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## Barbaric Use of Political Might

### RELIGION'S ROLE IN FOSTERING PEACE

#### FANATICISM SHOULD BE CURBED

WHY, do all the adherents of the various religions quarrel and kill each other? Does not Hinduism proclaim that Ahimsa is the greatest religion? Does not Christianity preach that if any one smite you on one cheek show him the other also to smite on? Does not the very word 'Islam' mean peace?

The answer is that as yet the world is still far from having achieved the high level of spiritual culture. To most men and women economic and political values are more important than spiritual values. The concrete benefit of wealth and political power are so much before their eyes that the occasional vision of higher things in sinner moments is overwhelmed and darkened when their minds return again to the stress and storm of ordinary preoccupations. In a lake of fresh water infested with waterplants and mosses and algae no sooner do we get a glimpse of the pure water by removing them with the hand than we find them returning dancing again to cover the cleared portion. In the human mind also the two processes of the dawn of knowledge and its subsequent obscuration have their full play. But everybody admits that ignorance is the mother of all evils and there is no human being so dead to his own self-interest that he will not try his best to remove the miseries that beset him. Circumstances however, prove too strong for individuals as well as nations and they are often carried off the right track by the tempting allurements of short-term enjoyment in byways and alleys.

#### Task before the Leaders

Nations like individuals are often faced with such crises in their history and it is the wisdom of their leaders as well as the good sense and faithfulness of the masses that ultimately save them. Wrong decisions by leaders will lead to national destruction; and even right decisions by leaders will not help if the rank and file are unable to appreciate them or lose faith in them. But the history of the world shows that the more far-sighted the leaders and the greater their reliance on moral and spiritual values rather than on mere physical and military preponderance, the greater has been their success in leading their fellow-walkers from danger to safety. For ultimately it is Truth alone that prevails and not untruth. The wheels of God may grind slowly

perhaps, but they grind surely. Neither nations nor individuals can escape the consequences of the decisions they take.

#### 20th Century Barbarism

When faced with the issue of extinction or survival we are at first inclined to think that all methods are valid as the English proverb says, 'All is fair in love and war.' The temptation to destroy our enemies at any cost and as quickly as possible is so overpowering that we stoop to the basest methods justifying our meanness by the greatness of the issues at stake. Even in this twentieth century barbarism masquerades under the guise of religion, culture and civilization. Exploitation like the demon in Indian myth takes ever new forms when the older forms become repugnant to the moral conscience of even the supporters of such exploitation. In so-called barbaric times men killed all the males of the enemy group and carried away their women and property. In later ages conquering races came and settled in the lands of the conquered and treated the conquered as slaves. Christian people went a step further in the refining of such methods; they captured the Negroes of Africa and sold them as slaves in America to till the plantations for the whites. This brazen inhumanity however roused the conscience of the better class of men and women in Africa and as the result of the Civil War and the noble and adamant attitude of the immortal Abraham Lincoln the Negro slaves received a release from their badge of slavery, though politically they still do not enjoy the full rights of citizenship in the United States.

#### Barbaric use of Political Might

The treatment of Indians and Negroes in South Africa is but another example of the barbaric use of political might to crush down the legitimate aspirations of different racial groups. The destruction of Italy, Japan and Germany is also an example of the holocaust created by wrong ideals both among the conquered and the conquerors. The use of the atom bomb upon Nagasaki and Hiroshima and the hanging of German and Japanese leaders of war also remind us of brutal treatment meted out to their enemies by ancient barbarians.

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### Rail-fares To Be Increased

With regard to the proposed increase of railway rates and fares the Ministry of Communications and Works, it is understood, has issued specific instructions to the General Manager of Railways that the third-class passenger fares should be the least affected.

The new fares are to be worked out in such a manner that the proportion of the increase is to be the highest in the case of the first-class passenger and lowest in the case of the third class traveller. The object of this is to ensure that the burden of the increased fares will fall lightliest on the third class passenger.

### Trouble in Burma

Well over 20,000 labourers in Rangoon on strike on Monday 1st demanding the British acceptance of the Anti Fascist People's Freedom League demands for Burma's constitutional future before January 31.

The Labour Commissioner of the Government of Burma, declared that the strike may be a prelude to a general strike by the week end.

A spokesman of the strikers said: 'This is only a token strike which will go on until January 31 but if the London negotiations break down we will continue the strike indefinitely.'

The Labour Commissioner said: 'The situation looks extremely serious. There is every possibility of a general strike involving not only labourers but the police, post and telegraph workers, railway men and Government servants.'

## NEW CONSTITUTION FOR GERMANY

### France Submits Proposals

The French Government has proposed a new constitution for Germany in a note submitted to the United States, Soviet and British Governments.

The Note proposes that the German National Parliament or Reichstag should be abolished and that Germany should go back to a Prussian type of Government in a loose decentralised confederation of comparatively independent German States.

