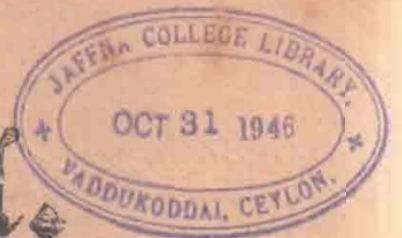


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SHOWDOWN IN MIDDLE EAST

Battle for Iran

The British-Soviet duel over Iran shows that Great Britain is losing in Iran and with that control of the Middle East, thus exposing her empire life line. This crisis is only a part of major empire policy crisis, writes Max Werner in *PM*, New York.

This "battle for Iran" is indeed a peculiar dispute. There is no private Soviet-Iranian dispute as there is no private Turkish-Soviet conflict. Iranian sovereignty and the inviolability of the Soviet frontiers are not at stake. Soviet-British-American relations in the Middle East region are. In the Middle East, the appeal of Soviet diplomacy is not to Teheran and Ankara but to London and Washington.

Max Werner sums up the Soviet attitude as follows:

The Soviet Union supports the complete independence of Iran and of Turkey. But this independence must work in all directions and must be asserted towards all the Great Powers. It is absurd to consider Soviet policy in Iran similar to Hitler's Sudeten demands preceding the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia. The Soviet Union does not consider the Middle East as its Lebensraum. In the early '30s, the independence of Turkey and Iran, threatened by Great Britain, were saved with Russian help.

What Soviet diplomacy opposes are the special privileges of the other Great Powers in Iran and Turkey. It insists on equality and reciprocity. In the Soviet concept Iran and Turkey have the same relation to Soviet strategic interests as the Low Countries to Britain and Mexico to the United States.

Summing up the British interest Werner says:

Because Britain has economic influence in Iran far superior to the Soviet Union, Soviet diplomacy requires guarantees against eventual British political and military penetration. Russia does not oppose the British exploitation of the south Iranian oil fields, but it strikes against the Anglo-Persian oil Co. making the policy of Iran. The best guarantee of Soviet security in the Middle East is the real independence of Iran and Turkey.

The actual British positions in Iran are obviously inadequate. The Soviet Union is the neighbour of Iran; Britain is not. The Soviet Union has a land frontier with Iran. Britain has to support its influence through arduous 4,000 mile long sea communications. If there is to be a seesaw of British pressure and Soviet counter-pressure, Britain will lose.

There is hardly any remedy against the basic political and strategic weakness of Great Britain

200 SOVIET DIVISIONS!

CHURCHILL QUESTIONS GOVERNMENT

There are more than 200 Soviet divisions on a war footing in the occupied territories of Europe according to Mr. Winston Churchill who put this statement in the form of a question in the House of Commons last week.

The Minister of State Mr. Hector Mc. Neil replying for the Government said he was unable to say whether this was correct, adding: "But it is of course, well known that there are very considerable Russian forces in other countries."

In this region, Iran is situated in the centre of the former zone of British influence, now stricken by crisis. All of the land approaches to the Turkish-Iranian space are in fermentation—or lost. Britain has given up its positions in the Balkans, except for isolated and unquiet Greece. The major crisis in India is impending. It will become increasingly difficult to exert the British influence in Iran via the Arab States.

By favouring the independence of the Arab States, Britain is sapping its control over the land routes leading to the Persian Gulf, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Transjordan, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq have no real power, but they can very well blackmail their British partner, and they are doing it. Egypt, Syria, and Lebanon are already demanding the evacuation of the British garrisons. This general crisis in the Middle East will be certainly felt in the dispute over Iran—and not in the British favour.

But the crisis goes even deeper. Great Britain cannot defend its Empire positions by digging in the social swamp of the Middle East. Socially, economically, politically the Middle East is probably the most backward area of the world today. If the Middle East is assigned the role of middle link in the British Empire, it will be a very unreliable link indeed.

The entire Middle East today is brittle politically and socially. The feudal landlords and the big speculators of Iran are now inefficient allies for Britain. In order to get rid of the strong-minded Riza Shah, Britain has brought in a weak government in Iran which is much more amenable to Soviet pressure. By supporting the present set of weak rulers in Middle East, Britain is weakening her own vital Empire positions.

DIVINITY OF CHRIST

Goering Refused To Accept

Among the last words of Hermann Goering who committed suicide last week were: "I believe in God, my father. I believe that God is too great and too busy to occupy himself with such small matters as the fate of Hermann Goering."

These words, he spoke with conviction to the American Chaplain, H. F. Gerecke, who saw Goering shortly before he took the fatal dose of Cyanide.

Gerecke told how Goering had requested Communion before he committed suicide but was refused. "I was unable to dispense Communion to Goering because he did not accept the divinity of Jesus Christ, who instituted the Sacrament," Gerecke said.

British Arm German Prisoners!

A Moscow Radio broadcast said that the Army Newspaper *Red Star* has charged that the British were heavily fortifying the Suez Canal zone and arming German

Complete Independence For India

Complete freedom for India in two years was forecast by Mr. Harold Laski in the course of a statement issued by him to the American Press.

He added that India would have to decide after that whether to stay in the British Commonwealth or not.

Mr. Laski said that a Free India would be a greater asset than an enslaved India. Free India would be a great boon to the Far East.

He said he saw no danger of another war, adding: "No Government wants war and I doubt whether any Government could get its people to fight, and that includes Russia."

war prisoners. The radio quoting a column entitled "Themes of the Day" signed by Fedulov said: "Engineers and sapper units employ German prisoners of war of whom there are more than 350,000 in Egypt. By the order of the Near East G. H. Q. a special sapper corps has been formed from these Germans commanded by German officers."

