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MYSTERIES AROUND SOVIET GERMAN BORDER

Shots First, Questions Later

I've stepped beyond the Iron Curtain on territory forbidden to Americans and other visitors from the West. I am guilty of unlawful entry into the "German Democratic Republic", better known as the Russian Zone of Germany.

"My private invasion of the Soviet orbit occurred at a point about 45 miles due south of Brunswick, in the southern corner of the British Zone. Here, in the wild and romantic Harz Mountains, the blind and tortuous course of the zonal boundary offers ideal opportunities for smuggling and illegal crossings.

Mile after mile the line twists and curves, between tall pine forests and through thick underbrush. It would

AWAY FROM PERFECTION

'But man, proud man,
 There is a little brief
 authority,
 Most ignorant of what
 he's most assur'd,—
 His glassy essence,—
 like an angry ape,
 Plays such fantastic
 tricks before high
 heaven
 As make the angels
 weep'
 —Shakespeare

take every Russian soldier on German soil, and many more than the Western allies now have in that country, to guard the line in such a manner that no trespasser could get through.

Actually no effort is made on either side to provide such a fool-proof screen. Only at a few official check points, such as Helmstedt on the superhighway to Berlin is the frontier control strict and effective. Between these crossings, spaced far apart, hundreds of people and thousands of tons of merchandise move daily across the "green border," unchecked and generally unmolested.

This illegal traffic is not, however, a healthful occupation. The person who engages in it takes his life into his hands. The "Vopos"—Volk-

spolizisten or people's police—on the Russian side are a tough lot. They have instructions to shoot first and ask questions later. Quite a few East Germans have already paid with their lives for the attempt to escape into the Western zones. I was told of a couple who recently were found dead near the demarcation line, their bodies huddled close together, the same bullet, from a Vopo's rifle, had pierced both their skulls.

People Disappear Without Trace

An added risk for the interzonal traveller who prefers the "green border" to the authorized check point are the many tramps and exconvicts who roam this area. Few regions in Germany have a higher incidence of assault, robbery and capital crime. Many of the "guides" who offer to pilot you through the danger zone have turned out to be criminals in disguise. While the situation has improved somewhat in recent

years, there is still no telling how many people disappear without trace in the dark woods around Helmstedt and in the Harz Mountains.

When I first approached the Soviet Zone border, I was quite unaware of it. I was driving leisurely along the road from Brauntage to Hobegeiss, when I heard somebody yelling "Russky, Russky!" I slammed on the brakes and got out. Ahead, the driver of a truck which had just passed me was waving an excited hand toward the dark pine forests.

I saw no Russians, but came upon a small sign affixed to a tree on the left side of the road; "Attention! Soviet Zone." Then I noticed a line of yellow painted poles which at this point emerged from the woodland to skirt the highway for a considerable distance.

After another mile or so, the first propaganda sign came into view. It was a large blue placard with white lettering standing on a mea-

Vadamaradchy Co-op Union

The fifth Annual General Meeting of the Vadamaradchy Co-operative Stores Union Ltd., was held on Sunday the 4th inst. at the Puloly Boys English School presided over by Mr. R. Shivapathasundram, Advocate.

The annual turn over according to the Annual Report was about Rupees 2,595,107-18 and the profit was about Rs. 26,658-95.

At the election of office bearers Mr. R. Shivapathasundram Advocate was re-elected President and Messrs. P. Kanapathipillai Proctor and A. N. Velantham Proctor were elected Vice-Presidents. A Committee too was appointed.

About 60 Co-operative retail Stores with about 53000 consumers are served by this Union through its branch depots at Point Pedro, Nelliady and Valvettiturai.

dow, just beyond the border poles. I gathered that it had been set up in connection with a recent peace referendum, for the sign read: "Vote 'Yes' for Peace!" Another placard, a hundred yards down the road, called on the West Germans to "Stop the Remilitarization!"

West German Contrast

I drove on, a little uncertainly. After a while, I was stopped by a West German border patrol. They examined my papers then let me pass without difficulty. I asked one of the men whether it was safe to proceed. "It depends, he said. "As long as you stick on the road, you're reasonably safe. I can't guarantee that somebody won't snipe at you from the woods, but there is little risk of open assault, as you are on the territory of the Federal Republic. I wouldn't set foot beyond, though, if I were you."

