,179	754	2,149	1,291	920	427	367	414	268	493	666	446	1,331
March	..																	53,052

April	28,757	2,786	2,948	4,877	3,058	664	1,827	1,175	843	405	353	330	340	510	668	416	1,274	51,231
May	28,712	2,938	3,005	5,117	3,082	650	1,777	1,181	858	390	394	294	676	535	721	409	1,313	52,052
June	29,220	2,992	3,180	5,265	3,281	870	2,093	1,224	935	382	378	311	926	581	827	473	1,321	54,259
July	30,069	2,962	3,358	5,450	3,512	1,015	2,244	1,293	1,027	343	399	338	1,299	647	945	512	1,395	56,808
August	30,907	2,927	3,374	5,615	3,121	1,065	2,261	1,389	1,084	360	384	277	1,387	704	968	496	1,441	57,760
Sept.	32,226	2,887	3,392	5,672	2,956	1,664	2,252	1,586	1,188	373	378	261	1,515	733	1,022	499	1,490	60,094
Oct.	32,851	2,828	3,369	5,796	3,237	1,888	2,250	1,743	1,258	402	349	278	1,570	768	1,135	447	1,485	61,654
Nov.	33,484	2,845	3,443	5,919	3,026	1,925	2,299	1,892	1,391	428	384	299	1,535	839	1,277	444	1,578	63,008
Dec.	33,410	2,909	3,484	6,024	3,148	1,708	2,220	1,992	1,471	440	388	297	1,567	884	1,377	396	1,589	63,304
1955:—																		
January	33,891	3,363	3,632	6,104	3,253	1,487	2,341	2,079	1,545	452	462	314	1,585	887	1,412	371	1,624	64,802
February	34,401	3,742	3,708	6,071	3,710	1,490	2,344	2,156	1,659	537	514	331	1,569	942	1,429	365	1,699	66,667
March	34,525	3,947	3,767	6,139	3,907	1,309	2,349	2,366	1,692	596	462	328	1,452	980	1,449	360	1,729	67,357
April	33,773	4,021	3,668	6,022	3,481	1,115	2,275	2,386	1,644	591	495	276	1,230	903	1,417	331	1,693	65,321

* Total includes 127 registered at Matugama, 164 at Chilaw, 272 at Matale, 97 at Avissawella and 555 at Veyangoda.

† Total includes 141 registered at Matugama, 254 at Chilaw, and 240 at Avissawella.
(These Exchanges functioned only during 1945 and 1946.)

‡ Revised figures.

TABLE VI—Table showing the number of Persons placed in employment since 1939

Year		Technical and Clerical	Skilled	Semi-Skilled	Unskilled	Total
1939	..	..	..	..	..	2,583
1940	..	..	..	..	..	5,089
1941	..	..	..	..	..	9,071
1942	..	..	..	..	..	8,129
1943	..	..	..	..	..	4,170
1944	..	..	..	..	..	1,875
1945	..	369	1,104	411	2,653	4,537
1946	..	1,303	3,012	1,341	10,130	15,786
1947	..	915	1,417	911	4,161	7,404
1948	..	1,355	1,563	1,311	6,118	10,347
1949	..	1,807	1,616	1,767	9,590	14,780
1950	..	2,059	1,509	1,438	5,773	10,779
1951	..	2,019	1,546	1,867	5,874	11,306
1952*	..	3,107	1,802	1,887	5,657	12,453
1953	..	1,528	669	1,371	2,820	6,388
1954	..	January 35	87	71	285	478
		February 22	96	42	390	550
		March 74	102	57	555	788
		April 52	50	54	317	473
		May 54	76	89	552	771
		June 118	108	67	691	984
		July 112	52	85	542	791
		August 89	70	72	305	536
		Sept. 166	71	82	328	647
		Oct. 128	58	91	226	503
		Nov. 133	68	136	306	643
		Dec. 114	41	76	163	394
1955	..	January 110	37	74	410	631
		February 100	79	43	131	353
		March 107	80	119	195	501
		April 130	41	56	198	425

* The figures for the year 1952 as given above should replace the figures for that year as published in the issues of the *Ceylon Labour Gazette* for the months March-October, 1954.

TABLE VII—Table showing the Number of Persons registered and the Number Placed in Employment during the Month of April, 1955

Employment Exchange	Technical and Clerical		Skilled		Semi-skilled		Unskilled		Total	
	Regd.	Placed	Regd.	Placed	Regd.	Placed	Regd.	Placed	Regd.	Placed
Colombo	.. 438	.. 81	.. 378	.. 15	.. 467	.. 13	.. 765	.. 33	.. 2,048	.. 142
Negombo	.. 65	.. —	.. 51	.. 4	.. 59	.. 3	.. 219	.. —	.. 294	.. 7
Kalutara	.. 42	.. 23	.. 17	.. —	.. 99	.. 1	.. 58	.. 5	.. 216	.. 29
Galle	.. 31	.. —	.. 24	.. —	.. 101	.. 2	.. 109	.. 10	.. 265	.. 12
Kandy	.. 110	.. 3	.. 42	.. —	.. 134	.. 5	.. 95	.. 6	.. 381	.. 14
Nawalapitiya	.. 14	.. —	.. 20	.. —	.. 23	.. —	.. 51	.. 12	.. 108	.. 12
Kurunegala	.. 50	.. 1	.. 13	.. —	.. 117	.. 2	.. 45	.. 3	.. 225	.. 6
Jaffna	.. 111	.. 1	.. 20	.. —	.. 59	.. 3	.. 57	.. 25	.. 247	.. 29
Ratnapura	.. 36	.. 2	.. 6	.. —	.. 63	.. 14	.. 35	.. 8	.. 140	.. 24
Badulla	.. 10	.. —	.. 3	.. —	.. 9	.. 1	.. 14	.. 5	.. 36	.. 6
Batticaloa	.. 17	.. 2	.. 19	.. 6	.. 13	.. —	.. 56	.. 12	.. 105	.. 20
Kalmunai	.. 2	.. —	.. 5	.. —	.. 13	.. 1	.. 6	.. —	.. 26	.. 1
Trincomalee	.. 10	.. 4	.. 13	.. 13	.. 12	.. 6	.. 56	.. 32	.. 91	.. 55
Anuradhapura	.. 30	.. 10	.. 14	.. 3	.. 34	.. 2	.. 32	.. 18	.. 110	.. 33
Avissawella	.. 9	.. —	.. 3	.. —	.. 28	.. —	.. 70	.. 27	.. 110	.. 27
Haputale	.. 3	.. 2	.. 6	.. —	.. 8	.. 3	.. 1	.. 2	.. 18	.. 7
Matara	.. 33	.. 1	.. 9	.. —	.. 39	.. —	.. 34	.. —	.. 115	.. 1
Total	.. 1,011	130	643	41	1,278	56	1,703	198	4,625	425

TABLE VIII—STRIKES IN CEYLON SINCE 1939

Year	Plantations			Others		
	Number of Strikes	Number of Workers Involved	Number of Man-days Lost	Number of Strikes	Number of Workers Involved	Number of Man-days Lost
1939	..	18	Not available	..	Not available	..
1940	..	36	9,734*	..	do.	..
1941	..	27	4,156	..	do.	..
1942	..	8	949	..	do.	..
1943	..	22	2,436	..	5,234	..
1944	..	26	3,648	..	4,048‡	..
1945	..	28	3,514	..	4,285	..
1946	..	87	15,259	..	31,830‡	..
1947	..	53	11,849	..	199,657	..
1948	..	33	23,100	..	49,933‡	..
1949	..	66	477,412	..	681,340	..
1950	..	82	22,808	..	85,837	..
1951	..	67	306,091	..	521,040	..
1952	..	36	5,355	..	9,414	..
1953	..	33	363,600	..	430,586	..
1954	..	59	86,450	..	391,200	..
1954 January	..	803	..	1,586	..	4
February	..	3	..	487	..	3,191
March	..	2	..	354	..	1,030
April	..	3	..	93	..	209
May	..	3	..	385	..	444
June	..	5	..	750	..	1,300
July	..	4	..	144	..	338
August	..	9	..	531	..	1,206
September	..	2	..	230	..	28,026
October	..	4	..	143	..	329
November	..	5	..	70,266	..	84,135
December	..	13	..	12,264	..	269,406
1955 January	..	6	..	553	..	1,395
February	..	2	..	329	..	1,015
March	..	4	..	387	..	1,369

* Number of workers involved in one strike is not available.