"The security arrangement of this corps is in the hands of Germans themselves who are armed for this purpose," the column said.

FUTURE OF MALAYAN CEYLONESE

"Malaya is Still a Land with Opportunity"

Terminating his Mission in Malaya Mr. A. I. Rajasingham, Ceylon Government Representative prior to sailing with over a thousand Ceylonese for home aboard the Queen of Bermuda issued a message in which he referred to the general question on the lips of Ceylonese: "what is our future?"

Ceylonese Mr. Rajasingham said wanted to know whether the Malaya of tomorrow will be a land of equal rights and privileges and equal opportunity between all settlers or whether there will be reserved rights for special groups amongst the settlers.

Mr. Rajasingham believes that the men at the helm of affairs in Malaya will not wilfully permit any discrimination and Ceylonese have nothing to fear.

Malaya is still a land with a future and a land of opportunity for Ceylonese.

"I believe in it firmly enough and want to stake my future in this country, living as a private citizen and trying to earn a living as a lawyer," concluded Mr. Rajasingham.

To Mark New Constitution

In view of the considerable interest shown by Ceylonese in Malaya in the historic and unique event

taking place in May next year, the opening of Ceylon's Parliament Mr. E. E. C. Thuraisingham, President of the Ceylon Federation of Malaya, is launching a drive to commemorate the occasion by establishing a home for aged Ceylonese who by reason of long residence in Malaya and having no ties with the Island desire to settle down here.

Ceylonese of Malaya owe the deepest gratitude towards their countrymen at home and the Government of Ceylon for the genuine interest and sympathy shown them as a result of this war by sending out representatives to provide assistance to those in need and bearing the entire cost of repatriation of distressed Ceylonese who otherwise may have been the darkest blot in the chapter of the proud achievements of Ceylonese development and growth in Malaya," says Mr. Thuraisingham, who believes a home for the aged here will not only enhance the reputation of the Ceylonese in Malaya but will be a memorial of the greatness of the country and the people of Ceylon.

Mr. Thuraisingham hopes that if Malaya is one of the countries invited to the official ceremonies the Malayan delegation would include representatives of the Ceylonese communities resident here.



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THE INTERNAL PURCHASE SCHEME

THE CONTROLLER OF THE Internal Purchase Scheme announces that the Government has "bought" from the producers 2,299,500 bushels of paddy from January to September this year. In addition to the princely sum of Rs. 6 per bushel paid by Mr. Senanayake's Government in the year 1945 the latter had to meet a direct subsidy of Rs. 7,500,000 and an indirect subsidy of Rs. 2,338,000. The indirect subsidy consisted of the free supply of manure and implements, the organisation of competitions and the construction of village irrigation schemes. It would be interesting to know how the direct subsidy of seven and a half millions of rupees is made up. If, as the Controller says, the Government distributed the paddy collected at less than cost, we should like to ask why this was done. We presume that what is grandiloquently called the direct subsidy is the loss sustained by the Government in the distribution of paddy. In other words, Mr. D. S. Senanayake has been robbing Peter in the person of the harassed tax-payer to pay Paul.

As we have urged repeatedly in these columns, it is wrong to call the requisitioning of paddy by the highly respectable name of purchase. In the case of the latter, there are two parties to the contract and there is such a thing as a price agreed upon between the parties. Under the Internal Purchase Scheme, however, the State has arbitrarily fixed Rs. 6 as the price per bushel. It does not matter a whit that, as far as Jaffna is concerned, the cost of production is much greater. Prices, according to Mr. Senanayake, are not based on any known, definite material. They are to be evolved out of one's inner consciousness.

The Controller assures the public that under this scheme, there is no harassing of cultivators. We are afraid that this is not correct. There is a good deal of harassing and there is also a good deal of injustice involved in the process of requisitioning. As election time approaches Mr. Senanayake and his minors may call the thing by any name they like, but the victims know what it is, and, if they are true to themselves, they will unite regardless of race or creed to turn out of office a Government which has abused the confidence reposed in it. Our charge against Mr. Senanayake is that he has reduced the cultivator to the position of a helot and he has got to answer it before the bar of public opinion.

WHY CO-OPERATION IS IMPOSSIBLE

By The Editor

In the course of a letter published in the "Times of Ceylon" of the 26th instant, Mr. S. Sivasubramaniam, till lately Secretary of the All-Ceylon Tamil Congress, defends the action of the Tamil representatives in the State Council in voting for the White Paper, and asks that the Tamil leaders including these representatives should co-operate among themselves and with the leaders of the other communities in working the new constitution. With the last suggestion few Tamils would be prepared to disagree. It is his defence of those who voted for the White Paper and his appeal for co-operation of the Tamil leaders among themselves that call for comment.