The Note, as yet unpublished, is understood to include the following points: Germany to be a confederation of separate States in which the chief powers should be vested in individual States with the Federal Government's functions limited

### That Heaven On Earth

#### Soviet Criticism of Churchill's Scheme

The National Executive of the British Labour Party decided last week on a 'hands off' attitude, for the present at least, towards Mr. Winston Churchill's all party 'United Europe Committee.'

The recent formation of the 'United Europe' Committee, headed by Mr. Winston Churchill, was the subject of sharp criticism by the Moscow Radio.

It said that Lord Templewood let out what Mr. Churchill preferred to keep dark when he said that the model for European peoples might be the British Commonwealth of Nations. 'We see how all the pious talk about Christianity leads to seizing hold of Europe under that cover and building up that heaven on earth which now reigns, say, in India, the Union of South Africa, Burma and other countries of the British Commonwealth,' the Radio said.

### India's Representative In Malaya

Mrs Ammu Swaminathan, Congress representative of Madras City in the Central Assembly and a member of the Constituent Assembly, is being mentioned for the post of the Government of India's Representative in Malaya.

Mrs. Ammu Swaminathan (adds the A. P. A.) confirmed that she had received an invitation to proceed to Malaya and she would be conveying her final decision to the Government soon.

to such over-all considerations as finance, food, transportation, posts and telegraphs and certain aspects of economic and foreign affairs. Assemblies within each State to appoint representatives to 'The House of States' every four years.

The House of States to appoint every year a new Federal President, who would himself appoint the Federal Government responsible for the above functions. The State Governments to be responsible for all other functions to have their own police force, to appoint Judges to the German Supreme Court, to be able to appoint Ambassadors to foreign Powers and negotiate State matters with them but forbidden to make alliance or mergers with each other. International treaties for Germany as a whole would have to be approved by a two-thirds majority of the House of States.





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### INGENIOUS WAYS AND MEANS

THE LIFE OF THE STATE Council was extended from time to time on three occasions and in all, eleven years have elapsed after the last elections. When we examine what work has been done for benefitting Jaffna we shall find that little has been done during the first decade. During the last year, however, several things have been done. The State Councillors who represent the four electoral divisions in the peninsula claim to their credit the laying of the foundation for the cement factory, the opening of the Civil Hospital at Kankasanturai, the partial completion of the Pannai Causeway, a vote of Rs. 2 million for the Karaiyoor Slum relief and an additional maternity ward at the Jaffna Civil Hospital. The member for Valigamam North prides himself over the part he played in the Island's free education scheme while the member for Jaffna thinks that he has been chiefly responsible for the Rs. 2 million vote for the Karaiyoor. Activity, of this kind is not peculiar to Jaffna. Everywhere in Ceylon Ministers and members of the State Council are vying with each other to impress upon the public the utility of the work each has undertaken and is doing. The fabulous cost of Mr. Kannangara's "pearl of great price" or Mr. Kotelawala's Hydro-electric scheme, or Mr. Senanayake's agricultural policy needs no mention. No one can gainsay the usefulness of such schemes. Who will not like to press a button and 'do away with the rice pounder', or like to make free medical treatment available for all or enjoy the benefit of free education from the Kindergarten to the University? The ministers in submitting such schemes have lost all sense of proportion. The estimated total revenue for 1946-1947 was roughly about Rs. 350 million and this amount which is about 4½ times the total revenue of 1931 has been found insufficient, and the Financial Secretary on being requested to devise ways and means for meeting the cost of such abnormal schemes has ingeniously suggested an additional revenue of Rs. 126 million from export duty alone.

To continue indefinitely the enhanced rate of Income tax initially imposed for the period of 2 years ending March, 1947,

## FREE EDUCATION

### M.S.C.'S. Apprehensions

"Members of the State Council, the Minister of Education, the Board of Ministers—none of them realise the implications and the responsibilities connected with the free education scheme they have launched. There are ten lakhs of children of school-going age and at least 5,000 teachers are required to give them a fair education," said Mr. P. de S. Kularatne, M. S. C. speaking, in Sinhalese to a large gathering of parents, teachers and school children.

Mr. Kularatne was presiding at the annual prize-day celebrations of the Sujatha Vidyalaya, Matara, held at the school hall last week.

Mr. Kularatne said that he calculated the expenditure on salaries alone would be between 5 and 15 million rupees. This was far in excess of the entire revenue of the island some years ago. He said that he had great apprehensions of the future, yet it was his fervent wish that the scheme would be well handled by those responsible for it.

## Copra Price Increased

The price of copra has been increased from Wednesday last from Rs. 100/- to Rs. 125 per candy. Proportionately higher prices are being paid for coconut oil.

## A UNITED FRONT

### Leaguer's Talks with Bose

Mr. Abul Hashim, Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League said that he had had talks with Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose and the Provincial I. N. A. officials, in the course of which they had "purely academic discussions as to the future of India in general and Bengal in particular."

