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DR. RAYSON HUANG JOINS COMMISSION ON TEACHERS

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, Dr. Rayson Lisung Huang, has been appointed to the commission set up to examine the underlying causes of the recent Certificated Masters' dispute.

He replaces the late Bishop Francis Hsu, who died shortly after the commission was announced last month.

One of the University of Hong Kong's most distinguished graduates, Dr. Huang was Vice-Chancellor of Nanyang University in Singapore before he returned to Hong Kong in September last year to take up his present post.

Dr. Huang is married with two sons aged 21 and 18. Born in Swatow, Kwantung Province, he moved to Hong Kong in 1925. Since completing his school education in 1938 at Munsang College, of which his father was headmaster, he has been closely associated with the university world. As a Government Scholar, he then became a student at the University of Hong Kong, of which he holds the B.Ss. degree and the honorary degree of Doctor of Science.

He is a Doctor of Philosophy and Doctor of Science of Oxford University and Doctor of Science of the University of Malaya; and was engaged in university teaching and research during the 26 years before 1969, including three and a half years at the University of Chicago and 10 as professor and head of the department of chemistry and for a period as Dean of the Faculty of Science at the University of Malaya.

He is the author of a large number of distinguished research papers published in learned journals, and has been an external examiner in chemistry at Hong Kong's two universities.

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Since 1970 he has been President of the Association of Southeast Asian Institutions of Higher Learning.

Dr. Huang's fellow members on the commission, which followed on a settlement to the protracted negotiations on the pay scales of Certificated Masters, are Mr. T.K. Ann (Chairman) and Miss Bobbie M. Kotewall.

The commission's term of reference are:

To examine the underlying causes of the dispute which arose between the Certificated Masters in government and aided schools and the government, including existing channels of communication and promotion prospects; and

To advise on what measures, apart from the newly announced salary scales, should be taken to obviate a recurrence of such a dispute affecting teachers employed in government and aided schools.

Following Dr. Huang's appointment, the commission has arranged, over the coming weeks, to meet with various bodies who might be able to assist in their deliberations.

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NEED FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO HELP IN CAMPAIGNS

Young people can make a significant contribution to the "Keep Hong Kong Clean" and the "Fight Violent Crime" Campaigns initiated by the government and the community.

Speaking to students at the graduation ceremony of the Ju Ching Chu English College today, the District Commissioner, New Territories, Mr. I.F.C. Macpherson, said he noted that the aim of the college was "cultivating useful citizenship."

"Your education to date will go a long way towards fitting you for employment in the community, but formal education in itself does not make citizens out of you," he said.

Mr Macpherson urged the students to do what they can to support the two public campaigns "as a useful citizen should do in order to make Hong Kong a happier, cleaner and safer place to live in."

Ju Ching Chu College was established in 1966 and now has an enrolment of 1,200 students.

It provides much needed educational facilities for the growing township of Tsuen Wan.

There are plans for a new school building and the government has agreed in principle to grant a free site for the project.

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Note to Editors: Copies of the full text in English are boxed today.

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RECLAMATION FOR TUEN MUN MOTORWAY

A section of seashore near Tai Lam Chung in the New Territories will be reclaimed as part of a plan to construct a new six-lane motorway.

This high-capacity motorway, named Tuen Mun Road, will be some nine miles long and will connect the two fast-developing towns of Tsuen Wan and Tuen Mun (Castle Peak).

The road will be constructed in two stages. The first stage includes the building of one three-lane carriageway over the whole length of the road and the building of both carriageways at certain locations.

One of these locations is at Tai Lam Chung where the road will cross the bay on a causeway.

This section of road will be about 2,200 feet long and will have a grade separated interchange at the western end.

Approaching the eastern end of the causeway, the existing Castle Peak Road will be realigned onto a reclaimed embankment stretching a quarter of a mile around Brothers Point.

The extent of the proposed works is described in detail in a notice in the latest government gazette.

Anyone having objections to the proposal or who has any claim of private right should submit them in writing to the Director of Public Works within two months of the date of gazetting.

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LABOUR DISPUTE SETTLED AMICABLY

Some 120 daily and piece-rated workers of Arts Footwear Manufacturing Limited of Castle Peak have received a total of about \$70,000 as severance pay and attendance bonuses following the closing down of the factory.

The payment was made yesterday at the San Po Kong Office of the Labour Relations Service of the Labour Department.

It brought to an end a dispute which arose on May 30 out of a prolonged lay-off of workers owing to the expiry of the lease on the factory premises.

The money was paid to workers in accordance with an agreement reached between the management and workers of the company after two sessions of conciliation meetings held at the Labour Department on May 31.

Under the agreement, workers received 20 days' wages as severance pay. In addition, qualified workers in the gumming section received good attendance bonuses.

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RAIN CLOSES ROAD SECTION

A section of the westbound carriageway of Argyle Street has been closed to traffic to facilitate emergency repairs to a hole in the road which has developed as a result of the recent rain.

The section of the carriageway affected is between Kowloon City Roundabout and the end of the down ramp of the flyover there.

Temporary traffic arrangements have been introduced to regulate vehicular traffic.

Vehicles going to Argyle Street from Kowloon City Roundabout will go via Prince Edward Road and Lomond Road. Those travelling to premises on the south side of Argyle Street between Fu Ning Street and Kowloon City Roundabout will have to go via the down ramp of the flyover.

K.M.B. bus routes 2A, 2B 9, 9A and 13D on westbound journeys have been diverted via Prince Edward Road and Lomond Road.

The emergency repair work is expected to take about six weeks.

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IMPROVED DRAINAGE FOR SHA TIN

A large culvert, costing more than \$5 million, will be constructed in Sha Tin as part of the public works programme to develop the new town.

It will serve as the main drain channelling off stormwater from the valley to the north-east of To Fung Shan as well as surface run-off from parts of the new town into Tide Cove.

The culvert, to be built in reinforced concrete, will consist of four cells, each measuring 8 feet by 9 feet and will be 1,100 feet long.

Construction work, to be supervised by consultant engineers, will begin next month and will take about 20 months to complete.

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D.I.B. ISSUE TOMORROW

Note to Editors: There will be an issue of the daily information bulletin tomorrow (Sunday). It will be available for collection from the G.I.S. press room at 2.30 p.m. on that day.

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PROMOTION FOR SECOND GOVERNMENT LOTTERY

Four well-known Radio Hong Kong personalities will be selling Government Lottery tickets at a temporary ticket selling booth in Statue Square on Monday (June 18) between 5 p.m. and 6 p.m.

They are Miss Susanna Lung, Miss Elaine Sung, Miss Maria Lo, and Miss Lencie Yeung.

At the same time, another group of Radio Hong Kong artists will perform a 'live drama' on an open-air stage next to the selling booth as a way of promoting the sale of lottery tickets.

The winning numbers for the second government lottery this year will be drawn by the four personalities on June 23, at the City Hall Concert Hall.

By 12.00 noon today a total of 537,000 tickets had been sold. Ticket sales will close at 9 p.m. on Friday (June 22) at the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club booth at the Star Ferry Concourse.

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Note to Editors: You are invited to send a reporter and/or photographer to cover the event on Monday afternoon at the Statue Square, next to the Prince's Building.

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