With regard to the voting in favour of the White Paper, it may be stated at once that Mr. Sivasubramaniam did his best to prevent it. I do not blame him for it, but it is best to know the facts. Before the voting took place Mr. Sivasubramaniam wired to me and others in Jaffna to request the Tamil representatives not to support the White Paper. I refrained from taking any action on this telegram as I felt that the Tamil members should be free to decide the matter in the light of circumstances they knew best. The voting then took place and I sought in the columns of the "Hindu Organ" to justify what was done in the hope that this would pave the way for a better understanding between the two communities. Mr. Sivasubramaniam, however, would not rest till he had communicated from the ranks of the Tamil Congress those members whom he regarded as rebels. While Mr. Sivasubramaniam was busy in this fashion, I was hoping not only that there would be greater unity between the Singhalese and Tamils but also that the Tamil leaders too could be persuaded to stand together and see that the interests of the Tamils did not suffer in working the new Constitution. Instead, however, of realising the vital importance of unity among the Tamil leaders, what Messrs. Mahadeva and Natesan did was to give their allegiance to Mr. D. S. Senanayake when he formed the United National Party without consulting the other Tamil

leaders or the Tamil Community. I have reason to believe that it was Mr. Mahadeva who took the lead in this matter and that Mr. Natesan obediently followed him. For many reasons this move spelt danger to the Tamils. Its immediate object was to bring about the political ostracism of Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam and the Tamil Congress. Mr. Mahadeva must have known what the consequences of his action would be. Many of us were certainly prepared to bring pressure to bear on Mr. Ponnambalam to accept the inevitable and co-operate in working the new Constitution, but we are not prepared to let Mr. Mahadeva impose on the Tamils a course of action which would for ever brand the Tamil race with ingratitude towards a man who had defended the Tamil cause regardless of consequences. It seemed to me then that Mr. Mahadeva's policy of moderation, which I had defended in these columns, was designed to achieve this one end—the dissolution of the Tamil Congress and the political assassination of Mr. Ponnambalam. He was to be as free as the birds of the air, free to lay down policies with no better inspiration than that furnished by Mr. D. S. Senanayake and his friends. Once the law was laid down as firmly and as broadly as circumstances would permit, then the Tamils had no choice but to follow.

It was here that Mr. Mahadeva and his tools have been guilty of a grave miscalculation. I was one of those who helped to thrust Mr. Mahadeva on the Jaffna electorate. I did so because I fully believed that the son of Sir Ponnambalam Arunachalam would lead the Tamils with honour and wisdom. When Mr. Mahadeva talked of settlement with the Singhalese leaders I supported him. None of us, however, ever imagined that the summit of Mr. Mahadeva's aspirations was nothing greater than a species of hereditary leadership of the good people of Jaffna propped up by Mr. D. S. Senanayake and the United National Party. Co-operation is not possible with men of this type. As with the Romans, so with the Tamils, there can be only one objective: *dominus est Ceylago*.

Notes and Comments

U. N. P. Manifesto

The manifesto of the United National Party has now been printed in Tamil; and some of the local quislings are distributing copies of it in the dark. The manifesto affords good reading. All good things under the sun are mentioned in the manifesto and the ignorant villager is told by his nocturnal visitors that all these utopian ideals will be accomplished when Mr. Senanayake and his team are once more installed in office after the Parliamentary elections. It is time that the thinking section of the public put a stop to these misleading propagandists. The Senanayake caucus has been in power for the last 15 years; and what has prevented them from putting into practice all these good ideals which they now propose to do in the next Parliament. Mr. Senanayake and his henchmen, who now adorn the U. N. P., have been given rather a long rope during the last so many years. They have been tried and found wanting. Now they should acknowledge defeat and beat a hasty retreat. Instead, they are determined to deceive the common man. You can deceive some men for long; and many for a short time.

But you cannot deceive all people all the time.

The Bengal Carnage

Harrowing stories of mass murder, rape and arson in the Eastern parts of Bengal are reaching us. Since October 10, on a most conservative estimate 6000 people have lost their lives and 50000 have lost their worldly belongings. We are told that the majority of the affected are Hindus, and that Muslim goondas have determined to establish a sort of Pakistany in that part of Bengal: compulsory mass conversions of Hindu women, and rape are being carried on, we are told, on an un-precedented scale. These vile atrocities are being perpetrated under the very eyes of the Muslim League Government in Bengal. This Government has miserably failed to do its duty and surrendered its rights and power to a Muslim Goonda Raj. This should stop at once lest it rightly inflame the Hindus all over India. It will be a sad day for the minority Muslims, if the Hindus all over the sub-continent in exasperation think of retaliation. Let the Muslim League note the writing on the wall. The Hindus have never been

Four More Arrests

Four more railway workmen (in addition to the three men already arrested)—Kinigama, President of the Anuradhapura Railway Worker's Union, Wijeratne, Samson and Rodrigo, Treasurer of the Union—were arrested on Saturday last by Inspector Lovell, sub-Inspector Ahamet and Constable Carolis of the A'pura Police accompanied by sub-Inspector P. A. T. Perera and Constable Ratnayake of the C. I. D. whilst in the workshop in connection with the recent rail derailment.

cowards, and if the Muslim League goondas misconstrue *Ahimsa* for cowardice, they will be landing themselves in a very serious situation, to retrieve which, not all the Jinnahs and Gannas Ali Khans, or for that matter Churchills and Beverbrooks can help them. Let not the League play into the hands of the British imperialists who now chuckle at the sight of a few Hindus and Muslims cutting each other's throat on the eve of their quitting.

Political Scarecrows

The local political scarecrows are not idle. They are true to the salt of their master. They have made it their mission in life to misrepresent the Tamil Congress and all that it stands for. That the Congress is a communal organisation, the sole aim of which is to antagonise the Singhalese, that to vote for the Congress candidates against the U. N. P. ones will not be viewed favourably by the Singhalese masses, and that all the Tamils should queue up behind the Senanayake caucus if they want to survive as a community are the themes constantly dinned into the ears of the ignorant villagers by these political scarecrows. These falsehoods are not likely to mislead the Tamils, Mr. Senanayake is not and cannot be the leader of the Singhalese, a large majority of whom have more than once denounced him. The thinking section of the Buddhist priests have now seen him in his true colours, and have come to consider him as "Public Enemy No. 1" whom it will be difficult even for a Buddha to send to Nirvana. Let the local satellites of Mr. Senanayake know that the days of their idol of clay are numbered, and not all the props their ingenuity can devise could save his hierarchy, which for the last 15 years has dragged this fair land of ours to ruin and disaster.