"That's right," another chimed in. "You take one step in the wrong direction, and you'll be in trouble. You never can tell where there is a Russky or a Vopo hiding in the bushes. Why, only the other day a man was arrested by them right near this spot. The poor devil had been cutting a little grass for his rabbits from the road bank. He was charged with stealing state property." — *Worldover Press*,

ESSENTIALITY OF THE CRITICAL SENSE

Helps Democratic Machinery Move Well

THE critical faculty is the most potent one in the human make-up. Its pervasiveness and force have not properly been recognised because, like breathing, it is so much a part and parcel of human activity. The difference between a simpleton and an intelligent man, according to the man who is convinced that he is of the latter category, is that the former wholeheartedly accepts all things that he sees and hears while the latter never admits anything except after a most searching scrutiny. He imagines his intelligence to be a slave of closely-woven mesh through which nothing but the finest can pass. The critical sense is essential for keeping social transactions in a warm state. Otherwise life would become very dull and goody-goody.

The critical faculty is responsible for a lot of give and take in life. It increases our awareness of our surroundings it sounds dignified no doubt

[R. K. NARAYAN
in the Madras Hindu.]

press. I sometimes flatter myself with the thought that perhaps it was my critical sense that helped the young man turn his energies to a vocation that suited him best. However, it is an isolated instance and not likely to occur again. No one ever accepts criticism so cheerfully. Neither the man who utters it nor the one who invites it really means it.

Vain-Gloriousness

Any artistic effort has a lot of egobehindit and can never admit criticism. The only two categories that a writer or a musician recognises are those that admire and those that do not have the wits to understand. It takes several years of hardening experience for a writer to become really indifferent to what others say about his work, but at the beginning of his career every writer watches

PATH TO PERFECTION

'Among thousands of men, one, here and there, strives for perfection; and of those who strive and succeed, one perchance, knows Me in truth'.
 —Gita

for reviews of his book with a palpitating heart. If the review is all praise then the author feels that the reviewer is a clever fellow full of subtle understanding, but if it is adverse he cries, "These fellows lack elementary intelligence and discrimination! I don't know why some papers give the reviewing work to their office-boys."

Undisguised Adoration

There is a vanity in all those who sing or write which makes it impossible for them to accept criticism. It is understandable. What I am not able to understand is the undisguised adoration of others devoted to the budding writer or the musician. Parents are utterly blind in this respect. A hopeless and complete de-

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13 '51,

Treasure These Thoughts

Real inspiration never contradicts reason but fulfils it.

ELECTRICITY FOR RURAL AREAS

WHEN the Minister of Industries, Industrial Research and Fisheries made electricity available at the Kankasanturai Factory he did actually beat the clock. The Jaffna Municipal Council also lost no ground in availing itself of electricity from the Kankasanturai Power Station. But it is regrettable to note that the rural areas which have been fondly entertaining hopes of the availability of electric power for agricultural purposes have been sadly disappointed. On enquiry we are informed that though electricity is there in ample supply the question of who should assume responsibility for the distribution of electric current has not been satisfactorily solved. The local bodies are the proper authorities to shoulder this responsibility but the problem of finance is one that confronts Town Councils and Village Committees with a difficulty so much so that these local bodies are unable to discharge their normal duties with self confidence.

The Central Government is expected to supplement the finances of the local bodies by allowing grants for specific purposes. Electric supply for the rural areas being a matter of vital importance it was expected that the Central Government would release enough funds by way of grants to Town Councils and Village Committees. But it is learnt that the Central Government is prepared to sanction grants only to those local bodies that have a satisfactory revenue. The professions of generosity of the Central Government have been proved to be hollow by a system of roughly rolled red tape to the disgust of the large number of local bodies and the agricultural population of Sri Lanka. To add to this misfortune the Peninsula had been experiencing a long drawn out drought. It is inex-

FRIGHTFUL WASTE OF THE 'COLD WAR'

Churchill Wants Revival Of Human Comradeship

Saying that "our great hope in foreign affairs is to bring about an abatement of the cold war by negotiation at the highest level through strength and not through weakness," Mr. Churchill speaking on the Address of Thanks to the King for the King's speech made in opening the British Parliament went on to read an extract from a letter he addressed to M. Stalin in 1945 in which he said:

"There is not much comfort in looking into the future where you and the countries you dominate, plus Communist Parties in many other States, are all drawn up on one side and those who rally to English-speaking nations and their associates from the Dominions are on the other. It is quite obvious that their

came to pass."