"How to build up a united front against British Imperialism and how to attain complete independence of the whole Indian continent, Pakistan and Hindustan, was the central theme of our discussions", Mr. Hashim explained,

to impose a high duty of 35 cents per pound on tea and give a reduction of 25 cents per pound on rubber, to levy an additional duty of Rs. 50 per candy on copra and to pay half of it to the producer—these are in main the new proposals. It is claimed that the burden will fall in great measure on the foreign consumer. We have our genuine doubts about the wisdom of these measures to augment the revenue. The repercussions may be disastrous when the island reverts to prewar conditions and other countries like the East Indies are able to get back to normal production. The foreign consumer will no longer pay such higher prices for Ceylon's tea, rubber or coconuts. When we take into consideration that the so-called temporary enhanced rate of income tax has become more or less permanent and the unprecedented revenue expected from the Customs we cannot but come to the conclusion that the burden of this taxation will fall on rich and poor alike.

## All-India Sanskrit University

By "SRIDHARA"

IT is a matter of great pride to Hindus, wherever and in whatever position they are to know that steps are being taken to found an All-India Sanskrit University; Baratha Varsha is a land of Rishis with a glorious past unparalleled in the history of the world, both mundane and spiritual the latter outstanding and shining above all even today with a certainty of remaining so ever afterwards. It is no exaggeration that Sanskrit literature is the treasure-house of the Hindu glory, greatness, unmatched culture and knowledge. We are glad that this ancient heritage of ours is going to be revived and developed throughout the length and breadth of Hindusthan in particular, and in the whole world in general. With this noble object in view a great All-India movement has been launched under the auspices of Bhartiya Vidya Prachar Samiti, Agra and with the support of some of the foremost personalities in India notable among whom are Mahatma Gandhi, His Highness the Maharajah of Alwar, Dr. N. P. Asthana, Advocate General United Provinces, Sri Shampurnanda Education Minister, United Provinces and Dr. Shyam Prasad Mukherji

President, All-India Hindu Maha Sabha.

The benefits which would accrue to Hindusthan and to the world in general from the establishment of the Sanskrit University are innumerable to mention: it is the duty of every Hindu, no matter where he lives, to contribute his mite to make this great institution an accomplished fact before long. We are told that 25 crores of rupees are now required for the practical accomplishment of the University. His Highness the Maharajah of Alwar has already made a generous offer amounting in value to about a crore of rupees in the form of buildings, library and equipment. Apart from this His Highness has been pleased to sanction a recurring grant of fifty thousand rupees per annum to the University. A good start has been thus made: and we are sure Hindus will not fail to respond to the appeal for funds. The time has now come for everyone to discharge his or her duty by contributing his or her share so that the University, the first of its kind in the world, may be in full swing by the appointed date. Those who help the cause of Education are thrice blessed.

## AGREEMENT AT LAST

### But Three Members Dissent

The Burmese Delegation has reached an agreement with the British Government, with two Burman delegates dissenting. Thakin Ba Sein, one of the delegates said, cables Harold Guard, the U. P. A. Correspondent.

The agreement was signed, following the final talks on Tuesday last. He said that U Aung San, Thakin Mya, U Ba Pe, and U Tin Tut were in agreement with the British Government, while U Saw and himself dissented and intended to resign from the Burma Executive Council on their return to Burma.

It is understood that the basis of the agreement was for an Interim Government under existing constitution for Burma which would function by a "co-operate understanding" with Britain.

The Executive Council would function as the Interim Government and the Constituent Assembly could decide whether or not Burma should remain within the British Commonwealth.

Thakin Ba Sein, he and U Saw dissented and did not sign the agreement and would give Prime Minister Attlee their reasons in writing to-day.

Thakin Ba Sein said: "We came to Britain with a unanimous demand for independence within one year. The British Government's offer is short of our expectations and does not differ from the White Paper for Burma. The Constituent Assembly is not sovereign."

The British Government take the view, however, that the agreement is accepted by a majority in the Delegation.

## More Taxation

### Aim Rs 126,500,000

Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, the Financial Secretary, announced has new revenue proposals which are expected to realise, in extra export duty alone, about Rs. 126,500,000, if 1945 is taken as the criterion.

The proposals include a bigger duty on exports of tea and coconut produce and extension for an indefinite period of the special income tax upper levels which were introduced as a temporary measure about two years ago.

The additional revenue of Rs. 126,500,000 is expected to be made up as follows: Rs. 90 million from coconut oil, Rs. 1,250,000 from desiccated coconut and Rs. 1,250,000 from fresh coconut.

## Ministers to Govern for 5 Months

The HINDU ORGAN understands that with arrangements now making good progress for receiving nominations in June, there is not likely to be any further extension of the State Council. The Board of Ministers will consider the matter shortly and place its views on the subject before the Governor who is the final authority for the extension of the term of the State Council or its dissolution.

If the Council is dissolved on the expiry of its present term—either on March 5 or 12—the Board of Ministers will carry on the Government till late in July or early in August when the new Parliament will be inaugurated.



# Jaffna Municipal Electorates

## Communalism is Encouraged Says Chairman

### Memorandum for Fresh Investigation

THE Executive Committee of Local Administration has approved the Jaffna Rate payers' Association's Scheme of distribution of electoral divisions of the proposed Jaffna Municipal Council in preference to the Scheme submitted by the Jaffna Urban Council, as a result of which keen resentment is voiced by the Chairman of the Urban Council Mr. C. Ponnampalam.

