

PREFACE

This book is compilation of Essays on English Usage written by U Ko Ko (SUN SIT). In his retirement he spent his leisure hours writing articles under the name of "SUN SIT" and "MOTLEY KO KO". His articles were published in the Working People's Daily in 1980s. These articles were compiled and published in three volumes: September 1982, December 1984 and January 1986.

U Ko Ko was educated at St. Paul's English High School and the University of Yangon (Rangoon) where he took an honours' degree in English in 1934. He holds a post graduate degree in Law and diplomas in Management and Administration and in International Relations.

He was the Editor of the English Section of the University College Magazine of his day and contributed articles to that Magazine and to the newspapers of that period under the name "College Cuckoo". He conceived the "Red Cross Journal" in 1962 and was its editor till 1971.

Tun Foundation Literary Committee, appreciating the educational value and knowledge of English these articles could impart to the present generation and generations to come, has purchased the copyright, re-printed and published in one volume, all the articles on Essays on English Usage written by U Ko Ko (SUN SIT) found in the three volumes published in the 1980s.

In compiling the three volumes into one volume only layout changes have been made and all the texts have been kept intact. The changes made are the explanatory sentences in Myanmar which have been placed, for ease of reference, immediately after each word as end-notes, except those in the third volume which have been appropriately kept intact as they appear in the original volume. Also, the index for each volume has been re-located following the three volume compilation and the entries for the three indices have been re-arranged alphabetically for ease of reference.

Tun Foundation Literary Committee wishes an enjoyable and educative reading to all our readers.

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