"In February 1950 I appealed for a conference between the heads of Governments. I and the Foreign Secretary, who have acted in the closest, spontaneous concord in all these matters, still hold to the idea of a supreme effort to bridge the gulf between the two worlds so that each can live their life, if not in friendship at least without the fears, hatreds and frightful waste of the cold war."

Bridging East-West Gulf

He added, however, a word of caution—the realities confronting them were numerous, adverse and stubborn. They must be careful not to swing on a wave of emotion from despondency to cover-

Symbol Of Statesmanship



We Wish Him Many More Birthdays

quarrelling would tear the world to pieces and all of us leading men on either side who had anything to do with that would be shamed before history. Even embarking on a long period of suspicion, abuse and counter-abuse would be disastrous and would hamper great developments to world prosperity for the masses which are changeable only by our trinity."

The Prime Minister proceeded: "All those things

pliable that with enough of electric power available the rural areas of the Peninsula are unable to make use of it advantageously. We hope the Government will sanction grants unconditionally to all local bodies to enable them make arrangements for the supply of electricity to the rural population.

confidence. Even if the differences between West and East were for the time being intractable, the creation of a new atmosphere and climate of thought should revive a sense of human comradeship and would be an enormous gain.

Concluding, Mr. Churchill said: "Never must we admit that a third world war is inevitable. I heard some months ago of a foreign diplomat who was asked: 'In which year do you think the danger of war will be greatest?' He replied: 'Last year'.

"If that should prove true, and we pray it may, no one will deny their salute to the memory of Mr. Ernest Bevin or their compliments to those who worked faithfully with him. Let us then, in these supreme issues with party politics for beneath them, move forward together in our united right as faithful servants of our common country and the unwearying guardians of peace".

POTENTIALITIES OF YOUTH

RESERVOIR OF POWER FOR SOCIAL SERVICE

"But Nationalism is obviously not enough and, in this age of world interdependence when geographical and psychological frontiers no longer have their traditional meanings, nationalism becomes obsession and concept of national sovereignty is pressed to an illogical extreme, it may well become danger to world peace, said Mr. K. G. Saiyidain in his Presidential address at the United Nations Youth Welfare Seminar at Simla.

"One of our basic problems, therefore, is", added Mr. Saiyidain, "to try and re-capture the loyalty of the youth for a fuller and worthier ideal which would challenge their imagination and win over their whole-hearted devotion, dispelling the sense of frustration and disillusionment which was cheating them both of the joy of life and of the inspiration of a high purpose."

The Ideal

Continuing he said: "It is essential that the ideals and purposes that we venture to present before the youth should be in harmony with its philosophy and needs so that they become youths' own ideals and purposes and not an infliction from outside. We would also do well to remember that youth is often extremist in its reaction. Hence the curious phenomenon that youth is sometimes impelled to high endeavour and sacrifice without counting the cost and sometimes refused to see beyond its nose and cares for nothing except securing a job leading to an easy life is possible and paying any price for that petty ambition. In drawing your attention to this well-known fact my purpose is to underline the idea that we cannot hope to give the right lead to youth out of the present impasse unless our ideal is compelling enough and attractive enough to draw out all that is good and great and worthy in it."

The Central Problem

He said: "If we are anxious to win the co-operation of the youth in the rebuilding of a better world we must reconcile ourselves to the fact that youth is essentially dynamic, essentially idealistic, essentially forward looking. Our central problem is to ensure that all these high potentialities of youth are wedded to worthy and constructive purpose which will on the one hand enrich its own present life with significance and on the other use it as a great reservoir of power for social service in the widest sense of the word."

Rights and Privileges

"We should not by any means regard youth as only

an agency for social service but should consider its own rights and privileges. Most of them lead dull, drab and uninteresting lives. There is little opportunity for them to feel that their life is worth while, that it can give them either the pleasures of congenial companionship or the joy of co-operative endeavour, that they are playing a useful or vital role in community life, and that they can look forward to a future which is not bleak but full of promise. The main objective of the various ways that we may recommend or adopt for youth welfare should be to to re-instate firmly the conviction that life is really worth living. Concluding, He said: "Let us try and create the condition in which youth will have an out-let to this supreme joy".

