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## MINISTER PONNAMBALAM OPENS HINDU COLLEGE CARNIVAL

### G. A. Plants Jubilee Tree

The Diamond Jubilee Carnival of the Jaffna Hindu College was declared open by Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam, Minister of Industries, on Wednesday last in the presence of a large gathering.

Calling upon Mr. Ponnambalam to open the Carnival, Mr. T. Muthu samipillai, Crown Advocate, President of the Carnival Committee traced the growth of the Hindu Institution and referred to the great work done by the Jaffna Saiva Paripalana Sabha in the cause of Hindu Education.

Continuing, Mr. Muttusamipillai said that Mr. Ponnambalam had sacrificed a lucrative practice at the bar to accept Ministerial responsibility to serve the people and that by his unceasing efforts has enabled the early production of cement at the Kankasanturai Factory—the Kankesan brand of high quality.

### Education Centre

Declaring the Carnival open Mr. Ponnambalam said that though he was not an old boy of the Jaffna Hindu College, it was his proud privilege to be associated with it for the simple reason that it occupied a great place in the educational and cultural life of all Tamils. The college, the Minister continued, had as its head at different times several distinguished educationists and promised to rise equal to the educational demand of Jaffna under the able guidance of Mr. A. Cumarasamy the present principal.

Mr. Ponnambalam in conclusion said that no cause deserved better support than that of the Jaffna Hindu College and added that it was the duty of every one to contribute to the College Building Fund to enable the construction of additional class rooms and lecture halls to meet the pressure of increa-

sing admission of students.

### Jubilee Dinner

Earlier in the day a special Poojab in honour of the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee was performed at the College Hall, arranged by Mr. S. T. M. P. Chidambaranatha Chettiyar a member of the Board of Directors of the College and affiliated schools. After the Poojab, a gold medal in recognition of the praiseworthy services of Mr. A. Cumarasamy the Principal, was presented by Mr. T. Muttusamipillai on behalf of the donor Mr. S. T. M. P. Chidambaranatha Chettiyar.

A Jubilee lunch followed. Among those who sat for the lunch was Mr. P. O. Fernando, Government Agent, N. P.

After lunch a mango tree was planted in the college quadrangle in memory of the great occasion by Mr. P. O. Fernando the Government Agent.

### Tamil Research Institute Needed

Mr. T. S. Avinasilingam, President of the Tamil Academy, Madras at an informal Conference of the members of the Tamil Festival Committee held on Tuesday last at Parameshwara College suggested that some practical work of lasting benefit should follow the Festival.

Mr. K. Kanagaratnam suggested that a publication board should be set up to publish suitable text books according to modern requirements.

Rev. Fr. S. Thaninayagam said that he was intending to publish a monthly magazine in English entitled 'Famil Culture'.

Mr. S. Natesan stressed for continued contacts between the Madras Tamil Valarchi Kalagam and the Tamil Festival Committee with a view to planning development of the Tamil language and literature,

## Unprecedented Crowds Attend Tamil Festival

### High Watermark Of Discipline

(A Summing Up)

Even the Festival Committee failed to reckon with the capacity of the people to appreciate touches of culture and finesse of art. Every person who happened to be present at this major attraction in hush-hush thought felt he was in a debt of gratitude to the great philanthropist Sir P. Ramanathan for the ideal location of the Parameshwara College on the fringe of the Municipal limits in the midst of a vast acreage of land.

The sun blazed, pearl drops of perspiration trickled down the speakers and listeners, showers fell but the general enthusiasm never waned. Some speakers carried the audience with them, others were carried away by their own estimate of themselves, but the crowd was there.

Eight hours at a stretch listening to speakers willingly or not, many sat there as if their moral dictates demanded such action. The vast concourse acted in good humour as a well disciplined body as if inspired by high ethical principles.

The final day the climax of the convivial culture congress drew more than sixty thousand men and women. Sriamathi Vasanthakumari must have enjoyed the day more than her listeners for it was an inspiration even to a star artiste.

Below is published an account of the Festival of Britain for comparative study of the respective ideals behind these Festivals.

### Significance of Festival Of Britain

Writing on the Festival of Britain, the London "Daily Graphic" says: "This is the Festival week. That grand old lady Britannia planned to show her

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## 'A Great Newspaper is A Great Gentleman'

### Indian Journalist On The Duty Of The Press

Speaking at a Conference in India an eminent Indian Journalist made the following observations.

