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The Soviet System

THE GROWTH OF U. S. S. R.

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(Continued from our last Issue)

ALL elections in U. S. S. R. are flecting the socialistic ideals of the secret The secret ballot was substi- by due process of law, from intertuted in 1936 for the old procedure ference with dwelling and one's cor of show of hands at all previous respondence are specially laid down e'ections. The franchise is conferred The usual freedoms are secured upon all citizens of the age of eighteen and above irrespective of race effected by two-thirds majority of nationality or sex. women are p'a- each legislature thus creating a ced on a footing of absolute equa- special procedure for constitutional lity. The franchise is defined as changes. "independent of race, creed, educational status, place of dwelling, social origin, property status or pas activity'. Franchise is extended even to foreigners who at the time work, Candidates for elections are Court of the U.S.S.R. is elected nominated by the Communist party. trade unions, co operative bodies and cultural societies. The basis of representation, in U. S. S. R. is vocational and not geographical as in the western democracies. In these latter countries, voters are given the perple's Judges sitting in all courts right to elect a member in a ward is continued. The People's Courts concentrated its e ergies on the constituency, or district irrespective of vocation In the Soviet system delegates are chosen by a certain class of wo kers such as miners, iron workers, peasants, soldiers, irrespective of residence. The voter votes where he works, not where he resides, the Russ'ans claim this to be a better form of representation than any ever tried before. Western critics point out that this systems tends to develop a narrow and sectional outlook instead of a broad national perspective. The merits and defects of this system of representation have been a subject of

As regards property, all private ownership is abolished, all lands and all factories and plants and all means of production are vested in the State for the benefit of the working classes. The State recognises three kinds of property, (1) The major instruments of production belong to the State itse f. (2 Subsidiary instruments vest in c llec tive and co-operative bodies. (3) Individual farmers can own a house, an allotmen', household instruments of agriculture cows upto three and pigs and poultry without limit The system of middlemen is completely e'iminated in all branches of industry and commerce. The principle of socialised property is declared to be inviolable and all at tacks on it are held to be griminal

Freedom of the Individual

and duties of the citizen fully re- not haunt the policies and life of menal development of the country's and worship.

direct, equal, universal and system Freedom from arrest except Amendment of the constitution is

Ju iciary

Supreme Court of the Constituent next national institution. In 1907, Republic by its Supreme S viet. Judges are declared entirely inde-rendent. The ancient practice of Russia of "As o inte Judges" or at the bottom, a Judge sitting with two jurors or cc-judges elected by and educational approach of prisoners is laid down. One admirable feature of justice is that every man can give evidence in law court in his ewn language.

The U. S S. R is a federation of free and independent States. Residuary powers reside in the consti tuent units and the units are given a theoretical right to secede from the Union. But this is seldom ex ercised, But the U S S R is not a federation in the American sens Private Ownership Abolished Russia proper dominates the entire

state-system.

Principle of Equality

The constitution of Russia is based on the principle that all nations and races are equal. This national policy which is called the Lenin and Stalin policy provides fullest opportunities for the development of nation-statehood and national culture and this has promoted the solidarity of the whole State-But this freedom of untional minorities and autonomy of the constiuent republies is subject to one fundamental condition, the adoption of the Soviet socialistic regime as aid down in the constitution. There is no racial problem in Russia. The Ruisian State transcends the

Soviet Russia, as they do in India to-day The citizen does not think in terms of his race, nationality or Result of Tea Auction religion but as one of the working class fraternity. An al'-Russian outlook is ourtured and developed of racial segregation or discrimination adopted in Russia as we wisness to-day in the South African Union and in fact foreigners are treated on a footing of absolute equality with al' and the franchise times the pre-war figure, is extended to them as a token of solidarity.

The Communist Party

The most noteworty feature of the Soviet system is the organisation of the Communist Party. From the very beginning, this party has been the operating force and in The judicial systems are disigned fluenced the whole of Russia from in accordance with the socialistic top to bottom, although its name decided that his Internal Sales Depolicy of the State. Judges are was not recognised in the consti- partment shall supply tea through e'coted for terms in areas over which tution. In 1936 it was officially co-operative societies and recogniof election are engaged in some they have jurisdiction. The Supreme recognised as the vanguard of sed firms. Soviet life and activities and its by the Supreme Soviet and the legalisation has made it a permain the Fifteenth Conference of the All-Russian Communist Farty, changes were made in its policy The party abandened the venture of an international revolution and consolidation of socialism within the U S. S R This conference workers, constitue the basic nucleus inavourated the historic policy of of the judical sys em. A humane the Five-Year Plans under which Russia was transformed from an agricu'tural into an industr'alised State. although the first plan was not a success it paved the way for the success of the fuiere plans. The Communist Party has a committee and works through many for Ceylon, the Poficial Bureau, Although the constitution recognises freedom of speech and association de, S. Jayaratne, Controller of Texof purges, of getting rid of its to negotiate on this matter. opponents. In the U.S.S.R. there is no two-system and there are no groups or multi-parties as in France It is the one-party State and there is no 'His Majesty's loyal opposition ' in Russia,

Five Year Plans

Under the Five-Year Plans, great trides were made in agriculture

Tea Prices Increased

People in Ceylon will now have by every means. There is no policy to pay more for their tea than at any time before

> The prices for better varieties now range from R. 3,50, to Rs. 4 a pound, which is more than twice last week's price and nearly eight

> Following the high prices fetched at Monday's Colombo auction, nearly all retailers have put up their price of tea. Even inferior dust is being sold at Rs. 2-55 a pound

To beat the profiteer and to provide consumers with tea at reasonable price, the acting Tea Commissioner, Mr. V. Paramanathan, has

His prices to the public will be Rs 3 per pound for good tea. Rs. 2. 25 for a lower grade and Rs. 1. 75. for Dust.

