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PUBLIC RECORDS OFFICE MOVING INTO NEW PREMISES

The Public Records Office will be moving into new premises in the Murray Road multi-storey car park building this October.

This Office provides a centralised service in the selection and preservation of government archives, or permanently valuable public records.

These archives and public records are kept for official reference and, under approved conditions, for private research.

Mr. A.I. Diamond, the Archivist in charge, said that work on the compilation of material had been progressing smoothly since the Office opened in July last year.

His staff had compiled over 1,000 feet of public records, from various government departments, and it is estimated that there will be a stock of nearly 5,000 feet by 1974.

These measurements refer to the footage of shelving occupied by records stored in standard cartons lodged in mobile storage bays mounted on rails for space economy and easy access.

"Sometimes we have to locate a certain document within ten minutes," Mr. Diamond said, "but our finding aids are such that we are able to do this without much difficulty."

There is also a supply of photographs, including an interesting collection obtained from the Royal Hong Kong Regiment (The Volunteers) depicting manoeuvres, buildings, equipment and personnel.

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For the sake of economy, they often purchase microfilm copies of the documents during a brief visit.

The Public Records Office will be moving into the ground and mezzanine floors of the new Murray Road car park.

Storage space in the new premises is expected to be about 20,000 feet.

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VARIETY SHOW IN SHA TAU KOK

A variety show has been organised for residents of the Sha Tau Kok area tomorrow (Wednesday) night in the Sha Tau Kok Government School to celebrate the Lunar New Year.

The two-hour programme will include oriental dance, folk song, lion dance and a band concert by the Tai Kwong Middle School.

The show is jointly organised by the Fanling Rotary Youth Centre of the Social Welfare Department and the Sha Tau Kok Adult Education and Recreation Centre of the Education Department.

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Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to cover the event. The show will begin at 7 p.m.

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LIVE RADIO COVERAGE OF BUDGET SESSIONS

Financial Secretary To Go On Air For Short Budget Talk

There will be live radio coverage on Wednesday when the Financial Secretary, the Hon. C.P. Haddon-Cave, presents his budget proposals to the Legislative Council.

For the first time, in addition to the English Services, the Chinese Services of Radio Hong Kong will broadcast the session live through simultaneous translation, starting at 2.30 p.m.

The Financial Secretary will go on radio and television on Wednesday evening to give a short talk on the Budget.

This can be heard in Radio Hong Kong's "Topics PM" at 6.10 p.m.; in Commercial Radio's News Bulletin at 6 p.m. and on TVB and RTV at 7.30 p.m.

Mr. Lau Wah-sum, Assistant Financial Secretary, will give a similar talk in Chinese.

He can be heard at 7 p.m. on "Topical Events" of Radio Hong Kong's Chinese Service, at 6.03 p.m. on "Topical Events" of Commercial Radio's Chinese Service, and on TVB and RTV at 7.55 p.m. and 10.15 p.m. respectively.

Highlights and excerpts from the Budget Day session will be carried in the regular news services of the television and radio stations.

HK-TV will screen extracts during news broadcasts at 7 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. on their English and Chinese Channels respectively.

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RTV will do the same in their Chinese and English Services at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

In addition, they will run a repeat broadcast in their 11 a.m. morning news the following day.

The remaining Budget sessions on March 14, 15 and 28 will also be covered live by the English and Chinese services of Radio Hong Kong.

Again, all radio and television stations will broadcast highlights of the budget debates in their regular news services.

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WATER CUT

A number of premises in the Western District and Kowloon City will be without water for five hours from 1 a.m. on March 1.

This is to allow work on a leakage test to be carried out.

The premises affected in the Western District are bounded by Smithfield to Queen's Road West, and Belcher's Street to Praya.

The premises affected in Kowloon City are bounded by Prince Edward Road, Junction Road, Carpenter Road and Nga Tsin Long Road.

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RESCUED TWO BOYS IN FIRE

Bravery Recognised

A public-spirited citizen, Mr. Woo Sun, will be presented with a Certificate of Commendation by the Fire Services Department on Friday (March 2) for his bravery in rescuing two children in a fire on New Year's Day.

