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THE THRONE SPEECH DEBATE Resolving The Present Crisis

From the point of view of the Tamil minority and all lovers of democracy there could be no more depressing sight than the debate on the Throne Speech. The debate centred on the language issue and the economic, foreign affairs and administrative aspects were mere side-shows. Even the debate on the language issue did not possess the urgency and the seriousness which it enjoyed last June, but for the vehement opposition of the Federalists. Last year the Sinhala Only Act had just been introduced and all Opposition Members, Representatives of the Tamils, Muslims and the Leftists turned a concentrated fire on the Sinhala Bill. Since then the Act has been in operation for fifteen months and has been implemented by Mr. Bandaranaike's Cabinet with all expedition and ruthlessness in spite of a little show of consideration for Tamil members in the Services. The debate this June assumed, therefore, a large element of unreality born of a sense that all opposition is unavailing to remove its objectionable features from the minority point of view. Almost the entire burden of the opposition to the Bill fell on the Federalist Members, although three or four Sama Samajists unsparingly attacked the Sinhala Act and attitude of the Government. Reasons of self-aggrandisement had induced the Muslim Representatives to fall away from the Tamil cause. The tacking on of other issues like Indian franchise, Federalism and colonisation to the Language issue had taken the edge a bit off the Language issue though those who appreciate the Federalist point of view cannot blame the party. The demand for Federalism has stiffened Sinhalese opposition, as was to be expected, and alienated the sympathies of the Leftist Parties. But Sinhalese opposition to parity of status for Tamil could not have been any the

less vehement or adamant even without the espousal of Federalism by the Federalist party.

Mr. Bandaranaike acted the indignant nationalist leader who tries hard to

By

N. SANGARAPILLAI, B. A. (Lond.)

hold the scales even between the majority and minority communities. He made an earnest appeal for the acceptance of his Four Point Scheme as the most reasonable plan possible. But his specious arguments and camouflaged attempt to conceal the Sinhalese policy of domination under a show of justice could not deceive anybody, because the main responsibility for the communal tension and the insults and injustice inflicted on the minorities rests on his weak-kneed political expediency and helpless dependence on the Bikkhus and other communal die-hards. Even then a few apologists for the Four Point Scheme as the only practical via media have come forward both inside and outside the House offering it as a sugar-coated palliative to Tamil opposition. Even moderate opinion among the Tamils is not disposed to accept the Four Point Scheme as it in no way removes the injustice and insult sought to be perpetrated on the Tamil race. Mr. Philip Gunawardene, the Food Minister showed a knavish effrontery and brutal frankness in his defence of the Sinhala Act and a callous indifference to Tamil susceptibilities. Sinhala he said had only succeeded to the place of English although British Imperialism had passed on its authority to the Sinhalese race only and not to the whole nation. He also denied that any harm was intended to the Tamil language or race, as though here could be any injury to a community as great as the harsh restriction of

opportunities placed on its language.

We are not surprised that the Communist Party has decided to support the M. E. P. Government for its progressive policy. For the Communist mind is always in blinkers and has been known to support any height of tyranny and oppression for ideological reasons. It has taken quite contradictory positions as the exigencies of Russian or any other Communist power veered. In a Bikkhu dominated country the Communist members perhaps fear that the same fate may threaten them at the next election as threatens the Sama Samajists. It is patent to all students of public affairs that the M. E. P. under a thin veneer of socialism and friendliness to Communist powers covers the most blatant communalism and racial discrimination and reactionary contempt for democratic principles. Now it has dawned upon the Communists that the M. E. P. Government is a progressive government which deserved their support. Nothing better can be expected from a party which has supported the Russian oppression and inhumanity in Hungary and the suppression of democratic freedom in Russia.

Meanwhile apologists for the Prime Minister's Four Point Scheme are reported to have come forward. A deputation of Church dignitaries and two educationists waited on the Premier and urged the adoption of two principles as a means of removing the just grievances of the Tamil community and allaying their mistrust and misunderstanding. Official recognition should be given to Tamil and there should be no discrimination on the ground of race or Language. As a preliminary step towards giving full justice to Tamil when the atmosphere has cooled down they urge speedy legislation to guarantee the Four

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Rigid Stands Must Be Relaxed

By

S. Kumarakulasingham B A.

I wish to draw the attention of all sober elements in the country to the excellent article on the language problem by Dr. G. C. Mendis in the Sunday Observer of 23-6-57. I agree with Dr. Mendis when he says that one of the main reasons behind the Sinhalese Only Act was the feelings of Sinhalese - Educated - Sinhalese against the Trousered - English - Educated Sinhalese. The learned Doctor is also correct when he says that no such feeling manifested itself among the Tamil population. His article shows clearly that the language problem is more the product of emotion than reason. Emotional disturbances are never permanent and hence it would not be wrong to say that if both sides quieten down for the time being matters could be solved satisfactorily in a calmer atmosphere through peaceful discussions. The M. E. P. should suspend immediately the operation of the Sinhalese Only Act while the Federalists should call off all demonstrations like the proposed Satyagraha. In other words the rank and file in the country should be given time and opportunity to think for themselves where they stand. As it is, any occasion for speech making is turned into an opportunity for unfair and rather ungentlemanly verbal attacks on the leaders of one group by the leaders of other groups. Further I appeal to the leaders of the Federal party to isolate the language issue from the cry for a Federal Constitution. This would help to establish unity at the top for the language demands of the Tamils and at the same time would make the Sinhalese more sympathetic to the just demands of the Tamils than they are at

the moment. I don't feel that Federalism is the only way out. The present constitution is flexible enough to solve a problem like the language question.