It may be remembered that the Urban Council submitted a scheme, as well as the Government Agent of the Province, and the Ratepayers' Association, for dividing Jaffna Town into fifteen divisions. Certain Muslim organisations forwarded representations for two Muslim seats while other Muslim organisations represented that there was need for one seat for Muslims, with voting strength for Muslims in other divisions. The Depressed Class organisations made representations that at least three divisions should be carved out to enable Depressed Class members to be returned.

The Urban Council scheme provided for one electoral division, in which voters from the Depressed Classes would have every opportunity of returning their candidate Mr. Coomaraswamy Government Agent, in his scheme adopted the same ward, it is stated, for the Depressed Classes as provided in the Urban Council's plan, with his own modifications of other electoral divisions of the Council's scheme. The Rate payers' plan provided for two wards for Muslims and two wards in which they stated the Depressed Classes would be able to return their own men.

Mr. E. W. Kannangara, the Commissioner of Local Government, visited Jaffna on January 11 and received deputations from the bodies that had already made representations Mr. Kannangara informed the deputations that the Government Agent had withdrawn his plan and that only the two plans submitted by the Urban Council and the Ratepayers' Association would be considered.

#### Executive Committee's Decision

On considering the report from Mr. Kannangara, the Executive Committee of Local Administration adopted at a meeting held on January 21, the Ratepayers' Association's plan with slight modifications. On receipt of information of this decision the Chairman of the Urban Council, Mr. C. Ponnampalam, on behalf of the members of his Council forwarded a strongly worded memorandum to the Minister of Local Administration, protesting against the decision arrived at by the Executive Committee and urging revision.

In the course of the memorandum Mr. Ponnampalam states: "I understand that the Government Agent of the Northern Province has since approved or recommended or stated he had no objection to the distribution of electoral divisions as suggested by the Ratepayers' Association being adopted. The Government Agent is Mr. C. Coomaraswamy. Mr. Coomaraswamy's name has been talked about for at least six months if not longer, as a candidate for election to Parliament for the Jaffna Town seat. In these circumstances any recommendation of Mr. Coomaraswamy should not be considered or agreed to. I do not think there will be any reason whatsoever for the adoption of the Ratepayers' Association's scheme, unless it be that it has been recommended by the Government Agent. The recommendation of the Government Agent under the aforesaid circumstances should not be considered at all."

Mr. Ponnampalam further criticises the representative character of the Ratepayers' Association and, referring to the Depressed Class representation, states "The Board of Ministers are opposed to the introduction of the communal principle in the matter of representation to the legislature. When Ministers are opposed to racial or religious representation how can they support representation on the basis of caste? If the Depressed Classes are to be given special representation, it may be that several castes in Jaffna will ask for special representation and the Vellalas themselves may ask for special representation for protection against all other castes put together."

Mr. Ponnampalam concludes with the request that a special Commissioner be sent to spend one month in Jaffna and draw up a scheme, or that the Council's scheme be adopted.

## Travancore's New Constitution

### Govt. by Committees Envisaged

The Government of Travancore have issued a Press Communiqué outlining proposals for the new constitution of the State. The proposals are dealt with under five heads: Legislature, Executive, Dewan, Judiciary and the Residuary Powers of the Sovereign.

The salient features of the new Constitution are:—

There will be a bi-cameral Legislature, the elections to the Assembly being on the basis of universal adult suffrage for men and women without any weightage in favour of any class or community. The members of the Sri Chitra State Council will be elected on a functional and facultative basis. The Legislature will have jurisdiction over the entire field of Government, subject to certain specified exceptions. Each House will elect its own President and Deputy President.

The Executive administration and machinery of the State shall be under the general and disciplinary control of the Dewan who shall be appointed by His Highness the Maharaja and shall hold office during His Highness' pleasure.

The control of the Legislature over the policy of Government Departments will be exercised through Executive Committees

Sweeping charges that recreated Nazi organisations in Germany, "whose power is increasing more and more each month," were seeking to return to power through capturing control of democratic institutions, have been laid before the Allied Governments, the international Committee for the study of European questions announced today.

In an exhaustive report, the Committee stated that "the Nazi Party has recovered from the first shock of Germany's defeat and is obviously reorganising for a return to power through control of the democratic institutions set up by the Allies."

It alleged there existed throughout Germany a network of organisations whose power was increasing more and more each month. The Nazi organisations practised passive resistance, and were endeavouring to counteract de-Nazification and "keep as many as possible of their men in key positions."

electd by the Legislature of which there will be six.

The Dewan may convene meetings of one or more or all of the Executive Committees and may confer with or address them on matters within their jurisdiction. He will have the power to veto any recommendation of the Executive Committees for reasons to be stated in writing.

## CHALLENGE TO U. N. O.

### Repercussions of Smuts' Decision

GENERAL Smuts's statement in the Union Parliament last week that the Union Government did not intend to carry out the requests made in the United Nations' resolutions either as regards Indians in the Union or as regards South-West Africa is described by the London Economist as "retrograde moves which affect all white nations."