Mr. Woo, a resident of the Kwai Chung Resettlement Estate, was painting his flat on January 1 when he heard shouts for help from a neighbouring flat.

He immediately rushed to the scene and rescued two brothers, Ng Kam-wah and Kam-fai, from the burning flat.

In the course of rescuing the brothers, Mr. Woo incurred burns on his feet, and was rushed to hospital for treatment.

The Chief Fire Officer, N.T. Command, Mr. F. Jackson, will present the Certificate to Mr. Woo in a ceremony to be held at 12 noon in the Kwai Chung Public Enquiry Service Centre.

Mr. Woo, 45 years old, works as a sound-recorder in a film studio.

Note to Editors: You are cordially invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to cover the presentation ceremony. The Centre is located at Block 26 of the Kwai Chung Resettlement Estate.

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SHEK KIP MEI PUBLIC ASSISTANCE UNIT

Operating In New Premises

The Shek Kip Mei Public Assistance Unit of the Social Welfare Department will be operating from a new address at 234, Tai Po Road, ground floor from tomorrow (Wednesday).

The unit's telephone numbers are 3-708613, 3-708462 and 3-709095.

Until now the unit has been temporarily accommodated at 88 Yu Chau Street, ground floor, in the same premises as the Sham Shui Po Public Assistance Unit, which will continue to operate from that address.

At its new office in Tai Po Road, the Shek Kip Mei Unit will be more conveniently located for serving the needs of people living in the areas of Shek Kip Mei, Pak Tin, Tai Wo Ping, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon Chai, Tai Hang Tung and Tai Hang Sai.

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VISITS TO VOLUNTARY AGENCIES BY WIFE OF
DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Mrs. Li Fook-kow, wife of the Director of Social Welfare, will be making a series of weekly visits to centres operated by voluntary social welfare agencies during the next two months.

The visits will start on Thursday, March 1, when Mrs. Li will go to Western District for a tour of the Ling Yuet Sin Infants' Home and the Women's Welfare Club Nursery, both of which are subvented by Government.

She will be accompanied by Mrs. Cynthia Lee Young, Principal Social Welfare Officer of the Western District Office of the Social Welfare Department.

Mrs. Li will arrive at the Ling Yuet Sin Infants' Home, 54 Pokfulam Road, at 10:10 a.m.

She will be met by the superintendent, Mother Ginglietta Tomasetto, and spend 50 minutes touring the home, which is operated by Sisters of the Canossian Convent.

It provides short-term accommodation for a maximum of 60 infants from birth up to the age of six, and a day nursery for 80 children between the ages of three and six.

At 11:15 a.m. Mrs. Li will arrive at the Women's Welfare Club Nursery, 60 Bridges Street, where she will be met by the president of the Club, Mrs. Cheung Young Tai-fun, and two other officials.

She will spend 30 minutes touring the nursery which provides day care services for 160 children aged from two to six.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to send a reporter/photographer to cover Mrs. Li's visits.

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RICE DEALERS URGED TO RESTRAIN THEIR PRICES

Prices Dropping Today

The Director of Commerce and Industry, Mr. D.H. Jordan, has called on rice dealers to exercise their influence to restrain their prices and remove supply uncertainties.

He made the appeal yesterday (Monday) in a meeting with rice importers and representatives of wholesalers.

The meeting followed recent increases in the price of rice and some public uncertainty regarding the adequacy of supplies.

Mr. Jordan reviewed the supply and stock position and indicated that there did not seem to him to be an economic basis for the present level of prices.

There was also no substance to any suggestion that rice was in short supply on the local market.

A spokesman for the Commerce and Industry Department said today that current stocks in Hong Kong exceeded two months supply.

He stressed that the stocks were, in fact, higher than at this time last year.

"It is gratifying to note that auction prices this morning were substantially lower than yesterday's.

"Thai rice 100 per cent whole dropped from \$136 per picul to \$109, and South China Jien from \$131 to \$121.

"It is expected that prices will ease further within the next few days."

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