† Number of man-days lost in one strike is not available.

‡ Number of workers involved and man-days lost in respect of one strike are not available.

¶ 5 Strikes which ended early in January, 1955, have been included under December, 1954, since these strikes lasted for the greater part during 1954.

From January, 1952, strikes involving less than 5 workers or lasting less than 1 day are excluded from the statistics except in cases where the aggregate number of man-days lost exceed 50.

Notes.—The number of strikes shown against each month relate to the number of strikes that ended during the month.

TABLE IX—CLASSIFICATION OF THE STRIKES IN MARCH, 1955, BY INDUSTRIES OR TRADES

<i>Industry or Trade</i>		<i>Number of Strikes</i>		<i>Number of Workers involved</i>		<i>Number of Man-days lost</i>
Plantations—Tea	..	..	2	..	275	..
Rubber	..	..	2	..	112	..
Tea-cum-Rubber	..	—	—	—	—	—
Coconut	..	—	—	—	—	—
Coconut-cum-Rubber	..	—	—	—	—	—
	Total	..	4	..	387	..
				—	—	1,369
Engineering	..	..	2	..	434	..
Printing	..	—	—	—	—	—
Motor Transport	..	..	2	..	1,160	..
Tea Export	..	—	—	—	—	—
Rubber Export	..	—	—	—	—	—
Coconut Manufacturing	..	—	—	—	—	—
Toddy, Arrack and Vinegar	..	—	—	—	—	—
Match Manufacturing	..	—	—	—	—	—
Plumbago	..	—	—	—	—	—
Cinema	..	—	—	—	—	—
Dock, Harbour and Port Transport	..	—	—	—	—	—
Building Trade	..	—	—	—	—	—
Local Government Services	..	—	—	—	—	—
Service Institutions	..	—	—	—	—	—
Factories, Workshops, &c., run by the State	..	—	—	—	—	—
Textile	..	—	—	—	—	—
Relief Schemes	..	—	—	—	—	—
Wholesale and Retail Distribution	..	—	—	—	—	—
Aerated Waters and Ice Manufacturing	..	—	—	—	—	—
Beedi Manufacturing	..	—	—	—	—	—
Hotel	..	—	—	—	—	—
	Total	..	4	..	1,594	..
				—	—	10,345
	Grand Total	..	8	..	1,981	..
				—	—	11,714

TABLE X—CLASSIFICATION OF THE STRIKES IN MARCH, 1955, BY CAUSES

<i>Cause</i>	<i>Number of Strikes</i>		<i>Number of Workers Involved</i>	
	<i>Plantations</i>	<i>Others</i>	<i>Plantations</i>	<i>Others</i>
1. Dismissal or loss of employment in any way. Failure to provide work	..	1	..	13 .. 1,057
2. Wage increases. Higher rates for piece work, &c.	..	—	..	— .. —
3. Other wage disputes (e.g., delay in payment, cash advances, &c.)	..	—	..	— .. —
4. Estate rules, working arrangements, discipline, disputes with sub-staff, &c.	..	1	..	99 .. —
5. Food matters. Welfare	..	—	..	.. .. —
6. Right of association and meeting	..	—	..	.. .. —
7. Factional disputes and domestic matters	..	—	2 ..	— .. 434
8. External matters, e.g., arrest by Police, &c.	..	2	..	275 .. —
9. Assaults by employer or agent or others	..	—	..	.. .. —
10. General demands	..	—	..	.. .. —
11. Sympathetic strikes	..	—	1 ..	— .. 103
	Total	..	4	..
			4	..
			387	..
			—	1,594

TABLE XI—ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES OF INDIAN
ESTATE LABOURERS

Year	Arrivals			Departures			Excess of Arrivals over Departures	Excess of Departures over Arrivals
	Old	New	Total	Repatriated on Govt. account	Left Ceylon Unaccount assisted	Total		
1939	.. 25,425..	3,834..	29,259..	2,975..	31,714..	34,689..	— ..	5,430
1940	.. 2,955..	363..	3,318..	5,560..	12,578..	18,138..	— ..	14,820
1941	.. 3,234..	350..	3,584..	8,410..	11,243..	19,653..	— ..	16,069
1942	.. 6,585..	229..	6,814..	5,398..	33,183..	38,581..	— ..	31,767
1943	.. 42,677..	2,076..	44,753..	1,368..	59,577..	60,945..	— ..	16,192
1944	.. 49,354..	2,623..	51,977..	786..	59,683..	60,469..	— ..	8,492
1945	.. 82,598..	3,844..	86,442..	572..	85,428..	86,000..	442..	—
1946	.. 75,269..	3,325..	78,594..	282..	75,657..	75,939..	2,655..	—
1947	.. 52,177..	2,400..	54,577..	242..	58,381..	58,623..	— ..	4,046
1948	.. 47,621..	2,926..	50,547..	151..	47,115..	47,266..	3,281..	—
1949	.. 42,188..	2,237..	44,425..	302..	46,538..	46,840..	— ..	2,415
1950	.. 49,385..	1,525..	50,910..	267..	55,360..	55,627..	— ..	4,717
1951	.. 53,218..	1,503..	54,721..	203..	58,591..	58,794..	— ..	4,073
1952	.. 55,530..	1,717..	57,247..	317..	58,132..	58,449..	— ..	120
1953	.. 40,761..	1,160..	41,921..	379..	45,963..	46,342..	— ..	4,421
1954	.. 26,550..	577..	27,127..	223..	25,143..	25,366..	1,761..	—
1954—								
January	.. 1,848..	41..	1,889..	3..	5,427..	5,430..	— ..	3,541
February	.. 3,218..	61..	3,279..	57..	7,141..	7,198..	— ..	3,919
March	.. 6,358..	68..	6,426..	52..	5,591..	5,643..	783..	—
April	.. 6,373..	96..	6,469..	34..	3,123..	3,157..	3,312..	—
May	.. 4,340..	110..	4,450..	77..	3,816..	3,893..	557..	—
June	.. 3,194..	123..	3,317..	— ..	19..	19..	3,298..	—
July	.. 585..	39..	624..	— ..	6..	6..	618..	—
August	.. 273..	21..	294..	— ..	1..	1..	293..	—
September	.. 158..	8..	166..	— ..	1..	1..	165..	—
October	.. 99..	6..	105..	— ..	1..	1..	104..	—
November	.. 56..	1..	57..	— ..	2..	2..	55..	—
December	.. 48..	3..	51..	— ..	15..	15..	36..	—
1955—								
January	.. — ..	— ..	— ..	— ..	30..	30..	— ..	30
February	.. — ..	— ..	— ..	7 ..	75..	82..	— ..	82
March	.. 1 ..	— ..	1 ..	8*..	162..	170..	— ..	169*
April	.. 15 ..	— ..	15 ..	1 ..	144..	145..	— ..	130
May	.. 31 ..	— ..	31 ..	— ..	156..	156..	— ..	125

*Revised figures

APPENDIX I

Statement showing the Minimum Rates of Wages payable to Workers in different Trades for which Wages Boards have been established

Month : June, 1955

Class of Worker	Basic Wage		Special Allowance		Total	
	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.	Rs.	c.