The Economist says: "Whatever be the domestic interpretations of these statements, they in fact knock a very large hole in the United Nations' frail structure. If South Africa can turn a deaf ear to the voice of a majority, why not also Albania?"

"The second consequence of his speech is to split the United Nations into two camps, one white and one coloured, one reactionary and the other eager for a change and readjustment of values. This deplorable division was already discernible at the first Assembly where Russia and India took it in turn to lead the innovators. The rift is now bound to increase because John Bull—who is to far too many of the world's peoples from his topper downwards an outdated reactionary—has begotten a son who stops his ears and covers his eyes and refuses to look ahead."

#### Reaction in India

While official comment is for the moment withheld on Field Marshal Smuts's declaration Indian circles

regard the position arising from that declaration as one principally for the U. N. to deal with at its next session which is expected to begin on September 16.

These circles sum up the situation as follows: The South African Premier's pronouncement and the debate on it in the South African Assembly amount to a double defiance of the U. N.'s considered verdict. Firstly, to say that the Indo-South African dispute is a domestic issue is to attempt to revive a plea which was rejected by the U. N. Secondly, Field Marshal Smuts' assertion means a flat refusal to carry out the U. N.'s direction to make a report to the Assembly on the Indian question.

The issue thus raised is as important internationally as it is for India nationally. It is a test case and a challenge which the U. N. cannot ignore without serious impairment of its authority. It is suggested that the Government of India for its part need do no more than report to the next session of the U. N. Assembly that South Africa has declined to discuss the matter. It is not for India to make any approach to South Africa. India is the complainant before the U. N. and has obtained a verdict in her favour, and it remains for the defendant to honour the terms of that verdict or make its own explanations to the authority which gave that verdict.

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# VEDANTA MOOLA SARAM OR THE ESSENCE OF THE UPANISHADS

(By A Science Graduate)

(Continued from our issue of 24-1-47)

## XLV

## XIII. THE CHANDOGYA UPANISHAD (Contd.)

## Fourth Adhyayam

The last chapter concluded by recommending meditation on the sun as symbolic of God, after having first described the same (sun) as one of the four feet of Akas which in turn was symbolic of God. The present chapter commences by symbolizing as God Vayu (air) and Pranan (breath) which had similarly been previously spoken of as another foot of God in the guise of Akas and mind. The subject is introduced in two sections which speak of a pious king called Janasruti, a giver of unbounded charities, who learnt from a conversation among some swans (some sages disguised as swans) which he overheard, that there was a brahmin known as Raikvar, poor and sickly, but possessed of great knowledge. Him the king approached becomingly, gave him his daughter in marriage along with other valuable presents and asked for instruction regarding the Deity worshipped by him.

Section III contains Raikva's sermon to the king: Vayu indeed is the absorbent of all. For when fire goes out, it goes into air; when the sun goes down, it goes into air; when the moon sets, it goes into air; when waters dry, they go into air. Air indeed consumes all.... Breath indeed is the absorbent of all. When man sleeps, speech merges into breath; so do sight, hearing and mind. Breath indeed consumes all. These are the two ends, Vayu among the Devas and breath among animal functions (sruties 1 to 4).—To sum up, Vayu and breath should be meditated on as symbolic of God. Here follows a conversation between two men who were eating some food and a beggar, to whom they shewd reluctance to give anything and who upbraided them in allegorical language: Who is he who swallows the venerable four, the guardian of the world? Mortals see him not. He exists in various forms. To him this food belongs and him have you denied (sruti 6).—The reference is to Vayu aforementioned as symbolic of God and omnipresent and who swallows fire, sun, moon, water, everything. Needless to say, the beggar was then served with some food.

Sections IV to IX contain the story of a boy by name Satyakama Jabalan who tended his tutor's cattle and learnt from a bull, &c. the details regarding the quarters, &c. which are to be meditated on as forming the four feet of God, and reacquired the same knowledge from his tutor—it being a Shastric rule that it is only such knowledge as is acquired from one's own tutor that is really beneficial.—Meditation on the mind and on Akas as God, each with four feet was prescribed in section XVIII of the third chapter. The elaboration here prescribes meditation on the four-membered feet of God, the first being the Prakasavan (luminous) shining in the east, west, south and north; the second, the Anantavan (endless) consisting of the earth, the sky, the heaven and the ocean; the third, the Jyotishman (effulgent) made up of fire, sun, moon and lightning; and the fourth, the Ayatanavan (spacious) with breath, the eye, the ear and the mind as its four quarters. Whoever meditates on these four-membered feet of God in their different aspects as above will become luminous, endless, effulgent and possessed of the worlds.