Rice Position

And so the rice produced in Ceylon is not enough to feed the people even for 52 days in the year on the present basic ration! We are beholden to Mr. Poulter for letting this fact out, though we knew for certain that Mr. Senanayake was incapable of producing anything better. Time and again, we have, in these columns drawn the attention of Mr. Senanayake and his colleagues to the serious rice position in the country and appealed to them to do the needful by taking the farmer into their confidence. Mr. Senanayake and his yes-men in the Board of Ministers have refused to face facts and are, with unabated vigour and ruthlessness, determined to put the farmer down. The public of Ceylon have reached a stage of exasperation when they feel that appealing to the good sense of Mr. Senanayake is of no avail. The time to cry halt to the career of Mr. Senanayake is fast approaching. It is up to the public of this country to make use of the opportunity in the best manner possible, and to stop once and for all the sneaking into the Parliament of political parasites and opportunist chameleons.

PUBLIC ENEMY No. 1

Buddhist Priests Denounce Mr. Senanayake

MR. D. S. Senanayake is verily Ceylon's Public No. 1, and it will be difficult even for a Buddha to send him to Nirvana, declared Bikku Rahula at a mass meeting held at the Galle-Face green, Colombo under the auspices of the All-Ceylon Bikku Conference; more than 15,000 people attended the meeting.

Bikku Rahula in the course of his speech, after making the remarks quoted above criticised the broadcast speech of Mr. J. L. Kotelawala. He added that it was the coterie of Senanayake and Kotelawala that was the cause of the present evils in the social structure of the country and appealed to all patriotic Ceylonese to drive this clique of place-seekers and exploiters out of office at the earliest opportunity.

Sri Seevali Thero, another Buddhist priest said that the workers, who formed the backbone of the country had a right to express their opinion on the Soulbury Constitution. He stated that economics could not be separated from politics.

Messrs. H. Sri Nissanka, W. Dahanayake and others also spoke.

Earlier a large procession headed by a number of Buddhist priests went round the city of Colombo.

FOOD POSITION VERY DARK

Flour Shortage will Persist Beyond November

The Food position in the country is very dark according to Food Director (Supplies) Mr. K. Vaithianathan, who in a Press Note states that the present stocks of rice in the Island will last only till October 29. However shipments are expected in the next few days that will ensure requirements till the end of November.

Flour stocks are low and it is feared that the flour position will continue to be most difficult during November and a part of December. The prospects, says Mr. Vaithianathan, thereafter seem good.

Invalid and infant milk foods are in plenty now, and it has been decided to abandon the control of distribution of these foods at the end of November and close the Department of the Controller of milk foods. Permits will therefore not be required for purchase thereafter. The control of prices of these goods, will however continue in force.

Coffee, chillies, coriander, mathi seed garlic, pepper and onions are in adequate supply. Large quantities of potatoes are either in transit or awaiting shipment. Sugar position is very satisfactory.

OBITUARY

MR. K. KARTHIGESU

We regret to record the death on the 21st inst. of Mr. K. Karthigesu, uncle of Mr. V. Muttukumaru, M. A. of Nallur, Jaffna and a nephew of the late Mr. Kurunathapillai of Palai-Veemankam.

RURAL AREAS ARE FORTUNATE!

The townspeople of Jaffna are not supplied with flour this week also. Nor has the usual rice ration been increased. The cut in the sugar ration too is being maintained this week too.

The inhabitants of the rural areas are however more fortunate. Besides the usual rice ration, flour is also issued to them at the rate of one lb. per head this week.

Generalissimo Stalin may visit the United States and possibly Canada early in November says an American News Agency.

VIJAYALAKSHMI CREATES HISTORY

MASTERLY ADDRESS AT U. N. O.

MRS. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, Sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru created history by her masterly address at the U. N. O. General Assembly on Friday last; she said: "India does not yet play a sufficiently effective part in this Assembly. She desires and intends to do so."

"I would mention the Security and Trusteeship Councils and an adequate share in the administration of the U.N.O.", she added. "Hitherto as a dependent country our relations with the rest of the world were, perforce, not of our choice or making. Today the Government of India has announced the outlines of an independent foreign policy."

"We believe that peace and freedom are indivisible and that the denial of freedom anywhere must lead to conflict and war. We repudiate utterly the Nazi doctrine of racialism wherever and in whatever form it may be practised."

"We seek no dominion over others. We claim no privileged position over other peoples, but we do claim equal and honourable treatment for our people wherever they may go, and we cannot accept any discrimination against them."

"For this reason, and as a demonstration, we expect the U.N.O. to implement in practice the principles and basis of civilised life which has been embodied in the Charter. We have brought before the Assembly the treatment of Indians by South Africa, a Member State and a signatory to the Charter."

"The way this Assembly treats and disposes of this issue is open to the gaze not only of those gathered here but to millions in the world—the progressive peoples of all countries more particularly the non-European peoples of the world who let it not be forgotten—are an overwhelming section of the human race."

"Gross Outrage"

"The issue we have brought before you is by no means a narrow or local one; nor can we accept any conclusion that the gross and continuing outrage of this kind

MR. R. S. Ruikar, Member of the Central Provinces Legislative Assembly, talked with the Prime Minister of Eire, Mr. Eamon de Valera, for half-an-hour in the Government buildings on Indian affairs.

Later, Mr. Ruikar told *Reuter* "It was very good to meet Mr. De Valera. I found he had an extraordinarily deep, sympathetic and genuine interest in India, and that he was most anxious for her success and prosperity."