Mr. Paramanathan in the course of a Statement said that precautions will be taken to prevent blackmarketeers buying up those "relief" stocks and selling it to the public at higher prices-

German Textiles for Ceylon

It is learned that the Secretary of State for the Colonies has informed the Cey'on Government that textiles will be available from Ger-

It is understood that Mr. M. F. he formation of any other party ti'es, has suggested to the Execuis in fact an impossibility. It is the tive Committee of Labour Industry only party which is allowed to exist. and Commerce that Mr. G. C. S. The party has been consolidating Corea, Ceylon's Representative in itself from time to time by means London should proceed to Germany

> mineral and material resources to the fullest extent The greatest importance is attached to the growth of heavy industries.

Religion in Russia

The place of religion in Russia. and industry. Production rapidly has been a subject of some obserincreased. Forcible collectivisation rity. There is freedom of religious of agriculture was introduced. Tech- worship as well as freedom of antinology became the basis of the new religious propaganda. Church has industrial revolution. Russia did been lisestablished and its properties not hesitate to import machin ry nationalised The Atheistic League and plants from America and to led a campaign against all forms of engage vast technical personnel religion but it could not drive out bebarriers of race, nationality and from that country for the develop- lief in God and Soul from men's religion. The very name of the ment of her huge Volga, Ural and minds. To-day, it is stated there are State has no racial or national Siberian projects. The highest thousands of religious societies flo-The constitution provides an im- label. There narrow and sectarian place was given to science and rishing all over Russia and that portant declaration of the rights mediaeval notions and barriers do technology which led to the phono, there is complete toleration of belief



Kindu Organ

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 1947.

MINISTER'S DILATORY POLICY

SIR JOHN HOWARD'S TIMELY action during the recent Railway Workmen's strike resulted in the strike being called off and a crisis of great magnitude being averted. The strikers' deputation led by Dr. N. M. Perera, demanded among other things, the right of daily-paid government employees to form and register their trade unions under the Trade Unions Ordinance. The deputation did not insist on the right for such employees to join trade unions formed or manned by nongovernment employees. His Excellency the Acting Governor while striking a note of warning gave an assurance that the legitimate demands of the strikers would receive prompt attention. Accordingly the matter of Trade Union Rights for Government employees was referred to the Board of Ministers who have unanimously recommended that the matter should await the inauguration of the new constitution. This recommendation, if accepted, will mean unreasonable delay, and the Officer Administering the Government has therefore not accepted the recommendation, and asked the ministers to reconsider the question; Mr. Sena nayake has requested his colleagues to stand by their earlier decision and not to give any further advice or reply.

We are of the view that such conduct on the part of Mr. Senanayake or his colleagues bespeaks of very poor statesmanship. Delaying tactics are never indulged in by one who is sure of one's ground and obstinacy is not a virtue. There is no magic in postponing the consideration of matters portant and following a dilation by the Parliament of gled sufficiently and we may have speech said: "It was my tory policy. The new Parlia- Ceylon. It will be inadvisable to struggle again; but under the proud privilege six weeks ago which are urgent or vitally imment that is expected to be to refuse to consider a matter leadership of a very great personal ushered into existence in the which needs immediate and in terms of friendship and goodwill course of the year may well be spared a legacy of this nature function of a minister is to posed us. How far we have suc- the House, carefully chosen as those under the last will of the Board advice and at the same time ceeded I do not know, because words were: those words and that of Ministers. Besides, if workminister to the wants of his
ers' demands are not met fairly
people, and the word "people"
has been left in the hearts of milhas been left in the hearts of miland squarely, we cannot be includes workers. We think liens of people in this country and ed the agony and hopes of the nasure if elections to Parliament it will be prudent for Mr. even when we err or go astray, we tion coming at last to fruition. And

in Ceylon have been hanging his people to safety; and dan gives some form to that cause. I our forbears watching this great unfire for several years, and Mr. ger will overtake him who flies hope that this resolution will lead dertaking of ours and possibly bless. Senanayake thinks that it away from it ostrich-minded. soon to a constitution on the lines

Freedom Struggle

Nehru's Masterly Survey

lal's Resolution declaring India's to be respected or to be respected objectives as an Independent Sover- or to be considered with any discussed at great length during two spoke on it. The Pandit by way of be no compromise." (Hear, hear,) reply to the debate said:-

"There has been plenty of opportunity for those who wanted to come, to come. Unfortunately, they have not yet decided to come and they still hover in this state of in-decision. I regret that and all I can is this: We shall welcome them at any future time. They may come, but it should be made clear without any possibility of misunderstanding that no work will be held up in future whether anyone comes or not. (Cheers) There has been waiting enough, not only waiting for six weeks, but many in this country have waited years and years and the country has waited for some generations now How long are we to wait? If some of us, who are more or less prosperous, can afford to wait, what about the waiting of the hungry and the starving?"