The next six sections (X to XV) contain the story of a seeker after truth named Upakosalan who tended the sacrificial fires of his tutor Satyakaman aforesaid for twelve years and learnt from them (the fires) that breath (Pranan) is symbolic of God, as are also Ka (=pleasure) and Kha (=Akas), these latter being identified with the pleasant or happy (sentient) Akas in the heart;—earth, fire, food, the sun and the person seen in the sun; water, the quarters, stars, the moon and he who is seen in the moon; breath, sky, heaven, lightning and he who is seen in the lightning;—that these are all identical with the sacrificial fires (being all symbolic of God); and that he who, knowing this, meditates on the being in the sun, in the moon and in the lightning (as God) destroys sin, obtains the worlds (of the fire, Agni), reaches his full age and lives in glory, his race does not perish and the fires protect him in this world and in the other. The tutor confirmed all this, adding that "as water does not cling to a lotus leaf, so no sin clings to one who understands this" (XIV, 3), and that "that Being who is seen within the eye, that verily is the Atman (Paramatman, God). He is the Fearless, the Deathless (Amritam, Sivam). He is Brahman (the ever growing). Should any ghee or water drop on this it passes away" (XV, 1).—In this respect, the lotus, the God-knower, the eye and the Person in the eye are similar. This sruti reminds us of the Devara lines திருவே, என் செவ்வமே... கண்ணே, கண்ணிற் கருமணியே, மணி மார்பாவாய், காவாய்... (Oh! Beauteous Lord, my Darling... my eye, the pupil of my eye, the image shining in the eye, do protect me), &c.

(To be Continued)

## The Small Schools' (Swapasha) Head Teachers' Union

The inaugural meeting of the small schools (swapasha) Head Teachers' Union was held on 25-1-47 at 4 p. m. at Pannagam Meihandan School, Chulipuram.

A resolution was passed claim-

ing equal salaries for all Head Teachers according to their certificates irrespective of the size of the school.

The following office bearers were elected: President: K. Kandaiya; Secretary: K. Pararajasingham; Treasurer: K. Visuvalingam; a Committee of seven was also elected.

—Cor.

## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 651.

In the matter of the intestate of the late Thangappillai wife of Thiagarajah Arulananthamoorthy of Tellippalai Deceased

Kandappillai Arumugam of Mallekam Petitioner

Vs.

1. Thiagarajah Arulananthamoorthy of Tellippalai South West.
2. Theivanaipillai widow of Kathirithamby of Tellippalai South West and
3. Kathirithamby Sivapatham of Mallekam. 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. Selvadurai, District Judge.

(O. 137. 28 &amp; 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 Sithambappillai Ponniah of Thambakam Pallai Deceased

Muttachchippillai widow of Sithambappillai Ponniah of Karanavai North Petitioner

Velupillai Thamotharampillai of Periapalli in Pallai Respondent.

This matter coming 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. Kanapadhipillai Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the Petition and affidavit of the Petitioner having been read.

It is ordered that the Petitioner be and is hereby declared entitled to take out Letters of Administra-

## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 621

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Chellammah wife of Sellappah Elagupillai of Chankanai, Jaffna. Deceased.

Chellappah Elagupillai of Chankanai. Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Elagupillai Vijayaratham of do.
2. Elagupillai Vijayanathan of do.
3. Elagupillai Vijayapalan of do.
4. Elagupillai Vijayaladchumy of do.
5. Muttupillai widow of Nagamuttu Chittampalam of do.

Minors

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 the petitioner, the Notary and witnesses having been read; it is ordered that the above-named 5th respondent that 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 September 1932 be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the 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 court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said 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 and show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 15th day of November 1946.

Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai, District Judge.

Extended to 31-1-47.  
(O. 136. 28 & 31-1-47.)

tion with the copy of Will annexed and that Letters of Administration be issued to her accordingly unless the Respondent or any other person or persons shall appear before this court on the 6th day of February 1947 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

The 13th day of January 1947.

Sgd. G. C. T. A. de Silva, Addl. District Judge

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## POLICE REFORM

### Commission Deplores Friction

THE Police Commission, whose report is now before the Board of Ministers, considers that it will be a sheer waste of time to attempt to reorganise the force while the present state of internal antagonism prevails.

It recommends that it must be put to an end to immediately and thinks that the opportunity for that will soon arise.

A Police Force of 6,000 men, consisting of the Inspector-General, three Deputy Inspectors-General, 82 other Gazetted Officers, 500 Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors, 752 Sergeants and 4,662 Constables has been recommended.

"It is our opinion," states the report, "that the future of the Force depends to a large extent on the Police Training School and the Criminal Investigation Department and every endeavour should be made to put these institutions on a sound footing."

It is also recommended that the designation—Ceylon Police Force—should be altered to Ceylon Police Service. Similar changes are also recommended in regard to the designations of the administration officers. The Inspector-General is to be known as the Commissioner of Police; the Deputy Inspectors-General as Deputy Commissioners; the Superintendents as Provincial Inspectors; and the Assistant Superintendents as District Inspectors.

Dress reform is also recommended. Brass buttons are to be replaced by gun metal or chromium buttons. Khaki stockings are to be substituted for putties. The blue serge uniforms and heavy leather boots are to be "consigned to the limbo of forgotten things." Khaki uniforms, light boots, rubber shoes and warm overcoats and under-wear for those serving in Up-country areas are among the other recommendations.