Tea Growing and Manufacturing Trade

Daily Rates

Male worker not under 16 years	..	1	25	..	1	12	..	2	37
Female worker not under 15 years	..	1	05	..	0	84	..	1	89
Child worker ..	..	0	80	..	0	77	..	1	57

Cocoa, Cardamom and Pepper Growing and Manufacturing Trade

Daily Rates

Male worker not under 16 years	..	1	10	..	1	12	..	2	22
Female worker not under 15 years	..	0	90	..	0	84	..	1	74
Child worker ..	..	0	65	..	0	77	..	1	42

Rubber Growing and Manufacturing Trade

Daily Rates

Male worker not under 16 years	..	1	30	..	1	12	..	2	42
Female worker not under 15 years	..	1	20	..	0	84	..	2	4
Child worker ..	..	0	95	..	0	77	..	1	72

Coconut Growing Trade

Daily Rates

The raising and maintenance of a coconut plantation ; and

The manufacture of copra—

Kangany ..	..	0	90	..	1	12	..	2	2
Male not under 18 years ..	..	0	75	..	1	12	..	1	87
Female not under 18 years ..	..	0	60	..	0	84	..	1	44
Worker under 18 years ..	..	0	50	..	0	77	..	1	27

Coconut Manufacturing Trade

The manufacture of desiccated coconut ;

The manufacture of coconut oil ; and

The manufacture of fibre and coir products—

Within the Colombo area :

Kangany ..	..	1	44	..	1	30	..	2	74
Male not under 18 years ..	..	1	24	..	1	30	..	2	54
Female not under 18 years ..	..	1	0	..	0	97	..	1	97
Worker under 18 years ..	..	0	75	..	0	90	..	1	65

Outside the Colombo area :

Kangany ..	..	1	20	..	1	30	..	2	50
Male not under 18 years ..	..	1	0	..	1	30	..	2	30
Female not under 18 years ..	..	0	80	..	0	97	..	1	77
Worker under 18 years ..	..	0	60	..	0	90	..	1	50

" Colombo area " includes any place within 5 miles of the Municipal limits of Colombo.

Piece rates have been fixed for certain processes

Month : June, 1955

Class of Worker	Basic Wage Rs. c.	Special Allowance Rs. c.	Total			
			..	Rs. c.		
Engineering Trade						
<i>Daily Rates</i>						
Unskilled labourer ..	.. 1 24	.. 1 33	..	2 57	
Semi-skilled, Grade I ..	.. 1 44	.. 1 43	..	2 87	
Semi-skilled, Grade II ..	.. 1 28	.. 1 43	..	2 71	
Skilled worker ..	.. 1 80	.. 1 43	..	3 23	
Kangany ..	.. 1 60	.. 1 43	..	3 3	
Watcher ..	.. 1 50	.. 1 43	..	2 93	
<i>Trade Learners and Apprentices</i>						
1st year ..	.. 0 40	.. 0 43	..	0 83	
2nd year ..	.. 0 56	.. 0 53	..	1 9	
3rd year ..	.. 0 72	.. 0 81	..	1 53	
4th year ..	.. 0 96	.. 0 96	..	1 92	
Printing Trade						
<i>Monthly Rates</i>						
Class A worker ..	.. 100 0 ..	79 0 ..	179 0		
" B ..	.. 75 0 ..	60 50 ..	135 50		
" C Grade I worker ..	.. 50 0 ..	51 25 ..	101 25		
" C " II " ..	.. 45 0 ..	46 54 ..	91 54		
" D worker ..	.. 40 0 ..	42 0 ..	82 0		
" E " ..	.. 37 50 ..	39 73 ..	77 23		
" F " ..	.. 18 0 ..	21 65 ..	39 65		
" G " ..	.. 40 0 ..	42 0 ..	82 0		
Class A—1st year learner ..	.. 30 0 ..	24 70 ..	54 70		
" B ..	.. 22 50 ..	19 15 ..	41 65		
" C Grade I, 1st year learner ..	.. 20 0 ..	21 0 ..	41 0		
" C " II, " " ..	.. 18 0 ..	19 15 ..	37 15		
" D—1st year learner ..	.. 16 0 ..	17 30 ..	33 30		
Class A—2nd year learner ..	.. 40 0 ..	32 60 ..	72 60		
" B ..	.. 37 50 ..	30 75 ..	68 25		
" C Grade I, 2nd year learner ..	.. 25 0 ..	26 4 ..	51 4		
" C " II, " " ..	.. 22 50 ..	23 77 ..	46 27		
" D—2nd year learner ..	.. 20 0 ..	21 50 ..	41 50		
Class A—3rd year learner ..	.. 50 0 ..	40 50 ..	90 50		
" B ..	.. 45 0 ..	36 80 ..	81 80		
" C Grade I, 3rd year learner ..	.. 30 0 ..	31 25 ..	61 25		
" C " II, " " ..	.. 27 0 ..	28 39 ..	55 39		
" D—3rd year learner ..	.. 24 0 ..	25 70 ..	49 70		
Class A—4th year learner ..	.. 65 0 ..	52 10 ..	117 10		
" B ..	.. 56 25 ..	45 54 ..	101 79		
" C Grade I, 4th year learner ..	.. 37 50 ..	38 73 ..	76 23		
" C " II, " " ..	.. 33 75 ..	35 15 ..	68 90		
" D—4th year learner ..	.. 30 0 ..	31 75 ..	61 75		
Class A—5th year learner ..	.. 80 0 ..	64 20 ..	144 20		

Cigar Trade

A piece rate of Rs. 8.0 has been fixed for every 1,000 cigars rolled.

Month: June, 1955

Class of Worker	Basic Wage Rs. c.	Special Allowance Rs. c.	Total Rs. c.
Plumbago Trade			
<i>Daily Rates</i>			
Underground workers—			
Basses	2 75 ..	1 18 .. 3 93
Kanganies }	..	2 25 ..	1 18 .. 3 43
Loaders }	..	2 8 ..	1 18 .. 3 26
Overseers }	..	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Shift bosses	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Blasters }	..	2 25 ..	1 18 .. 3 43
Drillers (hand and machine) }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Shaft drivers }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Stopers (excavators) }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Timber men }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Muckers }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Trolleymen }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Unskilled labourers }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Onsetters or Donakatakarayas	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
<i>Underground and surface workers—</i>			
Electricians }	..	2 50 ..	1 18 .. 3 68
Enginemen }	..	2 25 ..	1 18 .. 3 43
Fitters	2 25 ..	1 18 .. 3 43
Hoistmen }	..	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Mechanics }	..	1 60 ..	1 18 .. 2 78
Pumpmen	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Winchmen	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Checkers	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Electricians (assistants) .. }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Fitters (assistants) .. }	..	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Windlassmen (dabare workers)	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
<i>Surface workers—</i>			
Carpenters	2 50 ..	1 18 .. 3 68
Masons	2 25 ..	1 18 .. 3 43
Overseers	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Blacksmiths	1 60 ..	1 18 .. 2 78
Boilermen	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Drill sharpeners	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Firewood carriers and splitters	1 50 ..	1 18 .. 2 68
Carters	2 0 ..	1 18 .. 3 18
Watchers	1 24 ..	1 18 .. 2 42
Bakkikarayas or Banksmen	1 24 ..	1 18 .. 2 42
Cooks	1 24 ..	1 18 .. 2 42
Smithy boys	1 24 ..	1 18 .. 2 42
Unskilled labourers	1 24 ..	1 18 .. 2 42

N.B.—Workers under 18 years of age performing any of the above tasks are entitled to a special allowance of only 81 cents.

Workers employed in curing and dressing—

(a) As overseers and kanganies ..	2 0 ..	1 38 ..	3 38
(b) On different jobs :			

Within the Colombo area—

Male worker not under 18 years ..	1 25 ..	1 38 ..	2 63
Female worker not under 18 years ..	1 0 ..	1 8 ..	2 8
Worker under 18 years ..	0 50 ..	1 1 ..	1 51

Outside the Colombo area—

Male worker not under 18 years ..	1 0 ..	1 38 ..	2 38
Female worker not under 18 years ..	0 84 ..	1 8 ..	1 92
Worker under 18 years ..	0 40 ..	1 1 ..	1 41

“ Colombo area ” includes any place within 5 miles of the Municipal limits of Colombo.