Killed by Electric Shock

It is learnt that one Thambiah Muttucomaraswamy of Nunavil was electrocuted while attempting to charge his car battery with electricity by tapping current from the electric main in the residence of his wife at Kallaya Pillaiyar Kovilady Nallur.

Letter to the Editor

Sino-Lanka Relationship

Sir,—Closer relationship between Ceylon and China in many spheres of activity appears desirable and imperative. Old cultural historical and religious ties and the present international situation both require such a consummation. Exchange of goodwill missions and if possible the reciprocal establishment of diplomatic agencies between the two countries are likely to be greatly helpful. It would also be in accord with the declared policy of the Ceylon Government in Foreign Affairs which has been summed up by the official spokesman as the pursuit of the Middle Way. Such a course would be merely translation into action of the expressed intentions of the Government and would at the same time give effect to the people's wishes.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
 Testamentary Jurisdiction
 No. 1373

In the matter of the estate of the late Kathiresu Namasivayam of Vaddukodai East, Jaffna, who died at Sungei Bakap, Malaya Deceased. Sangarapillai Nadarajapillai of Vaddukodai East

- Vs. Petitioner
- 1 Valliammai widow of Kathiresu Namasivayam of do
 - 2 Sivakolunthu Thedchauer moorthy
 - 3 and wife Mahaledchumy of Channakani
 - 4 Sabapathy Kathiresu of Vaddukodai East

of the abovenamed petitioner coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrama Esqr, District Judge, Jaffna on the 5th day of October 1951 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam, Proctor for petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the said petitioner having been read; it is ordered that letters of administration of the estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the petitioner unless the said respondents or any person interested shall appear before this court on the 26th day of November 1951 and show cause to the satisfaction of the court to the contrary.

This 5th day of October 1951,
 Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama
 District Judge,
 (O. 104, 13 & 16)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
 No. 1359

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Vaithilingam Thambiah of Chulipuram late of Ipoh in Malaya Deceased. Nagammah widow of Vaithilingam Thambiah of Chulipuram

Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Thambiah Vaithilingam of Chulipuram presently of Malaya
- 2 Sinnathurai Sivasanmugam of do and wife
- 3 Rajamany of Chulipuram
- 4 Thambiah Sivalingam of do
- 5 Thambiah Nagalingam of do
- 6 Rajeswary daughter of Thambiah of do
- 7 Sivaswary daughter of Thambiah of do. The 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th respondents are minors appearing by their G. A. L. the 8th Respondent
- 8 Sithamparapillai Kanapathipillai of do Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrama Esqr, District Judge Jaffna on the 13th day of September 1951 in the presence of Mr. T. Sangarapillai Proctor for petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read.

It is ordered that the abovenamed 8th respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minors 4, 5, 6 and 7 Respondents for the purpose of representing them in this proceedings and Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be granted to the petitioner as his lawful widow, unless the respondents or any other person interested in the above estate shall appear before this Court on the 26th day of November 1951 and show sufficient cause to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the petitioner do produce the said minors in Court on 26-11-51.

The 13th day of Sept. 1951

Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama
 District Judge.

Drawn by
 Sgd. T. Sangarapillai,
 Proctor for Petitioner.

O. 102, 13 & 16.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
 No. 1367

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Venasithamby Kanapathippillai of Vaddukodai West.

Deceased. Thaiyalimuthu widow of Venasithamby Kanapathippillai of Vaddukodai West.

Vs. Petitioner

1. Rukkumani Devi (alias Aiyam) daughter of Kanapathippillai
2. Sivaledchumy Ammah (alias Thiraviam) daughter of Kanapathippillai and
3. Sockalingam Venasithamby all of Vaddukodai West.

This matter coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrama Esquire District Judge, Jaffna on the 25th day of September 1951 in the presence of Mr. N. Ehamparam Proctor for the petitioner and the affidavit

Essentiality of the Critical Sense

(Continued from page 1)

votion to their offspring's literary or artistic effort seems to be one of the marks of true parenthood. If a definition of a classic were invited I am sure many would have no hesitation in saying, "A classic is something written by my son. I never suspected that boy had such talent in him." Or "My daughter sings divinely, my daughter dances divinely. I don't know where she has picked up all this genius for I have not had much time to devote to her training", says many a parent openly. There is no harm in it as long as they do not compel others to share their views.