Princes' Objection Criticised

Referring to Indian States and the question of sovereignty, he said: point has been raised that the idea of the sovereignty of the people which is enshrined in this resolution does not commend itself to certain Rulers of Indian States. That is a surprising objection and, if I may say so, if that objection is raised in all seriousness by anybody, be he Ruler or Minister, it is enough to condemn the Indian State system and every Ruler and Minister that exists in India (Hear, hear.) It is a scandalous thing for any man, however highly placed he may be, to say that he has any special divine dispensation to rule over human beings to-day. There is an intolerfor an instant and will repudiate it it is put before it."

"We have heard a lot about this idea of the divine right of kings", said Pandit Nehru- "We have read a lot about it in past histories and we had thought that we had seen the last of it and that it had been put an end to and buried deep down into the earth long ages ago. And for any individual in India to raise it to-day shows that there are parts of India and Indians who live buried deep down in the past with-

THE Constituent Assembly of out any relation to the present (Hear India as already reported has hear.) So I would suggest to them. una imously passed Pandit Jawahar- in all friendliness, that if they want eign Republic. The resolution was measure of friendly feelings, no such idea should be even hinted at, much sessions and about fifty members less said On this there is going to

Referring to the absence of Indian States representatives, Pandit Nehru said, "If they are not here it is not our fault. It is largely the fault of the scheme under which we are functioning. We have this choice before us: Are we to postpone our cannot be here? It would be a dreadful thing if we stopped not only this resolution but possibly so much else because the representatives of the States are not here. So far as we are concerned, they are to come in at the earliest possible moment. We would welcome them if they are proper representatives of the States,"

Friendly Relations with All Nat ons

Pandit Nehru went on, "We claim in this resolution to frame a constitution for a sovereign independent Indian Republic, necessarily democratic. What else can we have in Whatever the State may India? have or may not have, it is impossible and inconceivable and undesirable to think in any other terms but in terms of a Republic in India. What relation will that Republic bear to other countries of the world, to England, to the British Commonwealth and the rest? For a long time past we have taken a pledge on Independence Day that India must sever her connection with Great Britain because that connection had become an emblem of British domination. At no time have we thought in terms of isolating ourselves in this world from other countries or of being hostile even to countries which have dominated able presumption on any man's part. over us. On the eve of this great (Hear, hear) and it is a thing which, occasion, when we stand on the I hope, this House will never admit threshold of freedom, we do not for an instant and will repudiate if wish to carry a trail of hostility with us against any country. We want to be friendly with all. We want to be friendly with all. want to be friendly with the British people and the British Commonwealth of Nations.'

We Represent A Mighty Cause "

Pandit Nehru proceeded: "I commend this resolution to the Housenot only to the House but to the world at large making it perfectly clear that it is a gesture of friend ship to all and behind it there lies no hostility. We have suffered cireful consideration. The to others, even those who have op-

suggested in it and I trust that that constitution itself will lead very soon to the freedom that we have craved for, and that real freedom will be realised in terms of food for our starving people, clothing for them, housing for them and all manner of op-

portunity for progress.
"I hope it wil lead also to the freedom of the other countries of Asia, because in a sense, however unworthy we may be, we have be-come—let us recognise it—the leaders of the freedom movement in Asia (cheers) and whatever we do, we should think of ourselves in these larger terms. When some petty matter divides us and we have difficulties and conflicts amongst ourselves over small matters, let us remember not only this resolution but this great responsibility that we shoulder, the responsibility of the freedom of 400 million people of India, the responsibility of the leaderfunctioning because some people ship of a large part of Asia, the responsibility of being some kind of a guide to vast numbers of people all over the world,"

Revolutionary Ch nges Impending

"There is no group in India, no party, no religious community, which can prosper if India does not pros-per," said Pandit Nehru, "If India goes down, we go down, all of us, whether we have a few seats more or less, whether we get a slight advantage or not. But if it is well with India, if India lives as a vital, free country, then it is well with all of us, to whatever community or religion we may belong. I am not plecing before the House what I want done or what I do not want done, but I should like the House to consider that we are on the eve of revolutionary changes- revolutionary in every sense of the word. Because when the spirit of a nation breaks its bonds, it functions in peculiar ways. and it should function in strange ways. It may be hat that the con-stitution that this House may frame may not satisfy that free India. A free India will do what it chooses, This House cannot bind down the next generation or the people who may succeed us in this task,

Therefore, let us not trouble ourselves too much about the petty details of what we do. These details will not survive for long if they are ach eved in conflict. What we achieve in human liberty by co-operation is likely to survive. What small points we may gain here and there by conflict and by overbearing manners and by thereats will not survive long. It will only leave a trail of bad blood behind it."