A journalist has been described as "a man who pushes his political views by his pen". Surely, the function of a journalist is much wider than this. Another view is that a journalist need not be a good writer. According to F. I. Mansfield of the London Times, "he who knows what is of interest to the public, the subjects that appeal at a particular moment, is a journalist in the very real sense, even though he is unable to write the acceptable articles required by his intuition and discernment". But, we cannot think of a journalist who is unable to write, however clever he might be to judge correctly what is of interest to the public.

### Trustees

We, who are connected with newspapers, must consider ourselves as trustees for the public. Unmoved by personal or communal interest we have "to tell the truth without prejudice and to spread knowledge without malicious intent". We have to jealously guard the integrity, prestige and safety of our country and promote international goodwill and world comradeship. A great newspaper is like a great gentleman. It keeps its independence, it stoutly refuses to play the part of an agent either of the Government or of private interests. It stands for truth and public interest and supports those who stand for the same and would not hesitate to criticise them when they act contrary to truth and public interest. In the conduct of journalism, as in all other matters, we have an unerring guide in Mahatma Gandhi, who said on one occasion, "one of the objects of the newspaper is to understand the popular feeling and to give expression to it, another

is to arouse among the people certain desirable sentiments and the third is fearlessly to expose defects."

### Helpful Criticism

I may be allowed to take advantage of this opportunity to point out to you certain matters which demand our immediate attention. It is needless to say that newspapers have a great part to play in shaping our new democracy. To keep a watchful and vigilant eye over matters of public interest and to offer helpful and constructive criticisms are certainly some of their functions in a free democracy. But there is also another—perhaps a more important function—of enlightening and educating the people so as to enable them to discharge their responsibilities as citizens of a free democratic country. This work has become very urgent and important in view of the coming general elections. More than the Government. It is the Press that has to undertake this task of educating the public, laying special emphasis on order, discipline and tolerance.

### No Partisanship

Further, in these days of forming groups inside the political parties, a new duty is cast upon us. No responsible newspaper should allow its columns to be utilised for carrying on propaganda in favour of particular groups or cliques thereby creating chaos and confusion in the country. We should help to build up a healthy political tradition for the working of our new democracy. While ample facilities should be given to all parties to place their policy and programme before the country, no encouragement

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Treasure These Thoughts

"How wonderful is this magical machine - the human body, the moving temple of god or the chariot of the soul! Mother Prahrithi has exhibited her marvellous skill and maximum dexterity in constructing this marvellous machine."

**JAFFNA HINDU COLLEGE**

THE Old Boys and well-wishers of the Jaffna Hindu College organised an All Ceylon Industrial Rally and Carnival to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of the College. It is gratifying to note that the services rendered by the College during the first sixty years of its career has been highly appreciated. His Excellency the Rt. Hon. Lord Soulbury, Governor General of Ceylon, has stated in his message that "for sixty years the Jaffna Hindu College, which is the premier Hindu Institution in this Island, has well and nobly served the Hindu community in the North. The College can look back with satisfaction and pride upon the achievements of well-nigh two generations of her progeny and can count among her sons many of the best and greatest citizens of Sri Lanka. Measured in time, sixty years is a brief moment, but gauged in terms of useful service, a proud and happy record. The Industrial Exhibition and Rally organised by her Old Boys is both a token of the affection and loyalty to their Alma Mater and a tribute to her. May the College continue in the future as in the past and may this Diamond Jubilee Carnival rejuvenate her for a further period of well-doing". The Governor General's message and good wishes truly reflect the appreciation of the services rendered by the College.

The patron of the Carnival is His Excellency, Mr. C. Coomaraswamy, a distinguished Old Boy of the College, which has been described by him as a Leading Light in Education. In his message, he refers to the periods of trial and tribulation of the College and states, that

'in spite of the vicissitudes she has passed through, she has grown from strength to strength and is now a leading light in the educational world!'

The Jaffna Hindu College and affiliated schools entered the Free Education Scheme at the earliest possible opportunity, i. e. in October, 1945. Between then and now the Board of Directors of the College has spent over Rs. 400,000 in expanding and developing the different institutions managed by it (the Board). A good portion of the money was contributed by well-wishers but there is yet a debt of about Rs. 10,000. The Carnival was organised to find the much needed funds for completing the Jubilee Block and the Hostel and acquiring lands for enlarging the play ground among other things.