Class of Worker	Basic Wage Rs. c.	Special Allowance Rs. c.	Total Rs. c.			
			Rs.	c.		
Tea Export Trade						
<i>Daily Rates</i>						
A. Male workers not under 18 years—						
(a) Grade II ..	1 24 ..	1 33 ..	2 57			
(b) Intermediate Grade ..	1 40 ..	1 43 ..	2 83			
(c) Grade I ..	1 60 ..	1 43 ..	3 3			
(d) Box makers and repairers ..	1 40 ..	1 43 ..	2 83			
(e) Watchers ..	1 50 ..	1 43 ..	2 93			
B. Female workers not under 18 years ..	1 0 ..	1 21 ..	2 21			
C. Workers over 14 years but under 15 years ..	0 60 ..	0 84 ..	1 44			
" 15 " 16 ..	0 70 ..	0 89 ..	1 59			
" 16 " 17 ..	0 80 ..	0 94 ..	1 74			
" 17 " 18 ..	1 0 ..	1 4 ..	2 4			

Rubber Export Trade*Daily Rates*

A. Male workers not under 18 years—

(a) Grade II ..	1 24 ..	1 33 ..	2 57
(b) Intermediate Grade ..	1 40 ..	1 43 ..	2 83
(c) Grade I ..	1 60 ..	1 43 ..	3 3
(d) Watchers ..	1 50 ..	1 43 ..	2 93

B. Female workers not under 18 years ..

C. Workers over 14 years but under 15 years ..	0 60 ..	0 84 ..	1 44
" 15 " 16 ..	0 70 ..	0 89 ..	1 59
" 16 " 17 ..	0 80 ..	0 94 ..	1 74
" 17 " 18 ..	1 0 ..	1 4 ..	2 4

Toddy, Arrack and Vinegar Trade*Monthly Rates*

Tope kangany ..	..	..	110 0 ..	— ..	110 0
Toddy tavern watcher ..	..	..	60 0 ..	— ..	60 0
Arrack tavern watcher ..	..	..	60 0 ..	— ..	60 0
Tope watcher ..	..	..	50 0 ..	— ..	50 0
Collecting station manager ..	..	..	75 0 ..	— ..	75 0
Selling toddy at tavern ..	..	..	75 0 ..	— ..	75 0
Selling arrack at tavern ..	..	..	75 0 ..	— ..	75 0
Collecting toddy from trees in the toddy section of the trade ..	..	..	75 0 ..	— ..	75 0
Collecting toddy from trees in the arrack section of the trade ..	..	..	50 0 ..	— ..	50 0
Collecting toddy from trees in the vinegar section of the trade ..	..	..	50 0 ..	— ..	50 0
Distilling toddy at distillery ..	..	..	75 0 ..	— ..	75 0

Daily Rates

Bottling, corking and labelling arrack bottles—

(a) for a male worker not under 16 years of age	2 25 ..	— ..	2 25
(b) for a female worker not under 16 years of age	1 85 ..	— ..	1 85

Unskilled labourers—

Male workers not under 16 years ..	2 10 ..	— ..	2 10
Female workers not under 16 years ..	1 70 ..	— ..	1 70

Piece rates have been fixed for certain processes

Class of Worker	Basic Wage Rs. c.	Special Allowance		Total Rs. c.		
		Rs.	c.			
Motor Transport Trade						
<i>Monthly Rates</i>						
Class A worker	..	100	0	142 0		
" B "	..	90	0	132 0		
" C "	..	85	0	124 50		
" D "	..	100	0	142 0		
" E "	..	70	0	107 0		
" F "	..	67	50	109 50		
" G "	..	60	0	98 30		
" H "	..	50	0	88 30		
" I "	..	60	0	98 30		
" J "	..	90	0	128 30		
" K "	..	45	0	74 0		

Daily Rates

Class A worker	..	4	0	1	80	..	5	80
" B "	..	4	0	1	80	..	5	80
" C "	..	3	25	1	80	..	5	5
" D "	..	4	0	1	80	..	5	80
" E "	..	2	75	1	55	..	4	30
" F "	..	2	75	1	80	..	4	55
" G "	..	2	50	1	80	..	4	30
" H "	..	2	25	1	80	..	4	5
" K "	..	1	50	1	6	..	2	56

N.B.—Monthly rates for permanent workers and daily rates for temporary workers.

Match Manufacturing Trade*Daily Rates**Grade I*—

Male 18 years and over	..	1	80	..	1	43	..	3	23
Female 18 years and over	..	1	44	..	1	33	..	2	77
Young person over 14 and under 17 years	..	0	85	..	0	85	..	1	70
Young person 17 and over but under 18 years	..	1	15	..	1	4	..	2	19

Grade II—

Male 18 years and over	..	1	40	..	1	43	..	2	83
Female 18 years and over	..	1	12	..	1	33	..	2	45
Young person over 14 and under 17 years	..	0	70	..	0	85	..	1	55
Young person 17 and over but under 18 years	..	0	90	..	1	4	..	1	94

Grade III—

Male 18 years and over	..	1	24	..	1	33	..	2	57
Female 18 years and over	..	1	0	..	1	21	..	2	21
Young person over 14 and under 17 years	..	0	60	..	0	85	..	1	45
Young person 17 and over but under 18 years	..	0	80	..	1	4	..	1	84

Grade IV—

Watcher	..	1	50	..	1	43	..	2	93
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Cinema Trade*Monthly Rates**Within the Municipal areas*

A—Non-clerical—

Unskilled	..	32	25	..	34	38	..	66	63
Semi-skilled	..	37	50	..	36	98	..	74	48
Skilled, Grade II	..	50	0	..	38	80	..	88	80
Skilled, Grade I	..	60	0	..	38	80	..	98	80

B—Clerical—

Grade III	..	45	0	..	34	50	..	79	50
Grade II	..	50	0	..	37	50	..	87	50
Grade I	..	100	0	..	42	50	..	142	50

Month: June, 1955

Class of Worker	Basic Wage Rs. c.	Special Allowance Rs. c.	Total			
			Rs.	c.		
Cinema Trade (contd.)						
<i>Outside the Municipal areas</i>						
A—Non-clerical—						
Unskilled	..	32 25	..	34 38		
Semi-skilled	..	35 0	..	36 98		
Skilled, Grade II	..	42 0	..	38 80		
Skilled, Grade I	..	55 0	..	38 80		
B—Clerical—						
Grade III	..	40 0	..	34 50		
Grade II	..	45 0	..	37 50		
Grade I	..	100 0	..	42 50		

Dock, Harbour and Port Transport Trade

Monthly Rates

Manual Work—

Special Grade	..	65 0	..	32 50	..	97 50
Skilled Grade	..	55 0	..	28 50	..	83 50
Semi-skilled Grade	..	45 0	..	25 50	..	70 50
Unskilled, Grade I	..	37 0	..	25 50	..	62 50
Unskilled, Grade II	..	31 0	..	25 50	..	56 50

Women Workers—

Female kanganies	..	35 0	..	25 50	..	60 50
Female labourers	..	30 0	..	25 50	..	55 50

Non-manual Workers—

Special Grade	..	75 0	..	38 0	..	113 0
Grade I	..	55 0	..	28 50	..	83 50

Building Trade

Daily Rates

Unskilled—

Male labourers—

Not under 18 years	..	1 24	..	1 33	..	2 57
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Female labourers—

Not under 18 years	..	1 0	..	1 33	..	2 33
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Unskilled labourers—

(irrespective of sex)

Under 18 years of age	..	0 80	..	1 33	..	2 13
Semi-skilled, Grade II	..	1 44	..	1 43	..	2 87
Semi-skilled, Grade I	..	1 60	..	1 43	..	3 3
Skilled	..	1 80	..	1 43	..	3 23

APPENDIX II (A)

Ready Reckoner showing the Basic Wages, Special Allowances and the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in the Tea Growing and Manufacturing Trade