Measuring The Other Man

I have discovered that a lot of interest that people show in each other's affairs comes just out of a desire to exercise their critical faculties and to measure how far below one's own the other's achievement is. It is only an achiever who can properly deprecate another engineer's handiwork. I have noticed that anyone who has recently built a house shows an undue zeal in inspecting every new house that he can possibly reach. It gives him a lot of pleasure to be able to say, "Oh, lord! How that contractor has cheated that poor man! What a lot of space they have wasted, and what hideous pillars on the verandah! I wish he had seen my house before starting on his own!"

The democratic machinery is kept going through the exercise of the critical faculty. If someone should ask, "How should an Opposition function?" the best answer would be, "In the manner of a traditional mother-in-law who watches the performance of household work by a daughter-in-law and follows her about with her comments." It is a perfectly legitimate position and nothing to feel sad about since the daughter-in-law has every chance of developing into an Opposition some day, when she can restore Nature's balance by exercising her own critical powers.

of the petitioner having been read:-

It is ordered that the 3rd Respondent be appointed Guardian-ad litem over the minors 1st and 2nd Respondents for the purpose of protecting their interests and of representing them in these Testamentary Proceedings and Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased, be granted to the Petitioner as his lawful widow unless the Respondents or any other persons appear before this Court on the 26th day of November 1951 and state objections to the contrary.

The 25th day of September 1951.

Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama,
 District Judge.

Drawn by
 Sgd. N. Ehamparam,
 Proctor for Petitioner.
 (O. 106, 13 & 16.)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
 No. 1374

In the matter of the estate of the late Chellammah wife of Visuvalingam Thambiah of Vaddukodai West, Jaffna Deceased.

Visuvalingam Thambiah of Vaddukodai West

Vs. Petitioner

- 1 Thambiah Kulasingam of do
- 2 Thambiah Tharmabala of do
- 3 Thambiah Jeevaratnam of do
- 4 Thambiah Kamaladevi of do
- 5 Thambiah Vimaladevi of do
- 6 Vinasithamby Veluppillai Respondents.

This matter of the petition of the abovenamed petitioner coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrama, Esqr, District Judge, Jaffna on the 12th day of October 1951 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam Proctor for petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read; it is ordered that the abovenamed 6th respondent be appointed guardian-ad litem over the minors 1-5 respondents and that letters of administration of the estate of the said deceased be issued to the petitioner unless the said respondents or any persons interested shall appear before this court on the 26th day of November 1951 and show cause to the satisfaction of the court to the contrary.

This 12th day of October 1951
 Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama,
 District Judge.
 (O. 105, 13 & 16)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
 No. 1324

In the matter of the estate of the late Chellammah widow of Sithamparanathar Arunachalam of Vaddukodai West. Deceased.

Arunachalam Aiyamuttu of Vaddukodai West.

Vs. Petitioner.

1. Sinnathamby Ganeshapillai
2. and wife Parameshvary of do, presently of No. 38 Wall Street, Kuantan in Malaya
3. Sivaguru Rajaladchumy of do
4. Sivaguru Thanaladchumy of do
5. Sivaguru Kubendran of do
6. Sivapakkiam widow of Arunachalam Sivaguru of do. Respondents.

This matter of the petition of the abovenamed petitioner coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickrama, Esquire District Judge, Jaffna on the 4th day of June 1951 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam, Proctor for petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the said petitioner having been read; it is ordered that the 6th respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minors 3-5 respondents and that the petitioner be declared entitled to have letters of administration of the estate of the said deceased unless the said respondents shall appear before this court on the 23rd day of November 1951 and show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 4th day of June 1951.
 Sgd. V. S. Jayawickrama,
 District Judge,
 (O. 103, 13 & 16.)

Manipay Saraswathy Memorial Library

Lord Soulbury Declares It Open

[Speech delivered by His Excellency the Governor-General at the Opening of the Library at Manipay, 7th November 1951 at 4-30 p. m.]

"It gives me great pleasure to be present with you today, and I am much obliged to the Chairman of the Town Council for asking me to declare open the Saraswathy Memorial Library.

University Of The Poor

It is not necessary for me to emphasize how useful an institution like this can and will be to the community. Books have always been of immense importance to civilized people. No doubt the ideal is that we should all of us possess our own collection of books, which we can take down from our shelves and read and re-read and study and enjoy whenever we like. But books cost money, and few people can afford to possess a great many. So Libraries have long been recognized as the Universities of poor men and have been a godsend to them in the process of education. The great historian, Gibbon, once said that every person had two educations, one which he received from others and one, the more important, which he gave to himself. Public Libraries provide one of the best means of self-education and they enabled another great Englishman to say that with only the income of a peasant he gave to himself the education of a Prince.