The public response is encouraging. It is to be hoped that the Old Boys and well-wishers of the College will succeed in their venture. May the Jaffna Hindu College grow from strength to strength and by God's grace continue in the future as in the past to render useful service with renewed vigour.

**Jaffna Municipal Council**

**Unsatisfactory Features of Administration in 1950**

The Commissioner of Local Government who at the instance of the Minister for Health and Local Government, held an inquiry into the allegations of maladministration of the Jaffna Municipal Council in 1950 made by certain members of the Municipal Council has reported his findings to the Minister.

The Commissioner considers the following to be the unsatisfactory features of the Jaffna Municipal administration in 1950

- (a) failure to follow the strictly correct procedure in regard to tenders and contracts.
- (b) departure from the provisions of the Ordinance in regard to the Budget and Supplementary Budgets.
- (c) the large number of temporary appointments made rather haphazardly;
- (d) suppression of post of Accountant which is an appointment of vital importance to any Municipality;
- (e) lack of method in the Works, Electricity and Assessment Departments.

The Minister for Local Government has requested the Auditor-General to undertake an early investigation of the alleged irregularities of the Municipal administration in 1950, with particular reference to the matters already brought to his notice.

*Letter to the Editor*

**The Thamil Vila**

Sir,—The Thamil Vila is now on and it has been inaugurated with the hoisting of a flag. This flag contains the following emblems:-Fish, Tiger, Bow and Harp. It is well known that the first three flags represent the Pandiya, Chola, and Chera dynasties of Tamil Kings, but the introduction of the Harp flag seems to indicate that some people in Jaffna are attempting to take the whole of Tamil Ceylon to the Mythological times. Another mistake made by those responsible for the introduction of this flag is that they have overlooked the fact that it is not Jaffna alone but the whole of Tamil Ceylon that is taking part in the Vila.

With regard to the historical aspect of the Harp flag there is not a shred of evidence to show that the Harp flag was at any time used by the Tamils of this Island. The stray reference to a Harp flag in Kalinga-thupparani itself does not indicate that the Harp flag belonged to the people of this island. Even accepting for the sake of argument that it did, it is certain that the Harp flag disappeared from Jaffna after the twelfth Century when the dynasty of kings called the Ariyachakravartis established its sway over the whole of Tamil Ceylon and continued to rule till it went down in 1619 after resisting the Portuguese most valiantly for nearly a century.

It was this dynasty of Tamil kings, notwithstanding its dynastic name, which after about two thousand years of Tamil effort in this Island finally succeeded in making this Island safe for the Tamils and gave them name, fame and prosperity.

It was also this dynasty which colonised Northern and Eastern provinces and the coastal regions of Northwestern and the Western Provinces up to Negombo with large number of Tamil colonists from South India, particularly from Thondaimandalam.

The late Mudlr. Rasanayagam has shown beyond a shadow of doubt with a wealth of historical evidence that the flag of the Kingdom of Jaffna under these kings was the bull flag. The following quotations from ancient records will serve to enlighten those who have been responsible for introducing the Harp flag for which there is no support whatever in Jaffna history,

**1. From "Segarajasegaram"**

"மண்டலக் கருகும் கங்கை யரசியல் விடைபின் வரளி."

**2. From "Kailayamalai"**

"அண்டருகை யிழிந்தாரும் பரிசடைத்தாய்"

**Immense Potentiality Of Solar Energy**

Sir (Dr.) K. S. Krishnan, a world famous Physicist, who presided at the Science section of the Tamil Festival gave an account of the research work done at the Physics Laboratory at New Delhi regarding Solar energy and said that the rays of the sun made to penetrate glass of 3 inch thickness would generate heat at 3500 degrees centigrade which could melt the hardest of substances.

**Scientific Education**

Srimathy E. T. Rajarajeswari, Lecturer at the Lady Willingdon Training College, in the course of her address said that the advantages of Scientific

கொண்ட விடைகாட்டும் கோடியிலும்."

**3. From "Dakshina Kailasa Puranam"**

- (a) 'விடயான் வயமா விளங்கிய கோடியான்'
- (b) 'தென்னிலம் கரபுரித் திண்செழுது மருகும் மின்னி வங்கியவேல் மேவள புயத்து ..... இடப வான்கொடி எழுதிய பெருமான்.'