No. of Days	Men			Women			Child Workers*			No. of Days
	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Min- imum Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Min- imum Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Min- imum Wage	
1	Rs. 0 62½	Rs. 0 56	Rs. 1 18½	Rs. 0 52½	Rs. 0 42	Rs. 0 94½	Rs. 0 40	Rs. 0 38½	Rs. 0 78½	1
2	1 25	1 12	2 37	1 5	0 84	1 89	0 80	0 77	1 57	2
3	2 50	2 24	4 74	2 10	1 68	3 78	1 60	1 54	3 14	3
4	3 75	3 36	7 11	3 15	2 52	5 67	2 40	2 31	4 71	4
5	5 0	4 48	9 48	4 20	3 36	7 56	3 20	3 8	6 28	5
6	6 25	5 60	11 85	5 25	4 20	9 45	4 0	3 85	7 85	6
7	7 50	6 72	14 22	6 30	5 4	11 34	4 80	4 62	9 42	7
8	8 75	7 84	16 59	7 35	5 88	13 23	5 60	5 39	10 99	8
9	10 0	8 96	18 96	8 40	6 72	15 12	6 40	6 16	12 56	9
10	11 25	10 8	21 33	9 45	7 56	17 1	7 20	6 93	14 13	10
11	12 50	11 20	23 70	10 50	8 40	18 90	8 0	7 70	15 70	11
12	13 75	12 32	26 7	11 55	9 24	20 79	8 80	8 47	17 27	12
13	15 0	13 44	28 44	12 60	10 8	22 68	9 60	9 24	18 84	13
14	16 25	14 56	30 81	13 65	10 92	24 57	10 40	10 1	20 41	14
15	17 50	15 68	33 18	14 70	11 76	26 46	11 20	10 78	21 98	15
16	18 75	16 80	35 55	15 75	12 60	28 35	12 0	11 55	23 55	16
17	20 0	17 92	37 92	16 80	13 44	30 24	12 80	12 32	25 12	17
18	21 25	19 4	40 29	17 85	14 28	32 13	13 60	13 9	26 69	18
19	22 50	20 16	42 66	18 90	15 12	34 2	14 40	13 86	28 26	19
20	23 75	21 28	45 3	19 95	15 96	35 91	15 20	14 63	29 83	20
21	25 0	22 40	47 40	21 0	16 80	37 80	16 0	15 40	31 40	21
22	26 25	23 52	49 77	22 5	17 64	39 69	16 80	16 17	32 97	22
23	27 50	24 64	52 14	23 10	18 48	41 58	17 60	16 94	34 54	23
24	28 75	25 76	54 51	24 15	19 32	43 47	18 40	17 71	36 11	24
25	30 0	26 88	56 88	25 20	20 16	45 36	19 20	18 48	37 68	25
26	31 25	28 0	59 25	26 25	21 0	47 25	20 0	19 25	39 25	26
27	32 50	29 12	61 62	27 30	21 84	49 14	20 80	20 2	40 82	27
28	33 75	30 24	63 99	28 35	22 68	51 3	21 60	20 79	42 39	28
29	35 0	31 36	66 36	29 40	23 52	52 92	22 40	21 56	43 96	29
30	36 25	32 48	68 73	30 45	24 36	54 81	23 20	22 33	45 53	30

* A "Child worker" means a male worker under 16 years of age or a female worker under 15 years of age.

APPENDIX II (B)

Ready Reckoner showing the Basic Wages, Special Allowances and the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in the Rubber Growing and Manufacturing Trade

No. of Days	Men			Women			Child Workers*			No. of Days
	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
½	0 65	0 56	1 21	0 60	0 42	1 2	0 47½	0 38½	0 86	½
1	1 30	1 12	2 42	1 20	0 84	2 4	0 95	0 77	1 72	1
2	2 60	2 24	4 84	2 40	1 68	4 8	1 90	1 54	3 44	2
3	3 90	3 36	7 26	3 60	2 52	6 12	2 85	2 31	5 16	3
4	5 20	4 48	9 68	4 80	3 36	8 16	3 80	3 8	6 88	4
5	6 50	5 60	12 10	6 0	4 20	10 20	4 75	3 85	8 60	5
6	7 80	6 72	14 52	7 20	5 4	12 24	5 70	4 62	10 32	6
7	9 10	7 84	16 94	8 40	5 88	14 28	6 65	5 39	12 4	7
8	10 40	8 96	19 36	9 60	6 72	16 32	7 60	6 16	13 76	8
9	11 70	10 8	21 78	10 80	7 56	18 36	8 55	6 93	15 48	9
10	13 0	11 20	24 20	12 0	8 40	20 40	9 50	7 70	17 20	10
11	14 30	12 32	26 62	13 20	9 24	22 44	10 45	8 47	18 92	11
12	15 60	13 44	29 4	14 40	10 8	24 48	11 40	9 24	20 64	12
13	16 90	14 56	31 46	15 60	10 92	26 52	12 35	10 1	22 36	13
14	18 20	15 68	33 88	16 80	11 76	28 56	13 30	10 78	24 8	14
15	19 50	16 80	36 30	18 0	12 60	30 60	14 25	11 55	25 80	15
16	20 80	17 92	38 72	19 20	13 44	32 64	15 20	12 32	27 52	16
17	22 10	19 4	41 14	20 40	14 28	34 68	16 15	13 9	29 24	17
18	23 40	20 16	43 56	21 60	15 12	36 72	17 10	13 86	30 96	18
19	24 70	21 28	45 98	22 80	15 96	38 76	18 5	14 63	32 68	19
20	26 0	22 40	48 40	24 0	16 80	40 80	19 0	15 40	34 40	20
21	27 30	23 52	50 82	25 20	17 64	42 84	19 95	16 17	36 12	21
22	28 60	24 64	53 24	26 40	18 48	44 88	20 90	16 94	37 84	22
23	29 90	25 76	55 66	27 60	19 32	46 92	21 85	17 71	39 56	23
24	31 20	26 88	58 8	28 80	20 16	48 96	22 80	18 48	41 28	24
25	32 50	28 0	60 50	30 0	21 0	51 0	23 75	19 25	43 0	25
26	33 80	29 12	62 92	31 20	21 84	53 4	24 70	20 2	44 72	26
27	35 10	30 24	65 34	32 40	22 68	55 8	25 65	20 79	46 44	27
28	36 40	31 36	67 76	33 60	23 52	57 12	26 60	21 56	48 16	28
29	37 70	32 48	70 18	34 80	24 36	59 16	27 55	22 33	49 88	29
30	39 0	33 60	72 60	36 0	25 20	61 20	28 50	23 10	51 60	30

*A "child worker" means a male worker under 16 years of age or a female worker under 15 years of age.

APPENDIX II (C)

Ready Reckoner showing the Basic Wages, Special Allowances and the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to Workers in the Cocoa, Cardamom and Pepper

Growing and Manufacturing Trade

No. of Days	Men			Women			Child Workers *			No. of Days
	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	Basic Wage	Special Allowance	Minim-um Wage	
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
1	0 55	0 56	1 11	0 45	0 42	0 87	0 32½	0 38½	0 71	1
2	1 10	1 12	2 22	0 90	0 84	1 74	0 65	0 77	1 42	2
3	2 20	2 24	4 44	1 80	1 68	3 48	1 30	1 54	2 84	3
4	3 30	3 36	6 66	2 70	2 52	5 22	1 95	2 31	4 26	4
5	4 40	4 48	8 88	3 60	3 36	6 96	2 60	3 8	5 68	5
6	5 50	5 60	11 10	4 50	4 20	8 70	3 25	3 85	7 10	6
7	6 60	6 72	13 32	5 40	5 4	10 44	3 90	4 62	8 52	7
8	7 70	7 84	15 54	6 30	5 88	12 18	4 55	5 39	9 94	8
9	8 80	8 96	17 76	7 20	6 72	13 92	5 20	6 16	11 36	9
10	9 90	10 8	19 98	8 10	7 56	15 66	5 85	6 93	12 78	10
11	11 0	11 20	22 20	9 0	8 40	17 40	6 50	7 70	14 20	11
12	12 10	12 32	24 42	9 90	9 24	19 14	7 15	8 47	15 62	12
13	13 20	13 44	26 64	10 80	10 8	20 88	7 80	9 24	17 4	13
14	14 30	14 56	28 86	11 70	10 92	22 62	8 45	10 1	18 46	14
15	15 40	15 68	31 8	12 60	11 76	24 36	9 10	10 78	19 88	15
16	16 50	16 80	33 30	13 50	12 60	26 10	9 75	11 55	21 30	16
17	17 60	17 92	35 52	14 40	13 44	27 84	10 40	12 32	22 72	17
18	18 70	19 4	37 74	15 30	14 28	29 58	11 5	13 9	24 14	18
19	19 80	20 16	39 96	16 20	15 12	31 32	11 70	13 86	25 56	19
20	20 90	21 28	42 18	17 10	15 96	33 6	12 35	14 63	26 98	20
21	22 0	22 40	44 40	18 0	16 80	34 80	13 0	15 40	28 40	21
22	23 10	23 52	46 62	18 90	17 64	36 54	13 65	16 17	29 82	22
23	24 20	24 64	48 84	19 80	18 48	38 28	14 30	16 94	31 24	23
24	25 30	25 76	51 6	20 70	19 32	40 2	14 95	17 71	32 66	24
25	26 40	26 88	53 28	21 60	20 16	41 76	15 60	18 48	34 8	25
26	27 50	28 0	55 50	22 50	21 0	43 50	16 25	19 25	35 50	26
27	28 60	29 12	57 72	23 40	21 84	45 24	16 90	20 2	36 92	27
28	29 70	30 24	59 94	24 30	22 68	46 98	17 55	20 79	38 34	28
29	30 80	31 36	62 16	25 20	23 52	48 72	18 20	21 56	39 76	29
30	31 90	32 48	64 38	26 10	24 36	50 46	18 85	22 33	41 18	30