More Reading Matter Needed

For that purpose, adequate supplies of reading matter are an urgent necessity and all the more urgent in Ceylon, where the standard of literacy is comparatively high and the demand for books is likely to increase.

Manipay, today, should be proud to possess a civic facility which few other places of its size can boast of, and the citizens of Manipay should be very grateful to their benefactor, Muhammadram Swaminathan, whose magnanimity and generosity have enabled this institu-

Science Reconciled With Ethics

(A continuation of K. S. Ramaswamy Sastri's Article in our last issue)

There may be stray passages here and there in the Hindu scriptures saying that the soul goes once for all to Yama or that the elements of the body go to the elements or that the survival of a person is the survival in the offspring. But the final and definite shape assumed by Hindu thought is that stated above, viz: a combination of physical ancestry and Karmic ancestry and of the evolution of Matter from Spirit and of the goal of life being Realisation of the Infinite Eternal Supreme Brahman as Pure Spirit and as Akhanda Satchidananda.

Though it is true that in the Rig-Veda we have not got the idea of Metempsychosis or Transmigration in the form in which it is now current in Hinduism and though the reference in it is generally to the soul's going to the abode of Yama, yet we have enough indications of the idea in the Rig-Veda X-16-3 the Atma is directed to go to heaven or to earth or to the waters or to the plants as per Dharma, while the eye is ordered to go to the Sun:

In Rig Veda I-164-38 there is a reference to the immortal entity (*amartya*) and the mortal entity (*martya*) moving in contrary directions while in Rig Veda II-164-30 & 31 the poet says that he saw the soul moving forward and backward and returning often to the terrestrial regions (*parevartibhavaneshu - antah*). The Katha - Upanishad affirms transmigration expressly:

The Brihadaranyaka Upanishad gives a minute description of the soul's departure from the body along with Vidya and Karma and Poervaprajna and its going to heaven or hell or back to the earth. The Chandogya Upanishad describes the *danvyana* and the *pitri-nyana*.

Thus Vedanta is in harmony with Science and yet goes beyond it and reconciles Science with Ethics and Metaphysics.

— From *His Vision*.

tion to be equipped and built.

I have great pleasure in declaring the Saraswathy Memorial Library open and I wish it well in its great mission."

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1366

In the matter of the estate of the late Nagamuttu Chellathurai of Vannarponnai west. Deceased.

Vallipuram Nagamuttu of Pathirakalivilady lane, Vannarponnai west. Petitioner.

Vs.

Ponnamma wife of V. Nagamuttu of do. Respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickirama Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 24th day

of September 1951 in the presence of Mr. C. C. Somasegaram Proctor on the part of the petitioner and on reading the affidavit and petition of the petitioner.

It is ordered that Letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the petitioner as the father of the said deceased, unless the the abovenamed respondents appear before this court on the 26th day of November 1951 and shows sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 24th day of September 1951. Sgd. V S Jayawickirama District Judge.

Drawn by Sgd C. C. Somasegaram Proctor for Petitioner. O, 101. 13 & 16).

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1362

In the matter of the estate of the late Sinnappu Rasiyah of Vannarponnai West

Deceased Tilakavathiamma widow of Sinnappu Rasiyah of Anai-coddai Petitioner

Vs

1. Nagaledchumy daughter of Sinnappu Rasiyah of do
2. Sivaledchumy daughter of Sinnappu Rasiyah of do
3. Seenivasagam Kanagasabai of do and presently teacher Royal College, 154, Galle Road Mt. Lavinia

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before V. S. Jayawickirama Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 18th day of September 1951 in the presence of Mr. C. C. Somasegaram Proctor on the part of the petitioner and on reading the affidavit and petition of the petitioner.

It is ordered that the abovenamed 3rd respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minors the abovenamed 1st and 2nd respondents and that Letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the petitioner as the lawful widow of the abovenamed deceased, unless the respondents appear before this court on or before the 19th day of November 1951 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 18 day of September 1951 Sgd. V. S. Jayawickirama District Judge.

Drawn by Sgd. C. C. Somasegaram Proctor for Petitioner. (O. 100. 13 & 16).

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