"I should like to see Ireland and India come closer together. I mentioned that to Mr. De Valera and found him interested. My talk with Mr. De Valera concerned mainly with the future of India and the benefits India may derive from a constitution such as Eire has. The talk was frank and cordial,

Mr. De Valera clearly showing a strong desire to be helpful."

"He gave me copies of Eire's various constitutions, including the one now operating, suggesting that I would possibly find their study helpful", Mr. Ruikar added.

"He emphasised that Eire was a Republic in association with the British Commonwealth for external purposes."

Mr. Ruikar presented Mr. De Valera with a copy of the book *Jai Hind*. (Victory to India), which Mr. De Valera was very glad to have. He asked Mr. Ruikar to convey his best wishes to the Indian people for success in the great task now being taken on and hoped that peace, happiness and prosperity would come to India.

Mr. Ruikar said that it was stimulating to come to Dublin where the people were deeply interested in building up their country and at peace with themselves after such a long period of suffering. Mr. De Valera struck him as a man of long views with a thoughtful and deep-seated love for his fellowmen and with a burning desire to make Ireland happy and prosperous.

Mr. Ruikar, who said he felt it was good for the Indians to meet Mr. De Valera, introduced to the Prime Minister the Indian Students' Group, who attended the recent International Students' Congress in Prague. Mr. De Valera was also presented with a copy of Pandit Nehru's recent book, *Discovery of India*.

Withdrawal of Promised Government Subsidy

At a meeting of cultivators and others interested in food production held at the V. C. premises on Monday, presided over by Mr. C. Thiagarajah, Chairman, V. C. and President, Grow More Food Association, the following resolution was unanimously passed:

"As Jaffna is dependent entirely on lift irrigation, cultivators and others interested in Food Production in Manipay Parish assembled in public meeting, are alarmed at the sudden withdrawal of the promised subsidy for sinking wells, and request Government to immediately reconsider their decision and avoid serious discouragement to the Grow More Food campaign."

Mr. K. Chornalingam, Dr. S. G. C. Mills, and Mr. S. Muttukumarasamy dwelt on the various hardships experienced by cultivators and the scanty assistance given by Government.

Mr. M. Srikantha, A. G. A. (E) explained to the people the present food situation and exhorted them to grow more food. He also stated the various measures taken by Government to help the farmer.

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SMUTS' APOLOGIA

FACES REBUFF IN THE U. N. O.

The South African Indian issue was discussed in the United Nations General Assembly in New York on Thursday last. As already announced Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit, sister of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru led the Indian Deputation to the Assembly.

General Smuts, Premier of the Union of South Africa who attended the Assembly requested that the issue be deleted from the Agenda. He submitted that its inclusion in the agenda was in complete conflict with the United Nations Charter.

General Smuts said: "This question is not in regard to Indian Nationals but to Indians who are South African Nationals. We are dealing purely with people who are South African Nationals and who have a grievance against their own Government. If the United Nations can deal with this matter, then people everywhere are going to raise matters with this organisation on similar lines and make things impossible within the United Nations."

Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla one of the Indian Delegates vigorously refuted Smuts' arguments. He was supported by Soviet, Ukrenian and Chinese delegates.

Smuts' request was finally rejected and the issue was referred to the Political and Legal Committees of the Assembly.

GOD-REALISATION— THE GOAL OF HUMAN LIFE

SWAMI YOGESWARANANDA
In Prabuddha Baratha.

THERE are many men and women who have not yet felt the need for religion or the desire for immortality, or even a belief in its possibility for the human soul. They want to enjoy the world to the full. They want to explore the secrets of nature and harness these into the service of man. They desire to increase the material wealth of their country and the world, and want all people to live comfortably. Such a type of mind is exemplified by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. In his recent convocation address to the graduates of the Calcutta University, he said:

"It seems to me that there has been hardly any time in recorded history when humanity has faced such enormous possibilities of change and transformation as it faces today.....

"You have a new vision of a new India and Asia and a new world before you. I do not know how many of you see the full realization of that vision..... The immediate problems before India are feeding, housing, and clothing 400 million people....."

"The housing, clothing and feeding of 400 million people must come through the approach of science, which was called the God-mother of the world.....

These are noble sentiments and will find an echo in every heart. The lust for greed and power of certain groups of men the world over has kept million on the verge of starvation and misery and in virtual slavery. That there should be greater production of material wealth, and a more equitable distribution of it are now axioms which only die-hard capitalists will dispute.

Sentiment of Brotherhood

With the happily growing diminution of the separatism into classes and groups among men, with the increasing growth of the feeling of being in the same boat among the proletariat of the world, there has arisen a corresponding increase in the sentiment of common brotherhood. But in this fervent desire for the removal of economic, political and social difficulties, let us not forget that man lives not by bread alone. It is true that man must live before he can philosophize; but it is equally true that unless life is based on a proper philosophy, mankind cannot be saved by the eating of bread alone. For do we not see that it is the richest nations of the earth, made powerful by science that God-mother of the modern world, that are rushing at each other's throats? Is not the philosophy of the economic basis of the world that has been responsible for this awful waste of millions of lives, and untold material wealth? Is not this the same philosophy of life that threatens the world with another world war and plunging of entire nations into greater starvation, famine, and misery? The neglecting of the spiritual ends and values of life is sure to bring in its wake inevitable disaster and death. An obsession with the reality of the material world only is a sign of immaturity in both the individual and the race. As the *Katha Upanishad* says: Undeveloped minds desire and run af-

ter outward pleasures, and thereby enter into the wide-spread snare of death." But the wise man as well as the wise nation will use 'temporal things and desire eternal.' For 'wise men only, knowing the nature of what is immortal, do not look for anything stable here among things unstable.'