The Kotagama Tamil inscription found by Mr H. C. P. Bell in the Kegalle District and all the coins of the Jaffna Kings bear the bull emblem I do not want to lengthen this letter by giving further details. What has already been given is I hope enough to convince those responsible for introducing the Harp flag that what they have done is not merely a distortion but suppression of history and an insult to the memory of those who by their sacrifice made it possible for us to celebrate the Tamil Vila in this Island today.

Yours Etc

K. Thuraiatnam

Thondaimanar

**Vidwan Ganesh Iyer Honoured**

Vidwan S. Ganesh Iyer, the foremost Tamil Scholar of Sri Lanka, was presented a Silk shawl on the concluding day of the Tamil Festival, at the distributing of medals and certificates by the Tamil Va'archi Kalagam Madras, in recognition of the valuable contribution made by him to the study of Tamil Language and literature.

knowledge were being realised in daily life and that if anyone blamed science or scientists for mass destruction caused by weapons invented by scientific skill it was improper because man's mind itself has fallen from grace and has acquired the touch of barbarity.

**Child Training**

Speaking on 'Life and Psychology' Mr. K. S. Arulnandby, former Deputy Director of Education, explained how the conscious mind and the unconscious mind worked. Actions, said the lecturer, never emanated from the dictates of reason but resulted from the unconscious mind.

Mr. Arulnandby further showed how treatment of patients could be done with advantage by combining psychological research knowledge with medical studies & how the suppression of feelings always receded only to burst out more vehemently later. In conclusion Mr. Arulnandi said that in the bringing up of children, parents should study the psychology of their children and remove from the minds of the young all traces of suppressed fear and excitement lest that feeling lurked behind to cause physical and mental illness.

**JAFFNA HINDU COLLEGE**  
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Kankasanturai News

### Minister Switches On Current To Jaffna

An oriental ceremony preceded the official switching on of current at the transformer station at the Kankasanturai Cement Factory Power House by Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam on Monday last.

The political significance of the availability of current has been recognised already. The peasant population of Jaffna will be benefitted by this scheme particularly because of the increased difficulty in finding manual labour for irrigation purpose.

#### Jaffna Power House

Officially receiving the current from the Kankasanturai Power House, Mr. C. Ponnambalam, Mayor of Jaffna, said that this scheme was one example of the Government's large-hearted policy and appealed to the people of Jaffna to co-operate with the Government.

Senator S. R. Kanaganayagam suggested that Co-operative Societies to obtain bulk supply of current should be formed.

### The Need For A Complete History Of Tamilagam

Presiding at the History Section of the Tamil Festival Mr. S. Natesan, remarked that even in Indian historical records sufficient mention had not been made of Tamilagam and suggested that a modern History of Bharat should give top-priority to the annals of Tamilagam.

Vidwan T. P. Meenadhisundaram, in the course of his lecture on Tamil Culture wondered how the principle of communism could be used in war-mongering purposes and quoted from Tirukural to show that the principle of communism in its proper significance related to true knowledge and toleration. Referring to the culture of the Tamils, the Vidwan said that it was as ancient as it was broad-based and that the duty of the present and future generations must be to maintain and preserve the great and universally recognised Tamil civilisation in its perfect and pristine glory.

Our Astrological Feature

## WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRI PATY"

FROM 6-5-51 TO 12-5-51

**ARIES** Aswini, Barani, Kartikai 1st part [Medha Rasi]

Financial muddles and worries indicated. No such useful chances of co-operation shown. Don't tax your friends, patience too much. Take care of your health.

**TAURUS** Kartikai 2, 3, 4, Rohini, Mirugasirisha 1, 2 [Idapa Rasi]

You will undoubtedly make some money this week. Personal affairs will have a smooth sailing and you will have domestic harmony.

**GEMINI** Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Punarpusam 1, 2, 3 [Mithuna Rasi]

Some chances for a change of place or short travel. Your friends will help you a good deal. Triumph over competition and fame promised.

**CANCER** Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

You will get some interesting offer before the end of this week. Quick action will help you a good deal. Favours from friends of the opposite sex also promised.

**LEO** Maha, Pooru, Uttira 1, [Singha Rasi]

You may be involved in some troubles this week. Unnecessary scandals and misunderstanding shown. Avoid official troubles and quarrels.