Pandit Nehru further said, "May this resolution bear early fruit and may the time come when, in the words of this resolution, this ancient land attain its rightful and honoured place in the world and make its full and willing contribution to the promotion of world peace and the welfare of mankind!"

to move this resolution. I

the weight and solemnity of that occasion. It was not a mere form of words that I placed before has been left in the hearts of mil- depths of our being, they representcan take place to scheduled sensitive.

Senanayake to change his policy and persuade himself and his colleagues to reconsitive wanted the condense of the first time Mr. Senanayake wanted the condense of the first time Mr. Senanayake wanted the condense of the present great sensitive was as I stood here on that condense of the past crowding around me, but whether we are small or big, then I felt the future also taking for the moment we represent great shape. We stood on the razor's shape. We stood on the razor's shape. We stood on the razor's shape of the present and I was adsideration of difficult matters lead who faces danger or diffi of the shadow of greatness falls upon dressing not only this House but the to be deferred until the inau- culty bravely, calmly and con- us and we also become great. And millions of India who are vastly inguration of the new Parliament. fidently, does the right thing to-day in this Assembly, we represent at the right moment and leads at the right moment and leads lution that I have placed before you end of an age. I had a sense of all

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Letter to the Editor

THE DOWRY CURSE

Sir,

there appeared a pertinent article ing demon. The University on the subject of "What price is a Graduates and the high lights of "Annapooran". It is indeed a time- helped to perpetuate an evil pracly contribution on a subject which tice and to keep our sisters in a demands the same condemnation state of social bondage. It is demands the same condemnation and public agitation against its practice as subjects like the treat- the so-called "educated" and "element of Indians in South Africa, racial discrimination and the caste who are largely the culprits. system, against all of which a vigorous battle is being waged to-day hardiness of this pernicious practice. in several parts of the world. But Economically, it is sucking the in tiny Ceylon the dowry demon very blood of an already imunhampered on the blood of help- is proud of his sex and of his less maidens and their parents and sisters, let him give proof of it by guardians.

member of the wronged sex to come marriage be defiled by the black forward and expose the absurdities art of dowry-hunting and the addiof a pernicious and obsolete practice, perhaps excusable among and maidenhood of the innocent illiterate peoples but certainly not bride. in a literate community like the Ceylon Tamils, it speaks volumes Tamils is so devoid of chivalry, it that no member of the dowry-receiv- is now left to the insulted women ing sex has come forward to cham- to work out their own salvation. pion the cause of their sisters, or, Organisations, such as ANTI-shall I say, vindicating their own DOWRY LEAGUES should be self-respect! Is it possible that instituted all over Ceylon, of there is none among them so chi- which all the women as well as the valrous as to come forward and men who are against the dowry condemn this blot on our community curse should be members, memberand endeavour to redeem our sisters ship being free. The object of from their segregation to a position these organisations should be to of inferiority and shame? Is the educate the masses on the evils of manhood of the Tamil youth so the cursed dowry system and to impotent and their morality so low band themselves together to comthat they do not have the courage but the evil. They should boycott and manliness to take a wife purely all weddings where dowry has in consideration of her personality, played a part, be they among charm and accomplishments and relatives or friends. Other forms make the best of life, for better or of social boycott should also be for worse, like the millions of men imposed on the families who revel of the other races of the world? in dowries. They should demand Surely, in comparison with the that their representatives whom youth of the world, these dowry-hunting and dowry-receiving Tainils cut sorry figures and reveal a lack Committees or Boards shall underof morality.

condemnation of racial discrimina- such candidates only. tion and make bold to demand | Women are as important a part equality of treatment as a race, we of the population of any country forget that we have a more impor- as men, and they can wage, if they tant and urgent task in our very so choose, decisive battle against homes—that of redeeming our own the men. The time has now come sister from the status of inferiority when the whole world is waking adding worldly wealth to increase racial discrimination, caste restricher holy altar of matrimony.

which in its terrible weakness rapid rate. shamelessly betakes to it? The Sisters a Government of Madras, however so take up arms against our merciless deeply interested in social reforms enemies, the dowry-hunters and for its peoples, is considering dowry-extortioners, and defy them. a proposal to bring in legislation It is by far better and nobler for as early as possible to prevent you, our much-wronged sisters, to dowry or fix a limit.

growing in its viciousness and the men of our own community who inhapitants are either helpless to have not the courage and selfredeem themselves from its tenta- respect to accept you as their cles or meekly acquiesce in the wives for your own sake. practice for want of self-respect, would like our wealthy and edu Our Councillors and Urban and cated sisters and brothers to come "Brahmo Villa" Rural Legislators have done little forward and help fight this mean. Ipoh, Malaya.

or nothing to eradicate the com-In your issue of 16th July, 1946, munity of this horrible and crush-Tamil husband," over the name of our services and society have only cheap talk everywhere that it is vated" class in our community

It is time that we see the foolis fattening itself undisturbed and poverished community. If a man taking a girl to wife for her own While it is commendable for a sake. Let not the holy altar of tion of pelf to the sacred virginity