Religions' Demands

The world promises things temporal; religion promises things eternal. What the world promises seems to be within our quick grasp, within easy reach, within our ability to get them, and, above all, so satisfying to our immediate needs and urges. Religion seems to promise vague and remote things; it demands, as it were, a foregoing of immediate profits, small though they be, for larger profits in the long run; and like small capitalists few of us are willing to stake our small capital over a long period; We are satisfied with small but immediate profits. The immense profits made by large-scale manufacturers we consider beyond our reach. We admire the multi-millionaires, and look upon their achievements with wonder. But we lack their largeness of vision and adventurous daring. Eternal Life, God realization, salvation, and all those high-sounding promises of happiness after death seem to us either dreams or if realities, possible only to a Buddha, a Christ, or a Ramakrishna; and with our petty cleverness we believe that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush, give a wide berth to the promises of religion, and avidly grasp at things temporal as the greatest prizes within the reach of man. But it is within the experience of many that things temporal do not give us that satisfaction, that happiness we have been seeking for. The prizes we have been toiling for day and night appear stale and unpalatable, once they are within our reach.

The Ideal

But let us not be misunderstood. We are not advocating withdrawal from the life of the world to all and sundry. Rather we are pleading for a life with nobler ends and nobler standards of life than those which have now gripped the souls of the majority of mankind. 'The generality of mankind do more willingly listen to the world than to God; they sooner follow the desires of their own flesh than God's good pleasure.' Rather for all excepting those whose hearts are carried away completely by the ideal of immediate God-realization, we are pleading for a life with ends and standards of value in consonance with the spiritual nature of the world. Instead of an ideal of social, national, and international competition tending towards the destruction of mankind, we want people to consider the replacing of the ideals of the selfish pursuit of wealth and political power by the ideals of economic sharing with the less favoured and political uplift of the more backward peoples of the world.

Sorry Spectacle

Nations as well as individuals, should co-operate towards the common welfare. To illustrate, take the case of the present famine that is threatening India, China, and Europe. If people were to act on

ANGODA AGAIN

ATTENDANTS STRIKE: AUTHORITIES FIRM

All the six-hundred attendants at the Mental Hospital at Angoda were out on strike last on Thursday and the situation has reverted to what it was during the last strike, three weeks ago.

One more patient of the criminally insane type, escaped on Thursday morning thus bringing the total of this class of inmates who have run away from the institution to 35.

This is said to be the fourth time that the attendants have struck work recently at the Mental Hospital and the authorities are determined to take very firm action this time.

Request For Reinstatement

It is gathered that at the deputation of the Government daily-paid workers to the Officer Administering the Government a request for the reinstatement of the dismissed overseers and attendants was made. His Excellency, it appears, replied that while it could not be granted he would consider the merits of each case individually and see that justice was meted out.

The attendants went out on strike subsequent to this. Mr. W. Dahanayake and two others, it appears, wanted to intervene on behalf of the strikers and interview Dr. S. F. Chellappah, Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, but the latter refused to hear them re-

marking that the representations must be made to him by the attendants. Ultimately, some attendants put forward their demands, among which were a request for the reinstatement of the 20 dismissed workers and the 70 interdicted. They are also requesting that the diet be given to them without any deductions. The authorities are not yielding on these points and are arranging to run the hospital with new attendants and substitutes.

2,346,000 BUSHELS

Under the Internal Purchase Scheme 46,800 bushels of paddy were purchased this month up to the 12th inst. bringing the total purchased so far for 1946 to 2,346,000 bushels. However, heavy crop failures due to draught have been reported from several districts such as Mannar, Jaffna, Narammala, Nalanda and Wariyapola, where the Yala harvest is now coming in.

CHANGE OF NAME

"I, ELAYATHMBY Manickam Ramaswamy of Thoppu Valavu Karaveddy North in the District of Jaffna hereby inform the Ceylon Government and the General Public that I shall from 8-10-1946 be known as Elayathamby Manickam Rajeswaran and sign my name as—
E. M. RAJESWARAN"
(Mis. 208. 29. 1.)

POLICE WIRELESS STATION

A sum of Rs. 60,000 for the establishment of a Police wireless station and the purchase of equipment is among nineteen supplementary estimates on the Agenda for the sittings of the State Council commencing to-day.

It is proposed to establish a wireless station which will consist of a central transmitting and receiving station and to equip five motor patrol cars with low-powered transmitters and receivers which would be capable of maintaining two way telephone communication with the central station.

At present 13 motor vehicles have to be maintained at the 13 police stations in Colombo in readiness to proceed to answer any call. A system of wireless controlled motor patrolling would result in only five cars being needed to cover the city of Colombo adequately and the eight cars which it is estimated would be released could be more usefully employed in other parts of the Island. The cost of the necessary equipment is estimated at Rs. 60,000.

way towards God than many others, but only if it is done in the spirit of divine brotherhood. Let us not forget the clarion call of the ancient Rishi who said:

'Here, ye children of immortal bliss! even ye that reside in higher spheres! I have found the Ancient One, who is beyond all darkness, all delusion. Knowing Him alone you shall be saved from death over again. There is no other way.' That is the promise of religion to all those who want to overcome not only social, economic and political evils, but the still more fundamentally greater evils of birth, disease, old age, and death.