A "child worker" means a male worker under 16 years of age or a female worker under 15 years of age

APPENDIX III (A)

Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in the Coconut Growing and Manufacturing Trades

No. of Days	The Coconut Growing Trade				The Coconut Manufacturing Trade								No. of Days	
					Within Colombo area				Outside Colombo area					
	Kan-gany	Male	Fe-male	Young Person	Kan-gany	Male	Fe-male	Young Person	Kan-gany	Male	Fe-male	Young Person		
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
½	1 1	0 93½	0 72	0 63½	1 37	1 27	0 98½	0 82½	1 25	1 15	0 88½	0 75	½	
1	2 2	1 87	1 44	1 27	2 74	2 54	1 97	1 65	2 50	2 30	1 77	1 50	1	
2	4 4	3 74	2 88	2 54	5 48	5 8	3 94	3 30	5 0	4 60	3 54	3 0	2	
3	6 6	5 61	4 32	3 81	8 22	7 62	5 91	4 95	7 50	6 90	5 31	4 50	3	
4	8 8	7 48	5 76	5 8	10 96	10 16	7 88	6 60	10 0	9 20	7 8	6 0	4	
5	10 10	9 35	7 20	6 35	13 70	12 70	9 85	8 25	12 50	11 50	8 85	7 50	5	
6	12 12	11 22	8 64	7 62	16 44	15 24	11 82	9 90	15 0	13 80	10 62	9 0	6	
7	14 14	13 9	10 8	8 89	19 18	17 78	13 79	11 55	17 50	16 10	12 39	10 50	7	
8	16 16	14 96	11 52	10 16	21 92	20 32	15 76	13 20	20 0	18 40	14 16	12 0	8	
9	18 18	16 83	12 96	11 43	24 66	22 86	17 73	14 85	22 50	20 70	15 93	13 50	9	
10	20 20	18 70	14 40	12 70	27 40	25 40	19 70	16 50	25 0	23 0	17 70	15 0	10	
11	22 22	20 57	15 84	13 97	30 14	27 94	21 67	18 15	27 50	25 30	19 47	16 50	11	
12	24 24	22 44	17 28	15 24	32 88	30 48	23 64	19 80	30 0	27 60	21 24	18 0	12	
13	26 26	24 31	18 72	16 51	35 62	33 2	25 61	21 45	32 50	29 90	23 1	19 50	13	
14	28 28	26 18	20 16	17 78	38 36	35 56	27 58	23 10	35 0	32 20	24 78	21 0	14	
15	30 30	28 5	21 60	19 5	41 10	38 10	29 55	24 75	37 50	34 50	26 55	22 50	15	
16	32 32	29 92	23 4	20 32	43 84	40 64	31 52	26 40	40 0	36 80	28 32	24 0	16	
17	34 34	31 79	24 48	21 59	46 58	43 18	33 49	28 5	42 50	39 10	30 9	25 50	17	
18	36 36	33 66	25 92	22 86	49 32	45 72	35 46	29 70	45 0	41 40	31 86	27 0	18	
19	38 38	35 53	27 36	24 13	52 6	48 26	37 43	31 35	47 50	43 70	33 63	28 50	19	
20	40 40	37 40	28 80	25 40	54 80	50 80	39 40	33 0	50 0	46 0	35 40	30 0	20	
21	42 42	39 27	30 24	26 67	57 54	53 34	41 37	34 65	52 50	48 30	37 17	31 50	21	
22	44 44	41 14	31 68	27 94	60 28	55 88	43 34	36 30	55 0	50 60	38 94	33 0	22	
23	46 46	43 1	33 12	29 21	63 2	58 42	45 31	37 95	57 50	52 90	40 71	34 50	23	
24	48 48	44 88	34 56	30 48	65 76	60 96	47 28	39 60	60 0	55 20	42 48	36 0	24	
25	50 50	46 75	36 0	31 75	68 50	63 50	49 25	41 25	62 50	57 50	44 25	37 50	25	
26	52 52	48 62	37 44	33 2	71 24	66 4	51 22	42 90	65 0	59 80	46 2	39 0	26	
27	54 54	50 49	38 88	34 29	73 98	68 58	53 19	44 55	67 50	62 10	47 79	40 50	27	
28	56 56	52 36	40 32	35 56	76 72	71 12	55 16	46 20	70 0	64 40	49 56	42 0	28	
29	58 58	54 23	41 76	36 83	79 46	73 66	57 13	47 85	72 50	66 70	51 33	43 50	29	
30	60 60	56 10	43 20	38 10	82 20	76 20	59 10	49 50	75 0	69 0	53 10	45 0	30	

Note.—"Colombo area" includes any place within 5 miles of the Municipal limits of Colombo; "Male" refers to male workers not under 18 years of age; "Female" to female workers not under 18 years of age and "Young Persons" to workers under 18 years of age.

APPENDIX III (B)

Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in the Tea Export and Rubber Export Trades

No. of Days	Male Workers not under 18 years of age					Female Workers not under 18 years of age	Workers (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age				No. of Days
	Grade II	Intermediate Grade	Grade I	*Box Makers and Repairers	Watchers		over 14 under 15 years	over 15 under 16 years	over 16 under 17 years	over 17 under 18 years	
	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.		Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
½	1 28½	1 41½	1 51½	1 41½	1 46½	1 10½	0 72	0 79½	0 87	1 2	½
1	2 57	2 83	3 3	2 83	2 93	2 21	1 44	1 59	1 74	2 4	1
2	5 14	5 66	6 6	5 66	5 86	4 42	2 88	3 18	3 48	4 8	2
3	7 71	8 49	9 9	8 49	8 79	6 63	4 32	4 77	5 22	6 12	3
4	10 28	11 32	12 12	11 32	11 72	8 84	5 76	6 36	6 96	8 16	4
5	12 85	14 15	15 15	14 15	14 65	11 5	7 20	7 95	8 70	10 20	5
6	15 42	16 98	18 18	16 98	17 58	13 26	8 64	9 54	10 44	12 24	6
7	17 99	19 81	21 21	19 81	20 51	15 47	10 8	11 13	12 18	14 28	7
8	20 56	22 64	24 24	22 64	23 44	17 68	11 52	12 72	13 92	16 32	8
9	23 13	25 47	27 27	25 47	26 37	19 89	12 96	14 31	15 66	18 36	9
10	25 70	28 30	30 30	28 30	29 30	22 10	14 40	15 90	17 40	20 40	10
11	28 27	31 13	33 33	31 13	32 23	24 31	15 84	17 49	19 14	22 44	11
12	30 84	33 96	36 36	33 96	35 16	26 52	17 28	19 8	20 88	24 48	12
13	33 41	36 79	39 39	36 79	38 9	28 73	18 72	20 67	22 62	26 52	13
14	35 98	39 62	42 42	39 62	41 2	30 94	20 16	22 26	24 36	28 56	14
15	38 55	42 45	45 45	42 45	43 95	33 15	21 60	23 85	26 10	30 60	15
16	41 12	45 28	48 48	45 28	46 88	35 36	23 4	25 44	27 84	32 64	16
17	43 69	48 11	51 51	48 11	49 81	37 57	24 48	27 3	29 58	34 68	17
18	46 26	50 94	54 54	50 94	52 74	39 78	25 92	28 62	31 32	36 72	18
19	48 83	53 77	57 57	53 77	55 67	41 99	27 36	30 21	33 6	38 76	19
20	51 40	56 60	60 60	56 60	58 60	44 20	28 80	31 80	34 80	40 80	20
21	53 97	59 43	63 63	59 43	61 53	46 41	30 24	33 39	36 54	42 84	21
22	56 54	62 26	66 66	62 26	64 46	48 62	31 68	34 98	38 28	44 88	22
23	59 11	65 9	69 69	65 9	67 39	50 83	33 12	36 57	40 2	46 92	23
24	61 68	67 92	72 72	67 92	70 32	53 4	34 56	38 16	41 76	48 96	24
25	64 25	70 75	75 75	70 75	73 25	55 25	36 0	39 75	43 50	51 0	25
26	66 82	73 58	78 78	73 58	76 18	57 46	37 44	41 34	45 24	53 4	26
27	69 39	76 41	81 81	76 41	79 11	59 67	38 88	42 93	46 98	55 8	27
28	71 96	79 24	84 84	79 24	82 4	61 88	40 32	44 52	48 72	57 12	28
29	74 53	82 7	87 87	82 7	84 97	64 9	41 76	46 11	50 46	59 16	29
30	77 10	84 90	90 90	84 90	87 90	66 30	43 20	47 70	52 20	61 20	30

* Applicable to Tea Export Trade only.