When manhood of the Ceylon take to fight the dowry curse. They When we wax strong in our should, in fact, cast their votes tor

of sex and exploding the myth of up to the need of doing away with her worth, weight and status upon tions and introducing universal suffrage and self-determination. Mahatma Gandhi, who has done The women of Ceylon too must so much to elevate the position of take their place in the great Indians against the discriminatory awakening that has come over the the masses of India to their present colon al peoples. They must open- their supplies from their retail try and Commerce. position of self-respect and self-stage a vigorous fight against the dealers is amusing" said Mr. Hus-determination, speaks of the curse tyranny of this old and ridiculous sain "for it was the Co operative the cost of maintain of dowry as follows:-"Education cu tom, the practice of which in not only does not improve the its fantastic proportions is slowly situation but makes it worse. The but surely crushing down our comaffected class has to wake up be munity. Economic degeneration is fore the curse destroys the class unmistakably overtaking us at a

Sisters and brothers of Ceylon, live and die as honourable spinsters In Ceylon the evil practice is than to submit to the insult of

Mews in Brief

President of the French National Assembly.

A full Cargo of rice (7506 tons) arrived on Thursday last in Home Minister Mr. A. Mahadeva Colombo from Brazil.

tants to Sanitary Inspectors once ment appointments.

Service

this Council is of opinion that the State interference. Board of Ministers should take immediate steps to organise a diplo-

Bhikkus and Politics

M. Edwond Herriot was elected Home Ministry's Move to Ban

It is reliably learned that the is contemplating to ban by legistation Buddhist monks becoming The Executive Committee of members of the State Council or Health has now decided to change Local Government bodies and to the designation of Sanitary Assis- prevent them from holding Govern-

It is reported that requests have been made to the Committee from He Wants a Diplomatic several sources to introduce such legistation at an early date. Several members of the Committee favour such legistation, but some Mr. J. R. Jayewardene gave notice others feel that the Buddhist Canon of the following motion in the State law is sufficient to maintain disci-Council on Thursday last: "That pline among the Bhikkus without

Mr. J. L. Garvin, one of Brimatic service and recruit personnel tain's best known journalists died to act as the future Ambassadors on Thursday last. He was for 35 of a Free Lanka in foreign count- years editor of the London "Observer."

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Black Market and Co-ops

U. C. Chairman Indicts.

At the first meeting of the New Matale Urban Council held last Ceylon Trade week the Chairman Mr. M. K. Hussain had some caustic remarks about the way the Co-operative Stores were managed, the said Black Market. Certain articles of Rs. 434,500. food which are not available at the Co-operative Stores or at the res- Ceylon products are to gain wider pective retailers are available in publicity and ready markets, the the Black Market. How that Ceylon Government must go ahead happens require no deep sounding in an all-cut drive to boost Ceylon at all."

Mr. F. VanRooyen said that there were certain articles the consumers could not have, un'ess they went to the Black Market.

ingless and pernicious custom, which appears to find much fertile soil in Ceylon for its hideous growth.

Yours faithfully, R. MUTTIAH.

Commissioners

The establishment of a Trade that it was the Coops which feed Commissioner Service in Australia, the black market. "The suggestion the U. S. A. and the Middle East treatment meted out to them in world, particularly among the for consumers to join Co operative is advocated by Mr. Rajah Hewa-South Africa and in awakening the hitherto-considered backward and Societies if they could not get vitarne Minister for Labour Indus-

> sain 'for it was the Co operative the cost of maintaining this Ser-Stores that apparently fed the vice for a year would amount to

> > He considers it necessary that if

abroad. Mr. Hewavitarne believes that Ceylon's economic salvation depends on the amount of trade Ceylon can put through.

New Governor of Assam

It is officially announced that Sir Akbar Hydari has been appointed Governor of Assam in succession to Sir Andrew Clow from May 3, 1947,

Foed Organisation Changes

Food Supplies, will be the new chief of the import section when vince, next month.

Departments other than the head on February 2. office organisation, which will come under his supervision, are the expenditure on Mr. de Silva s Mis Subsidiary Foodstuffs Department, sion will be Rs. 24,000. Internal Purchase Scheme and Animal Foods Department.

The Control and Distribution Department, which has been administered by Mr. R. S. V. Poulier, Food Commissioner (Control and Distribution, Food Controller and Controller of Prices, Food), is an entirely different section and, therefore, no change is contemplated or will be necessary in the administration of this department.

S. S. C. Examination

Candidates who sat for the English S. S. C. Examination in December cannot hope to obtain their results until the middle of March.

The acting Superintendent of Examinations of the Equation Department in a statement said that in view of the record number of candidates (the total being nearly 10,000) who sat for the Decembe: examination it would not be IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA possible to release the results until Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 621 the middle of March.

He added that the results of the Sinhalese S. S. C. examination which was held in September last year, were also still not out, owing to as many as 15,000 candidates having entered the lists.

The Last Civil Service Exam

At question time in the State Council on Thursday last Mr. J. R. Javewardena inquired from the Chief Secretary what steps he proposed to take with regard to the complaint made by the candidates at the last Civil Service Examination, who have stated that the Sinhalese paper contained questions outside the syllabus. He also said the petitioner, the Notary and witthe synabus.