Every Man For Himself

Indeed it is the irony of this blindness of selfishness that is upon men that they will spend billions in sending men to slaughter each other rather than succour millions of human beings from a grim death. In the limited social sphere also we see a tragic want of moral perspective and a callousness to the spiritual values of life. Black-marketeers, official and non-official, grow into millionaires while hundreds of their own fellow-beings are wallowing in misery and ignorance, poverty and starvation. The idea which forms the basis of social dealings, viz. every man for himself and the devil take the hindmost, is one which must be banished from the minds of men. For under such a principle of social life the devil not only takes the hindmost but also the foremost in his own good time.

Spirit of Brotherhood

God-realization is the goal of human life. All other activities are helpful in so far as they lead us to this end. Even the service of the needy, though in itself a high ideal, derives its value from this fact that it is a surer and easier

German Scientists For U.S.

The New York Herald Tribune reports the arrival in U.S.A. of 20 more German scientists whose names are not divulged. The War Department has taken the scientists to a secret place where they would work under contract with the armed forces.

WEDDING

Hensman - Vethavanam

The marriage of MAHESWARI, daughter of Mr. A. J. R. Vethavanam of Colombo with Capt. W. N. C. HENSMAN, son of Mr. A. C. (Durai) and Mrs. Hensman of Bangalore will be solemnized at St. Mark's Church, Bangalore on Monday, November 4, 1946 at 4-30 p. m.

All relations and friends are cordially invited by the parents to be present at the Church and afterwards at 7 Coles Road, Bangalore.

(Mis 92, 29.)

LEAGUE ASSURES

Allocation of Portfolios

The Associated Press of India informs that the Muslim League has given satisfactory assurance of its intentions with regard to the working of the Interim Government. This, in spite of the fact that there has been no Congress-League agreement, is a happy augury. The five portfolios allocated to the Muslim League are (1) Finance (2) Posts and Air (3) Commerce (4) Education and Health and (5) Law. A communique issued gave new Cabinet appointments to Muslim League nominees as:

FINANCE: Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan
COMMERCE: Mr. I. I. Chundrigar
COMMUNICATIONS (Posts and Air): Mr. Abdul Rab-Nishtar
HEALTH: Mr. Ghaznafar Ali Khan
LAW: Mr. Jogendra Nath Mandal.
Mr. John Mathai who held the post of member for finance in the original Interim Government has been appointed member for Industries and Supplies. Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar has now been made the member for Education, and the portfolio for works, mines and power has been given over to Mr. C. H. Bhaba. The other portfolios remain as before.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
[Held at Point Pedro]

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 318 PT

In the matter of the application for Letters of Administration to the Estate of the late Kathirathaipillai widow of Sandrasegaram of Point Pedro. Deceased

1. Candaper Mailvaganam Kandapoo and
2. wife Kamadehiammal both of Pandarawela Petitioners.

Vs.

1. Sandrasegaram Mutturaja of Point Pedro, 2. Sinnathamby Veyaguttu and 3. wife Chellamuttu both of Kirigama, Ella Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before E. Wijewardene Esquire, Additional District Judge, Jaffna, on the 16th day of July 1946 in the presence of Mr. S. Nagalingamudaly Proctor on the part of the petitioners and the petition and affidavit of the petitioners having been read:

It is ordered that the 1st Petitioner abovesigned be and he is hereby declared entitled, as the husband of the 2nd Petitioner, a grand daughter of the deceased abovesigned, to have letters of administration to the above estate issued to him accordingly, unless the Respondents abovesigned or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 10th day of October 1946 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 9th day of September 1946
Sgd. M. M. I. Kariapara,
Addl. District Judge.

Drawn by
Sg. S. Nagalingamudaly
Proctor for Petitioner.

Time to show cause extended to 31-10-46.
(O 86, 25 & 29.)

Order "Nisi" Declaring Will Proved &c.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 613

Valiammai widow of Ragunathan of Karainagar West Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Kanapattipillai Segarajasingam of Karainagar North, 2. Sathayar of Karainagar West, 3. Vaitilingam Kandiah of do. 4. Kandappoo Subra-

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[Mis. 248, 15-3-46 to 14-3-47.]

maniam of Karainagar North, 5. Sinnathamby Veyalilai and wife 6. Nageswary both of Karainagar West Respondents.

In the matter of the Estate of the late Theivanarillai widow of angarapillai Ganapattipillai deceased of Karainagar West.

This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esq., District Judge Jaffna on the 25th day of September 1946 in the presence of Mr. A. K. Nagasaba Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner dated 12th September 1946 and of the affidavit of the witnesses dated 8-9-46 having been read:

It is ordered that the Will of the abovesigned deceased, dated 8th January 1945 and numbered 865 be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the respondents or any other persons interested shall on or before the 31st day of October 1946 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said petitioner is the executrix named in the said Will and that she is entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 31st day of October 1946 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

The 25th day of September 1946.

Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai,
District Judge.

(O 87, 25 & 29)

Wedding

SIVAGURUNATHAN-MAHESWARY

The marriage of Mr. SIVAGURUNATHAN, B. A. second son of Mr. & Mrs. ST. M. P. Sithamparanatha Chettiar with Sow. MAHESWARY, daughter of Mr. C. T. Cumaraswamy Proctor, S. C. Nallur will take place at the bride's residence at Old Store Road, Nallur, Jaffna on Friday the 1st November 1946 at 3 a. m.

Reception at the Bridegroom's residence, Vannarponnai at 4 p. m. on the same day. Friends and relations are cordially invited.

No individual invitations.

(Mis, 201, 25 & 29.)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 605

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Mvlyaganam Murugesu alias Murugesarillai of Neervely Deceased.

Annapillai widow of Mvlyaganam Murugesarillai of Neervely

Vs. Petitioner.