APPENDIX III (C)

**Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the
number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in
the Engineering Trade**

No. of Days	Un-skilled	Semi-skilled		Skilled	Kan-ganies	Watch-ers	Trade Learners and Apprentices				No. of Days
		Grade I	Grade II				1st Year	2nd Year	3rd Year	4th Year	
		Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	
1	1 28½	1 43½	1 35½	1 61½	1 51½	1 46½	0 41½	0 54½	0 76½	0 96	1
2	2 57	2 87	2 71	3 23	3 3	2 93	0 83	1 9	1 53	1 92	2
3	5 14	5 74	5 42	6 46	6 6	5 86	1 66	2 18	3 6	3 84	3
4	7 71	8 61	8 13	9 69	9 9	8 79	2 49	3 27	4 59	5 76	4
5	10 28	11 48	10 84	12 92	12 12	11 72	3 32	4 36	6 12	7 68	5
6	12 85	14 35	13 55	16 15	15 15	14 65	4 15	5 45	7 65	9 60	6
7	15 42	17 22	16 26	19 38	18 18	17 58	4 98	6 54	9 18	11 52	7
8	17 99	20 9	18 97	22 61	21 21	20 51	5 81	7 63	10 71	13 44	8
9	20 56	22 96	21 68	25 84	24 24	23 44	6 64	8 72	12 24	15 36	9
10	23 13	25 83	24 39	29 7	27 27	26 37	7 47	9 81	13 77	17 28	10
11	25 70	28 70	27 10	32 30	30 30	29 30	8 30	10 90	15 30	19 20	11
12	28 27	31 57	29 81	35 53	33 33	32 23	9 13	11 99	16 83	21 12	12
13	30 84	34 44	32 52	38 76	36 36	35 16	9 96	13 8	18 36	23 4	13
14	33 41	37 31	35 23	41 99	39 39	38 9	10 79	14 17	19 89	24 96	14
15	35 98	40 18	37 94	45 22	42 42	41 2	11 62	15 26	21 42	26 88	15
16	38 55	43 5	40 65	48 45	45 45	43 95	12 45	16 35	22 95	28 80	16
17	41 12	45 92	43 36	51 68	48 48	46 88	13 28	17 44	24 48	30 72	17
18	43 69	48 79	46 7	54 91	51 51	49 81	14 11	18 53	26 1	32 64	18
19	46 26	51 66	48 78	58 14	54 54	52 74	14 94	19 62	27 54	34 56	19
20	48 83	54 53	51 49	61 37	57 57	55 67	15 77	20 71	29 7	36 48	20
21	51 40	57 40	54 20	64 60	60 60	58 60	16 60	21 80	30 60	38 40	21
22	53 97	60 27	56 91	67 83	63 63	61 53	17 43	22 89	32 13	40 32	22
23	56 54	63 14	59 62	71 6	66 66	64 46	18 26	23 98	33 66	42 24	23
24	59 11	66 1	62 33	74 29	69 69	67 39	19 9	25 7	35 19	44 16	24
25	61 68	68 88	65 4	77 52	72 72	70 32	19 92	26 16	36 72	46 8	25
26	64 25	71 75	67 75	80 75	75 75	73 25	20 75	27 25	38 25	48 0	26
27	66 82	74 62	70 46	83 98	78 78	76 18	21 58	28 34	39 78	49 92	27
28	69 39	77 49	73 17	87 21	81 81	79 11	22 41	29 43	41 31	51 84	28
29	71 96	80 36	75 88	90 44	84 84	82 4	23 24	30 52	42 84	53 76	29
30	74 53	83 23	78 59	93 67	87 87	84 97	24 7	31 61	44 37	55 68	30
	77 10	86 10	81 30	96 90	90 90	87 90	24 90	32 70	45 90	57 60	

APPENDIX III (D)

**Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the
number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in
the Match Manufacturing Trade**

No. of Days	Grade I				Grade II				Grade III				Grade IV	No. of Days	
	Adults		Young Persons		Adults		Young Persons		Adults		Young Persons		Watches		
	Male	Fe-male	Over 14 Under 17 Years	Over 17 Under 18 Years	Male	Fe-male	Over 14 Under 17 Years	Over 17 Under 18 Years	Male	Fe-male	Over 14 Under 17 Years	Over 17 Under 18 Years			
1	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	Rs. c.	1	
2	1 61½	1 38½	0 85	1 9½	1 41½	1 22½	0 77½	0 97	1 28½	1 10½	0 72½	0 92	1 46½	2	
3	3 23	2 77	1 70	2 19	2 83	2 45	1 55	1 94	2 57	2 21	1 45	1 84	2 93	3	
4	6 46	5 54	3 40	4 38	5 66	4 90	3 10	3 88	5 14	4 42	2 90	3 68	5 86	4	
5	9 69	8 31	5 10	6 57	8 49	7 35	4 65	5 82	7 71	6 63	4 35	5 52	8 79	5	
6	12 92	11 8	6 80	8 76	11 32	9 80	6 20	7 76	10 28	8 84	5 80	7 36	11 72	6	
7	16 15	13 85	8 50	10 95	14 15	12 25	7 75	9 70	12 85	11 5	7 25	9 20	14 65	7	
8	19 38	16 62	10 20	13 14	16 98	14 70	9 30	11 64	15 42	13 26	8 70	11 4	17 58	8	
9	22 61	19 39	11 90	15 33	19 81	17 15	10 85	13 58	17 99	15 47	10 15	12 88	20 51	9	
10	25 84	22 16	13 60	17 52	22 64	19 60	12 40	15 52	20 56	17 68	11 60	14 72	23 44	10	
11	29 7	24 93	15 30	19 71	25 47	22 5	13 95	17 46	23 13	19 89	13 5	16 56	26 37	11	
12	32 30	27 70	17 0	21 90	28 30	24 50	15 50	19 40	25 70	22 10	14 50	18 40	29 30	12	
13	35 53	30 47	18 70	24 9	31 13	26 95	17 5	21 34	28 27	24 31	15 95	20 24	32 23	13	
14	38 76	33 24	20 40	26 28	33 96	29 40	18 60	23 28	30 84	26 52	17 40	22 8	35 16	14	
15	41 99	36 1	22 10	28 47	36 79	31 85	20 15	25 22	33 41	28 73	18 85	23 92	38 9	15	
16	45 22	38 78	23 80	30 66	39 62	34 30	21 70	27 16	35 98	30 94	20 30	25 76	41 2	16	
17	48 45	41 55	25 50	32 85	42 45	36 75	23 25	29 10	38 55	33 15	21 75	27 60	43 95	17	
18	51 68	44 32	27 20	35 4	45 28	39 20	24 80	31 4	41 12	35 36	23 20	29 44	46 88	18	
19	54 91	47 9	28 90	37 23	48 11	41 65	26 35	32 98	43 69	37 57	24 65	31 28	49 81	19	
20	58 14	49 86	30 60	39 42	50 94	44 10	27 90	34 92	46 26	39 78	26 10	33 12	52 74	20	
21	61 37	52 63	32 30	41 61	53 77	46 55	29 45	36 86	48 83	41 99	27 55	34 96	55 67	21	
22	64 60	55 40	34 0	43 80	56 60	49 0	31 0	38 80	51 40	44 20	29 0	36 80	58 60	22	
23	67 83	58 17	35 70	45 99	59 43	51 45	32 55	40 74	53 97	46 41	30 45	38 64	61 53	23	
24	71 6	60 94	37 40	48 18	62 26	53 90	34 10	42 68	56 54	48 62	31 90	40 48	64 46	24	
25	74 29	63 71	39 10	50 37	65 9	56 35	35 65	44 62	59 11	50 83	33 35	42 32	67 39	25	
26	77 52	66 48	40 80	52 56	67 92	58 80	37 20	46 56	61 68	53 4	34 80	44 16	70 32	26	
27	80 75	69 25	42 50	54 75	70 75	61 25	38 75	48 50	64 25	55 25	36 25	46 0	73 25	27	
28	83 98	72 2	44 20	56 94	73 58	63 70	40 30	50 44	66 82	57 46	37 70	47 84	76 18	28	
29	87 21	74 79	45 90	59 13	76 41	66 15	41 85	52 38	69 39	59 67	39 15	49 68	79 11	29	
30	90 44	77 56	47 60	61 32	79 24	68 60	43 40	54 32	71 96	61 88	40 60	51 52	82 4	30	
	93 67	80 33	49 30	63 51	82 7	71 5	44 95	56 26	74 53	64 9	42 5	53 36	84 97		
	96 90	83 10	51 0	65 70	84 90	73 50	46 50	58 20	77 10	66 30	43 50	55 20	87 90	30	