Sir Robert Drayton, Chief Secretary in reply said the Civil Service Examination was controlled by the tember 1932 be and the same is Civil Service Commissioners, and brought to their notice. He gathered that they were satisfied, and a satisfactory solution to the problem could be found.

WANTED

Wanted for the Jaffna Hindu College two teachers capable of teaching English and History or Tamil or Geography in the upper forms. Graduates preferred. Applications close on the 25th of January.

(Mis. 298. 10, 17, 21, 24 & 28.)

K C's Mission Will Cost State Rs. 24,000

Mr. L. M. De Silva, K. C., left Mr. K. Alvappillai, Director of for the United Kingdom by air to represent Ceylon at the conference of representatives of the United Kingdom, the self-governing Domi-Mr. K. Vaithianathan relinquishes nions and India to discuss the offices of Food Commissioner question or citizenship of the com-(Supplies) to take over duties as ponent parts of the British Com-Government Agent Central Pro- mon-wealth of Nations on Saturday

The conference starts in London

It is understood that the total

He is to receive Rs. 18,000 as a fee for his servives.

He will be provided with free air passage to London and back.

WANTED

A manager for the Saivaprakasa Press, the Hindu Organ and the Inthusathanam. Salary according to qualifications Experience in journalism, Press and Office management together with qualification or experience in accounting will be taken into consideration. Apply with copies of testimonials to the Secretary Saivaparipalana Sabhai on or before 5-2-47.

WANTED

Wanted for the J/Vaddukkoddai Hindu English School a teacher to teach one or more of the following subjects. English, History, and Geography. Apply to Manager, Jaffna Hindu College & Branch Schools before 25-1-47.

(Mis. 297. 10, 17, 21, 24 & 28.)

ORDER NISI

In the matter of the Last Will and

Testament of the late Chellammah wife of Sellappah Elaguppillai of Chankanai, Jaffna. Deceased. Chellappah Elaguppillai of Chanka-Petitioner

> 1. Elaguppillai nam of do. Vijayarat-

2. Elaguppillai Vijayanathan of do, Minors 3. Elaguppillai Vijayapalan

of do. 4. Elaguppillai Vijayaladchumy of do.

5, Muttuppillai widow of Chittampa-Nagamuttu lam of do.

Respondents. This matter of the petition of the above-named petitioner coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai, Esqr. District Judge, Jaffna on the 7th day of October 1946 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam, Proctor for petitioner, and the affidavits of that with regard to the cuestions in nesses having been read; it is ordered the Tamil paper, they came within the above-named 5th respondent that Order Nisi extended be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minors 1-4 respondents, and that the will of the above-named deceased dated the 28th day of Sephereby declared proved unless the the matter referred to had been above-named respondents shall appear before this court on or before the 13th day of December 1946 and show cause to the satisfaction of the Province will receive sealed tenders court to the contrary.

> petitioner is the executor named in the said Last Will and that he is entitled to have probate of the same issued to him accordingly unless the said respondents shall appear before this court on or before the said date of this court to the contrary.

This 15th day of November 1946. Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai, District Judge.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 448 In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Thaiyalnaya

ki ammah wife of Veluppillai Thirugnanasambanthar of Irupa-Deceased. Thirugnanasambanthar Aruchunarajah of Irupalai. Petitioner.

1. Thirugnanasambander Sanmugasundram of do presently of Kilinochchi

2. Thirugnanasambanthar Gnanakuru of Irupalai

Thirugnanasambanthar Balasubramaniam of do

4. Veluppillai Thirugnanasambanthar of Vannarponnai.

Respondents. This matter of the petition of the abovenamed petitioner praying for the appointment of the 4th respondant guardian-ad-litem over the minors 2 & 3rd respondents and for grant of probate to the Last Will of the abovenamed deceased coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gunasegara Esqire. District Judge Jaffna on the 22nd day of August 1945 in the presence of Mr. C. Subramaniam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner and that of the witnesses and notary of the Last Will dated the 6th February 1945 having been read.

It is ordered that the abovenamed 4th respondent be appointed Guardian ad-litem over the minors 2 and 3rd respondents for the purpose of representing them in this case and that that the Last Will and Testa ment of the abovenamed deceased and filed of record in this case be declared proved, unless the abovenamed respondents or any other person shall on or before the 31st day of October 1945 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the petitioner is the executor named in the said will and he is entitled to have probate of the said will issued to him accordingly.

The 21st day of September 1945. Sgd. S. S. J. Gunasekere. District Judge

for 30th January 1947 Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai, District Judge. (0. 135. 24 & 28-1-47.)

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for Govt. Agent, N. P., The Kachcheri, Jaffna, 20th January, 1947. (G. 133. 28-1-47.)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 651.

In the matter of the intestate of the late Thangappillai wife of Thiyagarajah Arulananthamoorthy of Tellippalai Deceased Kandappillai Arumugam of Malla-

Thiyagarajah Arulananthamoor-thy of Tellippalai South West.