1. Murugesarillai Poopalasingam of Neervely presently of 74 Vibara Lane, Mount Lavinia, 2. Murugesarillai Poopalasingam of Neervely, 3. Naku'eswari daughter of Murugesarillai of do, 4. Tharjasevari daughter of Murugesarillai of do, 5. Rohini Devi daughter of Murugesarillai of do. 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th and 5th respondents are minors appearing by their guardian ad litem the 1st respondent. Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esquire District Judge, Jaffna, on the 9th day of September 1946 in the presence of Mr. W. Muttukumaraswamy Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the 1st respondent abovesigned be appointed guardian ad litem over the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th respondents, who are minors to represent them in this action and that letters of administration be granted to the petitioner and that she be declared administratrix of the estate of the abovesigned deceased, unless the respondents abovesigned or any other person show sufficient cause to the contrary to the satisfaction of this court on or before the 4th day of November 1946. It is further ordered that the proposed

Ceylon Is Example Of British Democracy

The British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, claimed that his Government had put its democratic principles into practice in India, Burma, Trans-Jordan and in Ceylon and other Colonies.

Addressing the annual conference of the Trade Union Congress on Thursday last he said of India: The action of the Government in this regard was received with approval throughout the whole world except in these areas where people are not allowed to hear of it. Yet there are still people, including some of this country, who continue with their shrill cries of denunciation of Britain.

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(Mis. 199, 25 & 1.)

G. A. L. do produce the minors 2, 3, 4 and 5 respondents in court on 4th November 1946.

This 9th day of September 1946.

Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai,
District Judge.

(O. 91, 29, & 1.)

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 382 T
In the matter of the estate of the
late Mathesup'las Clement of No.
32 Temple Road, Jaffna. Deceased
Angelina widow of Clement No. 32
Temple Road Jaffna.

Vs. Petitioner

1. M. Clement Thuraiajah
2. Mar'emmah wife of P.M.
Joseph
3. Theresa daughter of Cle-
ment
Minors { 4. Clement Jesudasan a'l of
32 Temple Road, Jaffna
5. P. M. Joseph of Chundi-
kuli, Respondents.

This matter of the petition of the
abovenamed petitioner coming on
for disposal before R.R. Selvadurai
Esquire District Judge on the 30th
day of May 1946 in the presence of
Messrs. Atcokucker and Sultan
Proctors on the part of the petitioner
and the affidavit of the petitioner
dated 30th May 1946 having been
read:

It is ordered that the abovenamed
1st Respondent be appointed Guar-
dian-Ad-Litem over the minors 3rd and
4th Respondents for the purpose of
watching and protecting their inter-
est in the proceedings and that Let-
ters of Administration to the estate
of the abovenamed deceased be is-
sued to the petitioner abovenamed
as the 1st widow of the said de-
ceased unless the Respondent shall
appear before this Court on the 25th
day of July 1946 at 10 a.m. and show
sufficient cause to the satisfaction of
the Court to the contrary.

And it is further ordered that the
said minors be produced in Court on
the said date.

This 30th day of May 1946.
Sgd. R.R. Selvadurai
District Judge.

2-10-46.

Time to show cause extended faciality
till 29th October 1946.

Sgd. R.R. Selvadurai

D. J.

(O. 89. 25 & 29.)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No 622
In the matter of the intestate estate
of the late Pakkiam wife of Mut-
tiah of Karampan Deceased.
Kandiah Muttiah of Karampan

Vs. Petitioner.

Savundaripillai wid. w of Marimuttu
of do Respondents.

This matter of the petition of the
Petitioner praying that he be ap-
pointed administrator of the estate of
his deceased wife Pakkiam and that
letters of administration issued to
him accordingly, coming on for dis-
posal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr.,
District Judge, Jaffna on the 8th day
of October 1946 in the presence of
Mr. V. Navaratnam Proctor on the
part of the petitioner and the
affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner
having been read.

It is ordered that the Petitioner
abovenamed be and he is hereby
appointed administrator and that
letters of administration be issued to
him accordingly, unless the respond-
ent or any others shall show suffi-
cient cause to the contrary on or
before the 1st day of November 1946
at 10 a. m.

This 8th day of October 1946.

Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai,
District Judge.

(O. 89. 25 & 29)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 604
In the matter of the intestate Estate
of the late Thambiah Canagaratnam of
Navalouth Manipay. Deceased
Ratnam widow of Thambiah Canaga-
ratnam of Navalouth Manipay.

Petitioner

1. Canagaratnam Veibasa am 2.
Puspamalar alias Ranjithamalar
daughter of Canagaratnam (Minors)
3. Sithimbaranthan Thambiah a'l
of South Manipay. Respondents

This matter of the Petition of the
abovenamed Petitioner coming on for
disposal before R. R. Selvadurai
Esqr. District Judge Jaffna on the
9th day of September 1946 in the
presence of Messrs. Atcokucker and
Sultan Proctors on the part of the
Petitioner and the affidavit of the
Petitioner dated 9th September 1946
having been read. It is ordered that
the abovenamed 3rd Respondent be
appointed Guardian-Ad-Litem over
the minors 1st and 2nd Respondents
for all purpose of this action and that
letters of Administration to the Estate
of the abovenamed deceased be issued
to the petitioner as the widow of
the said deceased unless the Respon-
dents shall appear before this Court
on the 31st day of October 1946 at
10 A. M. and show sufficient Cause
to the satisfaction of this Court to
the contrary.

This 9th day of September 1946.
Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai,
District Judge.

Drawn by
Messrs Atcokucker & Sultan,
Proctors for Petitioner.
(O. 89. 25 & 29)

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