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(b) The number of recruits obtained from Bihar and Orissa during the war was:—

(1) Combatants	7,270
(2) Non-combatants	21,621

Information as to the number of Rajput recruits is not available.

(c) In view of the circumstances stated in (b) above, Government are unable to answer this question.

(d) The claims of communities in the larger sense and of services rendered during the war are taken into account in making appointments, but Government cannot undertake to make this the sole criterion.

OPENING OF A COLLEGE AT RANCHI.

46. Rai Bahadur SHARAT CHANDRA RAY: Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) how far arrangements for opening a college at Ranchi have progressed, and

(b) whether the college will be started from July 1925?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS: (a) A scheme has been prepared for opening I.A. classes at Ranchi and will take its chance with other new schemes in the next year's budget.

(b) Yes: if the money is voted by the Legislative Council.

Babu KRISHNA BALLABH SAHAY: Will the Government be pleased to state whether the scheme has been published?

The Hon'ble Sir SAIYID MUHAMMAD FAKHR-UD-DIN, Khan Bahadur: You will know when I shall introduce the budget. The scheme is not of sufficient importance to be published. The I. A. classes will be opened in the present zila school building, and ultimately the lower classes of the school will have to be located elsewhere for which additional buildings will have to be constructed and I am coming to the Council for a grant. That is the long and short of the scheme.

REPRESENTATION OF MUHAMMADANS ON GOVERNMENT, HIGH AND OTHER SCHOOLS IN DARBHANGA DISTRICT.

47. Maulavi SAIDUL HAQQ: (a) Will the Government be pleased to state if there is a Muhammadan representative in

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the managing committee of each Government high school, and other schools, Government aided or unaided, in the Darbhanga district?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to state if they propose to have a Muhammadan representative on the managing committee of each school in which the Muhammadan community is yet unrepresented?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS: (a) The Inspector of Schools, who is a Muhammadan, is a member of the managing committee of each of the Government high schools in the district and the question of adding another Muhammadan member is under consideration. According to the latest information available the only other high schools in the district which have no Muhammadans on their managing committees are the Darbhanga Raj school (unaided) and the Madhepur high school (aided).

(b) The number of Muhammadan boys in these two schools is only 13 and 12, respectively, but the school authorities will be asked to consider the desirability of adding a Muhammadan member in each case.

PAY AND PROSPECTS OF LECTURERS AND DEMONSTRATORS.

48. Babu GUR SAHAY LAL: Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether they have accepted the recommendations of the committee appointed to consider the pay and prospects of lecturers and demonstrators in the Subordinate Educational Service;

(b) if the answer to (a) be in the affirmative, whether the Government intend to give effect to the said recommendations with retrospective effect from April 1924;

(c) the reasons, if any, for not publishing the evidence of witnesses recorded by, and the written statements submitted to, the said committee?

Mr. B. A. COLLINS: (a) Government have accepted the recommendations of the committee with certain modifications. The scheme as finally sanctioned will take its chance with other new schemes in the budget for 1925-26.

(b) No.