2. Theivanaippillai widow of Kathirithamby of Tellippalai South West and

3. Kathirithamby Sivapatham of Mallakam. Respondents. This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai, Esquire

District Judge, Jaffna, on the 7th day of January 1947 in the presence of Mr. C. Ramalingam, Proctor for Petitioner, and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that Letters of Administration in respect of the estate of the said deceased be issued to the petitioner as the maternal uncle of the said deceased unless the respondents abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall appear before this Court on or before 12th day of February 1947 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 7th day of January 1947, (Sgd.) R. R. Selvadnrai, District Judge.

(0. 137. 28 & 31-1-47.)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA (held at Point Pedro)

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 334 PT

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Sithambarappillai Ponniah of Thambakamam Pallai Deceased

Muttachehippillai widow of Sithambarappillai Ponniah of Karanavai North Petitioner

Veluppillai Thamotharampillai of Periapalli in Pallai Respondent. This matter comming on for disposal before G. C. T. A- de Silva Esquire additional District Judge of Jaffna on the 13th day of January 1947 in the presence of Mr. P. Kanapadhippillai Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the Petition and affidavit of the Petitioner having been

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and is hereby declared entitled to take out Letters of Administration with the copy of Will annexed and that Letters of Administration be issued to her accordingly unless or persons shall appear before this court on the 6th day of February and show cause to the satisfaction cipt produced before any tender 1947 and shew sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the

> The 13th day of January 1947. Sgd. G. C. T. A. de Silva, Addl; District Judge

(0. 138, 28 & 31-1-47.)

FREEDOM STRUGGLE

(Continued from page 2)

ing it if, we moved aright, and the future of which we became trustees, became almost a living thing taking shape and being moulded before our

"It was a great responsibility to be trustees of that future. It was some responsibility also to be inbetween that great past and the great future that we envisaged, we the weight of that occasion. I have people are not here. no doubt impressed itself upon this

honourable House.

'And so, I placed this resolution before this House and I had hoped that it would be passed in a day or two and we would embark on other work immediately Alter a long debate this House decided to postpone further consideration of this resolution and I confess that I was a little disappointed because I was impatient that we should move, felt that we were not true to the pledges we had taken by lingering on the road. It was a bad beginning. I thought, that we should postpone even such an important resolution about objectives. Would that imply that our future work would go along slowly and be postponed from time to time? Nevertheless. I have no doubt that the decision that this House took in its wisdom in postponing the resolution was a right decision, because we have always to balance two factors One is the urgent necessity of reaching our goal and the other is that we should reach it in proper trim and with as great unanimity as possible.

'And it was right, therefore, if I may say so with all respect, that this House decided to adjourn consideration of this motion and thus not only demonstrated to all the world our earnest desire to have all those people here who have so far not come here but assured the country and everyone how anxious we were to have the co-operation

of all."

"Bring: the Promise of Free 'om'

"The resolution", said Pandit Nehru. "would not by itself feed the hungry or the starvi g but it brings promise of many things, it brings pio. operate with the Centre and in mise of freedom, promise of food and which the Centre will have control opportunity for all. and therefore, the sooner we set about it the does not interfere with the inner better So we waited for these six working of those units. weeks and during the six weeks the country thought about it and pondered over it and other countries and other people who are interested also gave thought to it."

to Dr layakar and Mr. Sahay for withdrawing their amendments.
"Dr. Jayakar's purpose", said Pandit Nehru, "was largely served by the postponement of this resolution day there is no isolation. You candrate the British Commonwealth, Pandit Nehru observed, "But these labels are fast changing their meaning and in the world to-day there is no isolation. You can and it appears now that there is no not remain apart from others. one in this House who does not must co-operate or you must hight. accept fully this resolution as it is. There is no middle way. We seek It may be that some would like it peace. We do not want to fight any slightly differently-worded or the nation if we can help it. The only emphasis placed more on this part possible real object that we, in comer that, but taking it as a whole, it mon with other nations, can have is a resolution which has already, is the object of co operating in buileven before the voting, received the ding up some kind of a world struc-full assent of this House and there ture. Call it One World, call it is little doubt that it has received what you like. The beginnings of the full assent of the country,'

it, notably from some of the Princes and it has many defects. Neverthe-Their first criticism had been that less it is the beginning of a world such a resolution should not be structure and India has pledged passed in the absence of the repre- herself to co-operate in that work. sentatives of the States. In part he agreed with that criticism: he should co-operation in it with other counhave liked all the States and every tries, where does the question come part of India being properly repress of our being tied up with this group sented in the House when it passed of nations or that group? Indeed this solemn resolution. "Even durthe more groups and blocs are form ing the last six weeks or a month, ed the weaker does that big struc-

way for their proper representation here. It has not been our fault that there has been any delay. We are anxious to get everyone in, whether they are the representatives of the Muslim League or the States or any-

"We shall continue to persevere in this endeavour so that this House heritors of the great past of ours and may be as fully representative of the country as it is possible to be But we cannot postpone this resolustood on the edge of the present and tion or anything else because some

No Interference In States Internal Affairs

interfering with the system of monarchy in the States if the people of the States wanted it. I gave the example of the Irish Republic in the British Commonwealth and it is conceivable to me that within the Indian Republic there might be petty monarchies if the people so to determine.