APPENDIX III (E)

Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to workers in the Building Trade

No. of Days	Unskilled			Semi-skilled		Skilled	No. of Days
	Male	Female	Young Person	Grade II	Grade I		
1	Rs. c. 1 28½	Rs. c. 1 16½	Rs. c. 1 6½	Rs. c. 1 43½	Rs. c. 1 51½	Rs. c. 1 61½	1
2	2 57	2 33	2 13	2 87	3 3	3 23	2
3	5 14	4 66	4 26	5 74	6 6	6 46	3
4	7 71	6 99	6 39	8 61	9 9	9 69	4
5	10 28	9 32	8 52	11 48	12 12	12 92	5
6	12 85	11 65	10 65	14 35	15 15	16 15	6
7	15 42	13 98	12 78	17 22	18 18	19 38	7
8	17 99	16 31	14 91	20 9	21 21	22 61	8
9	20 56	18 64	17 4	22 96	24 24	25 84	9
10	23 13	20 97	19 17	25 83	27 27	29 7	10
11	25 70	23 30	21 30	28 70	30 30	32 30	11
12	28 27	25 63	23 43	31 57	33 33	35 53	12
13	30 84	27 96	25 56	34 44	36 36	38 76	13
14	33 41	30 29	27 69	37 31	39 39	41 99	14
15	35 98	32 62	29 82	40 18	42 42	45 22	15
16	38 55	34 95	31 95	43 5	45 45	48 45	16
17	41 12	37 28	34 8	45 92	48 48	51 68	17
18	43 69	39 61	36 21	48 79	51 51	54 91	18
19	46 26	41 94	38 34	51 66	54 54	58 14	19
20	48 83	44 27	40 47	54 53	57 57	61 37	20
21	51 40	46 60	42 60	57 40	60 60	64 60	21
22	53 97	48 93	44 73	60 27	63 63	67 83	22
23	56 54	51 26	46 86	63 14	66 66	71 6	23
24	59 11	53 59	48 99	66 1	69 69	74 29	24
25	61 68	55 92	51 12	68 88	72 72	77 52	25
26	64 25	58 25	53 25	71 75	75 75	80 75	26
27	66 82	60 58	55 38	74 62	78 78	83 98	27
28	69 39	62 91	57 51	77 49	81 81	87 21	28
29	71 96	65 24	59 64	80 36	84 84	90 44	29
30	74 53	67 57	61 77	83 23	87 87	93 67	30
	77 10	69 90	63 90	86 10	90 90	96 90	

“ Unskilled Male ” means a male unskilled labourer not under 18 years of age.

“ Unskilled Female ” means a female labourer not under 18 years of age.

“ Unskilled young Persons ” means a labourer (irrespective of sex) under 18 years of age.

APPENDIX III (F)

Ready Reckoner showing the Minimum Wages payable for the number of days worked during June, 1955, to Daily-Paid workers in the Motor Transport Trade

No. of Days	Class A	Class C	Class E	Class F	Class H	Class K	No. of Days
	Class B	Class D	Class G				
1	2 90	2 52½	2 15	2 27½	2 2½	1 28	1
2	5 80	5 5	4 30	4 55	4 5	2 56	1
3	11 60	10 10	8 60	9 10	8 10	5 12	2
4	17 40	15 15	12 90	13 65	12 15	7 68	3
5	23 20	20 20	17 20	18 20	16 20	10 24	4
6	29 0	25 25	21 50	22 75	20 25	12 80	5
7	34 80	30 30	25 80	27 30	24 30	15 36	6
8	40 60	35 35	30 10	31 85	28 35	17 92	7
9	46 40	40 40	34 40	36 40	32 40	20 48	8
10	52 20	45 45	38 70	40 95	36 45	23 4	9
11	58 0	50 50	43 0	45 50	40 50	25 60	10
12	63 80	55 55	47 30	50 5	44 55	28 16	11
13	69 60	60 60	51 60	54 60	48 60	30 72	12
14	75 40	65 65	55 90	59 15	52 65	33 28	13
15	81 20	70 70	60 20	63 70	56 70	35 84	14
16	87 0	75 75	64 50	68 25	60 75	38 40	15
17	92 80	80 80	68 80	72 80	64 80	40 96	16
18	98 60	85 85	73 10	77 35	68 85	43 52	17
19	104 40	90 90	77 40	81 90	72 90	46 8	18
20	110 20	95 95	81 70	86 45	76 95	48 64	19
21	116 0	101 0	86 0	91 0	81 0	51 20	20
22	121 80	106 5	90 30	95 55	85 5	53 76	21
23	127 60	111 10	94 60	100 10	89 10	56 32	22
24	133 40	116 15	98 90	104 65	93 15	58 88	23
25	139 20	121 20	103 20	109 20	97 20	61 44	24
26	145 0	126 25	107 50	113 75	101 25	64 0	25
27	150 80	131 30	111 80	118 30	105 30	66 56	26
28	156 60	136 35	116 10	122 85	109 35	69 12	27
29	162 40	141 40	120 40	127 40	113 40	71 68	28
30	168 20	146 45	124 70	131 95	117 45	74 24	29
	174 0	151 50	129 0	136 50	121 50	76 80	30

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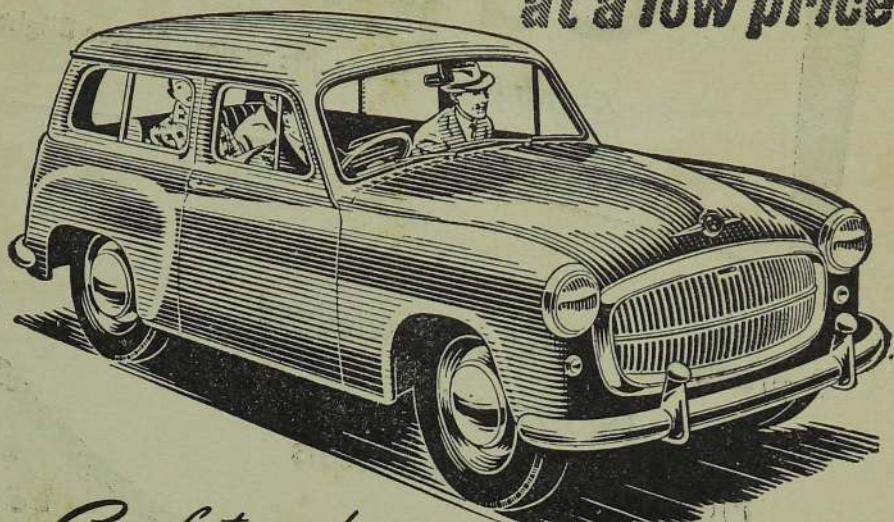
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