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My dear Masani,

I have duly received your telegram and the papers sent by Air.

I have not made any alterations in your note on the amendment of our Constitution. Let it go as you have drafted it. But I would like you to add a para on the following lines:

" The character of an agitational mass backing for the party which is the main objective of a four anna membership is not given up. It is retained in the scheme in the shape of a roll of Associates. We may give any suitable name to the two enrolments if the word 'associate' is not good enough. We may call one a roll of 'active workers' and the other a roll of 'Swatantra ~~veterans~~ members' "

I have more than glanced through the long and eloquent (without being wordy) report of the General Secretary. I have made a very few verbal alterations which can be made without difficulty. But I suggest the following additions in your own language to be inserted in appropriate places:

- (i) A reference to Mr. Munshi for unfailing help to the General Secretary whenever approached.
- (ii) In addition to thanking the staff of the Central Office you may put in a sentence thanking the State branches and their Executives.

I am returning all the galleys and typescript pages. There will of course be stiff opposition to the withdrawal of voting power from enrolled members. We may be eventually forced to make a compromise of half and half of some kind.

I am well but I am still easily fatigued. I have sent a letter to Bangalore in anticipation of their appeals that they should stick to the Hall for the party convention and not think of a Pandal.

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Sri Masani

You have quoted from "Commerce" in the General Secretary's report. Instead of putting it that we don't stand for a " free market economy" as Commerce puts it I would prefer we repudiate ~~the~~ charge of standing for 'laissez faire' and keep " free market economy" out of the para. So I have suggested an alteration in the paragraph.

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Yours sincerely,

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encls: as above.

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