**VIRGO** Uttira 2, 3, 4, Atla, Chittirai 1, 2 [Kanni Rasi]

Beware of financial muddles. The first day of the week must be spent with care. Not favourable for new undertaking but health must be given care for some time.

**LIBRA** Chittirai 3, 4, Swati, Visaka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Socially this may be a disappointing week. Monday Tuesday Wednesday morning must be spent with care. Domestic troubles and quarrels shown.

**SCORPIO** Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

You will triumph over your competitors and win popularity this week. But Wednesday afternoon Thursday and Friday may cause you some annoyance. You may be handicapped by shouldering some other's responsibility.

**SAGITTARIUS** Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1. [Thanu Rasi]

Ill health may upset you a bit. You will find your own friends betraying you. Don't count upon arrangements going through last day of the week.

**CAPRICORNUS** Uttiradam 2, 3, 4, Thiruvonam, Avittam 1, 2. [Makara Rasi]

Your tendency this week will be to fall out with people who advise you. Your subordinate officers may cause you some annoyance; scandals also not ruled out.

**AQUARIUS** Avittam 3, 4, Satayam, Pooraddati 1, 2, 3 [Kumbha Rasi]

A very good week socially. New ventures will bring forth the desired results. Financial gains and ruin to enemies also shown.

**PISCES** Pooraddati 4, Uttiraddati, Revati. [Meena Rasi]

An unsettled week. Personal problems remain unsolved. You will be quick to pick-up quarrels. Health must be given particular care specially eye troubles.

### ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1268

In the matter of the last will and testament of the late S. Vaithilingam of Moolai Jaffna Deceased

Chellammah widow of Sinnathamby Vaithilingam of Moolai Jaffna

Vs. Petitioner.

1 Nadesalingam son of Vaithilingam of Moolai Jaffna, presently of Kuala Lumpur in Malayan Union, 2 Selvalingam son of Vaithilingam of Moolai Jaffna presently of Koslande; Minors 3 Gnanalingam son of Vaithilingam, 4 Vamadevi daughter of Vaithilingam, 5 Sothilingam son of Vaithilingam, 6 Vimaladevi daughter of Vaithilingam, 7 Krishnalingam son of Vaithilingam and, 8 Vijayadevi daughter of Vaithilingam 9 Sinnathamby Krishnaoillai all of Moolai, Jaffna.

The 3rd to 8th respondents are minors appearing by their guardian-ad-litem the 9th respondent Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gunasekara Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on the 30th day of January 1951 in the presence of Mr. S. Cumarasuriar Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated 19th December 1950 and the affidavits of the attesting witnesses of the last will and testament dated 24th January 1951 and 2nd February 1951 having been read.

It is ordered that the 9th respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the 3rd to 8th minor respondents for all the purposes of this action, and that the last will and testament of the abovenamed deceased S. Vaithilingam dated 4th January 1948 be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the Respondents abovenamed or any other person shall on or before the 19th day of April 1951 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

And it is further declared that the said Chellammah widow of S. Vaithilingam, the Petitioner abovenamed is the executrix named in the said last will and testament and that she is entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents abovenamed or others shall on or before the aforesaid date show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 30th day of January 1951

Sgd. S. S. J. Gunasekara District Judge.

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tons of coal by the end of April. Governments come and go... But the people of Britain are greater than any Government. Behind us are centuries of tradition. But we keep the fire of youth. We look to the future not to the past. We win medals still. We mean to go on winning them."

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1251.

In the matter of the Intestate Estate of the late Parunathy daughter of Ponnar Karaitivu North Deceased.

(1) K. Aiyampillai and wife (2) Poonnam of Oddumadam Vanrarponnai Jaffna Vs. Petitioner.

Ponnar Arumagam of Karaitivu North Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gunasekara Esqr. District Judge, Jaffna on November 29, 1950 in the presence of Mr. V. S. Nadarajah, Proctor, on the part of the petitioner, and the affi-

davit of the petitioner dated November 11, 1950 filed of record having been read:

It is ordered that the above named petitioners be declared entitled to have letters of administration over the estate of the abovenamed deceased and the same be issued to them accordingly, unless the respondent or others interested shall on or before February 2, 1951, appear before this Court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

S. S. J. GOONASEKERA, District Judge.

Time to show cause extended for 10 5-51.

Intd. V. S. J. D. J.