### China's Ambassador To India

According to reports Dr. Wen Yuan Ning would be appointed soon as China's first Ambassador to India.

Dr. Wen was educated at Cambridge and was a Member of China's wartime goodwill mission to Britain. Formerly he edited the *Tie Hsiao*, China's foremost English language cultural magazine.

### Farewell to Education Officer

At a farewell accorded by the Puttalam Muslim Educational Society to Mr. A. V. Mylvaganam, B. A., B. Sc., (Inspector of Schools, Puttalam District) special references were made by Messrs. M. H. M. Neina Marikar, Bar-at-Law and H. S. Ismail, Chairman, U. C., in appreciation of his services rendered to the Muslim Community in matters of Education and his latest work "Pulavar Attupadai" about N. Sheikh Alauden, a blind poet of Karaiteevu in Puttalam. It was also mentioned that if not for the work of Mr. Mylvaganam the poet who was lost in the wilderness would not have been found.

Mr. Mylvaganam dwelt at length on the Muslim Culture making a historical sketch of the beginning, the development and the spread of it and the actual bearing it has now in the world affairs and stated that there is a general awakening of the Muslims everywhere and this awakening would very soon lead them to their proper goal.—Cor.

## HIGHER WAGES

The Financial Secretary, Sir Oliver Goonetilleke, will place before the State Council at its next sessions beginning on February 5, three supplementary estimates of Rs 12,026,500 for the payment of revised salaries to daily-paid Government employees. The three supplementary estimates are Rs. 7,337,500 under Miscellaneous Services; Rs. 4,000,000 under Railway Estimates and Rs. 689,000 under the estimates of the Electrical Department. These estimates are for the payment of revised salaries to daily-paid hands and apprentices for the period of January to September, 1946.

The Board of Ministers approved the estimates on Monday last.

### Jaffna S. C. Win Soccer Tourney

The Jaffna Sports Club, the winners of the Jaffna Apothecaries' Cup Soccer competition met a team drawn from the rest of the clubs that took part in the competition on January 18 on the Jaffna Police grounds. The match was under the patronage of Mr. A. Mahadeva, Minister for Home Affairs.

The match though it did not reach a high standard, was interesting from start to finish and ended in a draw, each side scoring 3 goals.

After the match the members of the two teams were introduced to Mr. Mahadeva, by the respective captains.

Then the Secretary of the Jaffna Sports Association called upon the Minister to give away the cup to the champion team. Mr. Mahadeva thanked the officers of the Jaffna Sports Association for organising such a successful tournament. He then presented the cup to the captain of the winning team.

### "Tyagarajah Songs Will Convert Mr. Senanayake"

"If Indians are denied the rights of citizenship, a composition of Tyagarajah Swamy played before Mr. D. S. Senanayake will convert him overnight," declared Mr. S. Nadarajan, at the Tyagarajah Centenary Celebrations held on Sunday, last at the Vivekananda Society hall Hill Street Kotahena.

"Tyagarajah Swamy was a genius, and with his talent he made it easier for Hindus to realise the Absolute," he added.

The celebrations began at 8 a. m. In the evening the portrait of Tyagarajah Swamy was taken in procession along the streets.

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## Barbaric Use Of Political Might

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And the race for economic exploitation of the world between the United States, Great Britain, or Russia is but a veiled continuation of the barbaric urge to dominate or destroy the so called weak and alien nations.

### Religion Exploited

But more pertinent to our discussion are the political riots in India which are but the fore-running symptoms of the danger that is confronting the people inhabiting this ancient land. Reactionary forces have played upon the basest instincts of mankind and have used the differences between Hindus and Muslims to bring about a state of affairs which are reminiscent of the darkest and bloodiest periods of Muslim history in India as even Mr. Shamsuddin Ahmed, a League Minister of Bengal, had been compelled to confess. The barbaric atrocities in Calcutta and Noakhali found their echo in Bihar villages and the reverberations can be heard also in almost all the big towns and villages where the two communities are living. Alluding to these communal riots, Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan, the Frontier leader says: 'Religion teaches us to love our fellow-beings. It is surprising to see that in our country certain interested persons and parties are exploiting the fair name of religion to serve their own base ends. Appealing to all the communities to keep the peace and not to play into the hands of their enemies Gaffer Khan adds, 'We are playing the British game and strengthening the hands of the die-hard Tories like Mr. Churchill by not behaving like human beings. It is nothing else but bestiality to molest and kill innocent women and children for no other fault than their allegiance to certain parties or religions. I am convinced of the lurking British hand behind the present troubles in our country. Britishers are successfully following their old policy of divide and rule. I apprehend that the riots would spread to the other provinces unless the saner sections in both communities organized themselves in the meantime against trouble-mongers who are invariably British stooges.' That the poor people of India are dying as pawn in the political chess-board and that their worst religious passions have been roused for this purpose is evident from a statement of Mr. Jinnah. Asked by a foreign correspondent as to what would happen in the next six months or a year if the Congress and the League are not agreed on the question of the division of the country, Mr. Jinnah said, 'What happens is what you see. You have been witnessing what is happening.' So in order to achieve the Pakistan of his dreams Jinnah is prepared to plunge the land into fratricidal chaos.