The resolution and presumably the constitution we make, will not interfere in that matter. Inevitably we want a uniformity in the freedom of various parts of India. It is inconceivable to me that a part of India should have democratic freedom and certain parts should be denied it. That cannot be; that will give rise to trouble just as in the wide world to day there is trouble because some countries are free and some are not. Much more trouble will there be if there is freedom in one part of India and lack of treedom in other parts of India. But we are not laying down in this resolution any strict scheme in regard to the governance of the Indian States. All that we say is this: that they or such of them as are big enough to form units or groups themselves to form units, will be autonomous units with a very large measure of freedom to do as they choose subject no doubt to certain central functions in which they will co-So that in essence this resolution

Lidia Pladged to World C3-operation

Alter re-affirming the desire to be Pandit Nehru expressed gratitude Iriendly with all, including the Bri-You this world structure have been laid There had been some criticisms of down in the UNO It is feeble yet we have made some effort to get ture become. Therefore, in order to in touch with the Committee representing the States Rulers to find a desirable for all countries not to

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 614

Veeragathy Nadarajah of Kara'nagar North Petiticner.

1. Kanag malar 2. Sivanesam boh daughters of Nadarajuh and 3. Namasiyayam Aru iah all Karainag r North. The 's' & 2nd Responde ts are minors appealing by their Gu rdian-ad-litem the 3rd Respondent Respondents. In the m tter of the Esta e of the late Kan gamma wife of Veersgathy Nadaraj h of Karainagar late of edensk Johnre

This matter co ing on fer dis osal b ore R F. Selvadurai E q. D'strict Judge, Jaffna on the 12th day of December 1946 in the pre-"The resolution", said Pandit sence of Mr A. Kanngasaurt Nehru "makes it clear that we are on the part of the peritioner, and the not interfering in the internal affairs affidavit of the above-mentioned of the States. I even said (on the pricing of the December 1916, having beer r ad.

It is ord r d that the abovenamed 3rd Respondent be ap ointed Guadian ad litem over the minors 1 & 2nd Rescondents for the purpose of

this act on.

It is further declared that the said Petition r be diela ed entitled to have Letters of A ministration to th desired. That is entirely for them estate of the said intest te as her lawful bushand unless the respondents or others interested shall on or refore the 30th day of January 1047 sh w suffic ent cause to the ratisfac tion of this court to the contrary

This 12th day of December 1946. Sgd. R Selvadurai District Judge.

(O. 133, 24 & 28)

insist not to lay stress, on separate probate of the Last Will and tes'agroups and separate blocs-

"Human Spirit Will Triumph"

"India," Pandit Nehru, said "is a ar at country, great in her resources, great in her man-power, great in her potential in every way, and I have little doubt that a free India on every plane will play a big part on the world stage, even on the narrowest plane of material power and strength. We hear a lot about the atom bomb and the various kinds of (O. 184. 2 & 28) energy that it represents and in a sense to-day there is a conflict in the world between the atom bomb and what it represents and the spirit of humanity. I hope that while India will no doubt progress in all these material spheres, she will always lay stress on that spirit of humanity I have no doubt also in my mind that ultimately in this conflict that is convulsing the world, the human spirit will prevall over the atom

Referring to Mr. H. J. Khandekar's suggestion to postpone the adoption of the resolution to January 26, the independence Day, Pandit Nehru said that it was not desirable to put of commend urgent business like that even by an 'It comes in the wake of a number of resolutions and pledges and is in fact an expression of the sentiments embodied in them- It has the spirit of the momentous Quit India resolution and the time has come now for us to implement our pledges." he added.

Order "Nisi" Declaring Will Proved &c.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 646

A. Sinnappeo Coomarasamy of Karainagar East Petitioner.

1. Parameswary, 2. Sundramoorthy, 3 Ledehu nanan 4. Theyarani all child en of A. Sinnappoo Coomerssamy and 5, Tramoth rampillai Ponnam a an all of Karainagar Respondents

In the mat er of the Last Will and Testament of the late Rasammah wife of A Sinnappoo Coomarasamy of Karainagar East

This matter c ming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr., District Judge, Jaffra on the 18th day of Dreember, 1946 in the prasence of A Kanag sabai, Proctor on he part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner and of the wit essess to the Last Wi'l dated 12th and 17th D rember 1946 having been read:

It is ordered that the Will of the abovenamed deceased dated 14th Fabruary 1916 and numbered 7849 and attested by K. S. Mahesa Sarma, Notary Public b. a-d the same is hereby dictared proved unless the es onden a or others s'all on or before the 30th dam of January 1947 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the co-trary.

It is further declared that the said 5th respondent be appointed gu rdianad-litem ov rt . mino s lat to 4th respondents and that the said petitioner be declared ert tiel to have ment of the abovenamed deceased Executor named in the said Will and that he is entitled to have Probate of the same issued to him aceardingly unless the respond nis or others interested shall on or hefore the 30th day of lanua y 1947, how sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 18th day of December 1946,

Egd, P. R. Selt adurai, District Judge.

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