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medals to the world. She was to say 'This is my past. And there is quite a lot that I still do supremely well'. Come and look. A good idea. But now she betters it. She collects a few new medals to set beside the old. She tells the world that this great nation, old in wisdom, strong in craftsmanship that only long experience makes, in fact is also young in heart and vigour.

In Korea the gallantry of our soldiers adds new lustre to British arms. Nations thrill to the story of their heroism. In sport Cambridge might have shown themselves better than America's best. This week-end the Oxford man Roger Bannister smashed a 17-year-old record to win the Benjamin Franklin mile at Philadelphia. An old country -- but young men who are the elite of the world's youth, alike in sport and in the sterner tests of war.

'Industry? The Festival is to tell part of today's story, as well as yesterday's. Meanwhile, mark how Britain's miners have met the Prime Minister's call for three million extra



**'A Great Newspaper Is A Great Gentleman'**

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should be given to groups or cliques for obstructing the healthy development of proper party system in the country. This may have mischievous and even disastrous consequences for the future of our country, which it is our duty as journalists to guard against.

**Decorum**

May I also refer to another unfortunate tendency clearly visible in these days. The indecent and even vulgar language frequently indulged in by a certain section of the Press has been the subject of envious consideration at many meetings and conferences of journalists. The language and sentiments published through the medium of these newspapers are easily taken in by ordinary men with the result that they demoralise our people and degrade their sense of decency. It might not be possible to stop this danger by legislation or prosecution. Only organised and enlightened public opinion can prevent this danger and it is the duty of all responsible newspapers to create such public opinion as whole successfully resist this unhealthy tendency.

**Make It A Powerful Weapon**

Newspapers can be powerful instruments for good only if we make use of them in the proper way. Napoleon once said "I fear three newspapers more than a hundred thousand bayonets". The constructive value which great newspapers exercise over the political and cultural life of the people has considerably increased since the time of Napoleon. The growing interest in the news of the day has made the newspaper one of the necessities in the daily life of the average man. Readership of newspaper has immensely increased in recent times. Unfortunately, the scarcity of newsprint is creating an unprecedented situation. The Government should see that "no single newspaper, however small", and here I repeat the words of Lord Kemsley, "shall be permitted to perish through inability to secure its fair share of the limited supplies of newsprint."

Let me refer to another matter of great importance to the profession before I conclude. I refer to the training of journalists. I do not propose to place any new scheme before you for your consideration but I would like to invite your attention to the draft plan for training journalists prepared by the Committee of British Editors and Proprietors which, I have no doubt, many of you have seen, for your careful study and consideration.

Our independence has no doubt brought with it new responsibilities for us to shoulder. But it has also given us new opportunities to

serve our country. Let us, therefore, dedicate ourselves once again to the great cause of defending our freedom, upholding the honour, prestige and integrity of our country and making the lot of the common man a better and happier one than it is today.

**Order Nisi granting Letters of Administration**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1242

In the matter of the Estate of the late Theivaneipillai widow of A. E. Ponniah of Vannarponnai East also of Badulla Deceased. Rajasingham Athithapillai of Kaddudai, Jaffna presently of Galle Petitioner.

- Vs.
- 1 Ponniah Balasubramaniam of Vannarponnai East Jaffna
  - 2 Wijayaledchumy daughter of Ponniah of do.
  - 3 Rajeswary daughter of Ponniah of do
  - 4 Pushpavathy daughter of Ponniah of do
  - 5 Ponniah Nadarajah of do presently of Kurunegala Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gona-sekera Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 30th day of January 1951 in the presence of Mr. V. Sivasubramaniam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the above-mentioned petitioner dated 19th March, 1950 having been read:

It is ordered that the said 5th respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the the minor respondents and that the said Rajasingham Athithapillai, the petitioner is declared entitled to have Letters of Administration as the brother of the deceased and the same issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or others shall on or before the 6th day of March 1951 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 30th day of January 1951 Sgd. W. G. Spencer, District Judge, Jaffna.

Drawn by Jaffna, Sgd. V. Sivasubramaniam, Proctor for Petitioner, 6-3-51

Extended and re-issued for 15th May 1951.