(To be continued)

## NEWS IN BRIEF

Tuesday February 4 will be a Public and Bank holiday on account of the birthday of Prophet Mohamed.

Mr. E. A. Koelmeyer, Superintendent of Police, Galle has been transferred as Superintendent of Police, C. I. D. Colombo.

The newly elected Dehiwela-Mt. Lavinia Urban Council has decided that all its future meetings should be conducted in Sinhalese.

A Trust known as the Ceylon University Sanghrama and Vihara trust has been founded by Mr. D. R. Wijewardane.

The 3rd annual celebration of the Jaffna Hindu Youngmen's Mahasabai will be held on Sunday the 2nd November at the Sanmarka Bhodana Vidyasalai.

The Ceylon League of Ex-Servicemen say they are planning to send a number of volunteers for recruitment to the Expeditionary forces fighting for the Viet Nam Government against the French troops in Viet-Nam.

The Sattanathaswami temple at Shiyali one of the most ancient temples in South India was thrown open to the Harijans on Sunday last. This temple is one of the 27 shrines under the management of His Holiness the Pandara Sannadhi of the Dharmapuram Mutt.

### Trade Delegations

After a protracted discussion the Executive Committee of Labour, Industry and Commerce decided yesterday by a majority vote in favour of sending, in the first instance, trade delegations to the United States, Australia and the Middle East, instead of appointing Trade Representatives in those countries.

It is learned that the Committee was told that the majority of the Board of Ministers favoured sending delegations instead of appointing trade representatives at this stage. The Committee itself was sharply divided on the issue. Messrs. R. E. Jayatilaka and K. Natesa Iyer were strongly in favour of the appointment of Trade Commissioners.

The majority, however, were in favour of trade delegations.

### OBITUARY

MRS. C. T. SOLOMONS

Lily Thavamany, wife of Mr. C. T. Solomons, District Supervisor of Milk Feeding Centres, Jaffna, died after a short illness on Friday the 17th instant.

The funeral took place in the evening in the presence of a very large gathering of friends and relations. The services both at the house and at grave yard were conducted by the Rev. V. B. Muthuvaloe Vicar of St. John's Church, Chundikuli.

Mrs. Solomons leaves behind her, besides her husband, two daughters, three brothers, Vilvarajasingham, Ratnasingham and Gunasingham and a sister Mrs. J. A. Rasiab of Kandana.

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### British Leftists Condemn Churchill

Mr. Winston Churchill's campaign for a united States of Europe has come under scathing Left-wing criticism in Great Britain as Soviet Russia manifested uneasiness over the forthcoming Anglo French alliance regarded by many as a step towards a European federation.

The "Rebel" Labour M. P., Mr. Tom Driberg, said in an article in *Reynolds News* that the United Europe Committee headed by Mr. Churchill included 'some of the most monumental phoneys, bores and stooges of our age.'

*Reynolds News* said editorially: 'The greatest world problem is to seek a world relationship between Russia and the rest of the world and that purpose will be hindered and not served by any so-called United Europe led by Mr. Churchill whose record and openly proclaimed desires can reuse nothing but suspicion in Russia.'

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## ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA  
Case No. 650 T.

In the matter of the Estate of the late Nalliah Nallathamby of Nalloor Deceased

Nallathamby Canagaratnam of Nalloor and Petitioner.

Amirthavallyamma widow of Nallathamby of do Respondents

This matter of the petition of the abovenamed petitioner praying that letters of administration to the Estate of the abovenamed deceased coming on for disposal before R. R. Se'vadurai Esquire District Judge Jaffna in the presence of Mr. C. T. Kumaaswamy Practitioner it is ordered that the Petitioner as sole heir of the abovenamed deceased is entitled to letters of administration unless the Respondent shall show sufficient cause to the contrary on the 12th day of February 1947.

This 21 January 1947.  
Sgd. R. R. Se'vadurai  
District Judge

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## Indian Independence

### A CERTAINTY IN 1948

"Indian independence is a certainty by the end of 1948", declared Mr. C. Rajagopalachari Member for Industries and Supplies at a reception given in his honour by the Delhi South India Club.

Mr. Rajagopalachari said that the Cabinet Mission had specifically stated that Pakistan is an impossibility and added, "I foresee that the Muslim League will gradually forget the idea of Pakistan."

"Prominent members of the League have renounced the titles conferred on them by the British Government and some of them have prepared themselves to offer Satyagraha and go to jails", thus treading the path Congress walked through many a decade ago, said Mr. Rajagopalachari. He hoped that 'slowly and gradually' the League would co-operate with other parties to make easier the task of drawing up of the constitution for a sovereign Indian Republic.

Sir N. Gopalaswami Iyengar who also spoke said: 'what we have already done is hardly the beginning of things. We have a long to travel and have to encounter many an obstacle and difficult problem'

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