Sgd. W. G. Spencer, District Judge, Jaffna. (O. 9, 4 & 8)

**ORDER NISI**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1275

In the matter of the last will and Testament of the late Somasundaram Saravanamuttu of Puloly West Deceased

Sivakamasundary widow of Saravanamuttu of Puloly West Petitioner

- Vs.
- 1. Saravanamuttu Somasundaram of Puloly West
  - 2. Saravanamuttu Subramaniam of do
  - 3. Rajeswary daughter of Saravanamuttu of do all minors by their guardian-ad-litem the 4th respondent herein below.
  - 4. Sabapathipillai Sangarapillai of Puloly East.
  - 5. Manonmany daughter of Sathasivampillai of Puloly East. Minor by her guardian-ad-litem the 6th respondent

**ORDER NISI**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1284

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Arunasalam Veeravagu of Navaly. Deceased.

Nagarathinam widow of Arunasalam Veeravagu of Navaly Petitioner.

- And
- 1. Subramaniam Ramalingam
  - 2. Ramasamy Nagalingam
  - 3. Thiruchittampalam Sellappah and wife
  - 4. Maniccam,
  - 5. Sellappah Subramaniam all of Araly South
  - 6. Sellappah Sinnadurai of Araly South now in Madras, and
  - 7. Sellappah Velautham of Araly South, Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gona-sekera Esquire District Judge of Jaffna on the 8th day of March 1951 in the presence of Mr. M. K. Subramaniam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 20th day of December 1950 and the affidavit of the attesting Notary dated 31st January 1951 having been read:

It is ordered that the last will and testament of the said A. Veeravagu deceased bearing No. 174 dated 19th April 1944 and attested by M. Mathiaparanam Notary Public the original of which has been produced and deposited in this Court be and the same be declared proved and that probate of the said Last Will and testament be issued to the petitioner as the executrix named in the said Last Will and testament, unless the respondents or persons interested in the estate shall appear before this Court on or before the 24th day of May 1951 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 8th day of March 1951. Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama, District Judge. (O. 8, 1 & 4.

herein below  
6. Ganapathipillai Sathasivampillai of Puloly East  
7 and wife Sundaramma of do Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gona-sekera Esquire District Judge of Jaffna on the 14th day of March 1951 in the presence of Mr. S. Rasaratnam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and on reading the petition and affidavit of the petitioner along with the affidavit of the Notary and witness who attested the last will of the deceased.

It is ordered and decreed that the last will of Somasundaram Saravanamuttu deceased dated the 30th day of October 1950 and now deposited in this Court be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the respondents shall on or before the 18th day of May 1951 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said petitioner is the Executrix named in the said last will and that she is entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly.

This 14th day of March 1951 Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama District Judge

Drawn by Sgd. S. Rasaratnam Proctor for Petitioner (O. 12 4 & 8)

**ORDER NISI**

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1279

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Selvaret-nam Thuraiatnam of Vaddukodai West, Jaffna Deceased

Mariammba widow of S. Thuraiatnam of Vannarponnai East Jaffna Vs Petitioner

- Minor 1. Thuraiatnam Alexander Isudason  
2. John of Arc Joharance daughter of Thuraiatnam  
3. Selvadurai Sanmugaretnam all of No. 65 Kasturiar Road Vannarponnai East Jaffna Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Gona-sekera Esq District Judge Jaffna on the 22nd day of February 1951 in the presence of Mr. K. V. Navaretnam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 22nd February 1951 having been read:

It is ordered that the above-named 3rd respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors the 1st and 2nd respondents and that the petitioner as the legal widow of the deceased is entitled to have letters of administration over the estate of the deceased and the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others shall on or before the 5th day of June 1951 appear before this court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the petitioner do produce the said

**ORDER NISI**

In the District Court of Jaffna

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1294

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Savarimuttu Theopillai of Jaffna Town deceased

Agnes alias Rasamany widow Theopillai of Jaffna Town. Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Sinnathambay Thambinuttu
- 2 Harriet widow of Eliapillai
- 3 Sinnadurai and wife
- 4 Nallathmah
- 5 Sinniah and wife
- 6 Ethin all of Jaffna Town

This matter coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrema Esquire District Judge Jaffna on the 30th day of March 1951 in the presence of Mr. J. Patric Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 30th March 1951 having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner as the legal widow of the the deceased is declared entitled to have letters of administration and the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 30th day May 1951 appear before this court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 30th day of March 1951 Sgd. V. S. JAYAWICKREMA District Judge (O. 11 4 & 8)

minors in court on the said date This 22nd day of February 1951 Wm G. Spencer, District Judge. (O. 10. 4 & 8)

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