Re-suggestions for Round Table Conferences I feel they won't serve much useful purpose unless both sides relax their rigid stands before they meet itself. For what the Sinhalese want is pride of place for Sinhalese while the Tamil demand is for Parity of Status for Tamil. The Federalists are quite right in pointing out that the Tamils would not accept concessions like the so called Reasonable Use of Tamil which are based on the Sinhalese Only Act. At the same time Mr. Bandaranaike has made his stand clear in stating emphatically that he would be prepared to allow only a limited use of Tamil. Both sides seem to forget one important fact—that in so far as literacy (even in Swabasha) in Ceylon is low even the Sinhalese will not gain as much through the Sinhalese Only Act as it is claimed. Further if a Round Table Conference is to be held are the participants to be selected on a racial basis or on a party basis? If it is the former how are the Muslims and the Indian Tamils to be represented. If it is the latter are persons of the calibre of Messrs Suntharalingam and Sir Kanthiah Vaithianathan to be included or left out? Again what is to be the scope of such a conference? Should it confine itself to language only or should it deal with all problems connected with the minorities in Ceylon? Such preliminaries must be settled before the conference is held. Otherwise the conference would be wasting precious time and efforts on relatively minor

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Treasure These Thoughts

Let there be no hostility among you. May your heart and mind be of one accord. May every one of you follow one another like the milch cow and her calf.

A LAUDABLE STEP

TAKING THE HINT FROM the expression of willingness of the leaders of the Federal Party for negotiations, the Premier has initiated talks with the former. Mr. Bandaranaike deserves to be praised for this laudable decision. The joint *Communique* that was issued by the Premier and the Leaders of the Federal Party after their talks on Wednesday last inspires hope for the continuation of further discussions with fruitful conclusions. It is true that no details, not even the broad outlines, of the main discussions were referred to at the first Conference which merely confined itself to the expression of mutual good will and desire for early settlement of the present political situation.

The ray of hope that has brightened the political horizon must be made enduring. The responsibility for this difficult task rests with the leaders of all parties and the Government. Whispering tongues can poison truth and prevent the continuance of the Premier's Talks. The rambling utterances of political leaders will add to the mischief. Hence the need for maintaining complete silence on controversial issues by political parties on the platform and in the press.

The *Manchester Guardian* commenting on the usefulness of negotiations, however adds "Courage will be needed by the leaders on both sides for, they have fanatics behind them who will oppose any compromise. But, if the power of the fanatics is

RELIGIOUS ORGANISATIONS REQUIRE STRENGTHENING

Preservation Of Hinduism And Tamil . A Sacred Duty

Presidential speech delivered by Mr. S. Sivasubramaniam Proctor, the well-known religious and social worker, who was unanimously elected President of the Colombo Vivekananda Society at its 54th Annual General Meeting.

Lord Shiva's Grace has enabled the Vivekananda Society to carry on its work for the last 54 years and for this Annual General Meeting to take place. Consciousness of this Divine intervention is a necessary condition for the future progress of the Society. Similarly grateful recollection of the memory of the patriot saint of India after whose name this Society has been founded and similar remembrance of the teachings of all Hindu Saints are also things which would inspire the members of this Society and the general public to continue their labours for the service of God, religion and country. A third necessary factor to enable the present members of the Society to render fruitful service is a grateful recognition of the original contribution made by the founders of the Society and its innumerable members, well-wishers and supporters who from year to year laboured for the ideals of the Society in the past.

As in the case of individuals so also is it with institutions and associations. The quality of imperfection exists in relation to individuals as well as in respect of associa-

not curbed now, it may never be."

The disruption-mongering element in the country will become uneasy over the sudden change of the political weather. But the responsible politician must remain true to conviction in fair weather or foul. If only the different political parties will understand that basic unity is a requirement for the responsibility of good government to the fulfilled, the necessary co-operation will be forthcoming and the Conferences between the Premier and the Representatives of the Tamil speaking people will take the useful course of agreed decisions that are acceptable to all sections of the people of this country.

tions and the Vivekananda Society is no exception. It would be the duty of all Hindus primarily and all others interested in the religious advancement of the people to assist the Society in all possible ways as if and wherever there are defects remedied. Moreover no individual could attain his fullest stature unless he or she renders service to his or her fellow beings, and the rest of God's creation. To render such service working through associations or institutions like the Vivekananda Society would be a practical method of achieving this noble purpose. These observations are made with a view to enlisting the support of Hindus, in the work of the Society. Hindus have suffered greatly by want of organised and united effort and by lack of their leading a corporate life in

certain matters. They have suffered in the past and in the exacting times ahead they are bound to suffer more unless they strengthen religious and cultural organisations like this Society. A large membership and active participation in the activities of the Society are two methods of serving the public, and are not beyond the reach and resources of a large number of people.

The Annual Report of the Society which has been read refers briefly to certain important items in the work of the Society; and hence it is not necessary for me to repeat all of them. In addition special attention could be given by the Hindu public to matters like the establishment of a Hindu

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Prize Day At Mahajana

Tribute To Founder's Patriotic Service

The founder of this Institution was really a prophet and a genius. For there were years when anybody passing along the road in front of the Thuraiappah School, as it was popularly known then would not but have wondered why at all that school was founded. In fact I used to think so when I wended my weary way to Jaffna College and back on week ends along the Tellippillai Vaddukoddai Road. But the school has remained to become the great Institution that it is today because the Founder, a selfless man, preferred hardship to cosy living as a teacher in the school he was teaching precisely, for the welfare of the people of his area said Mr. P. Sri Skandarajah, District Judge, Jaffna, in the course of his Prize Day Address at the Founder's Day and Prize Giving Function of the Mahajana College, Tellippallai

Continuing his speech, Mr. Sri Skandarajah dwelt on the need for Education with industrial, commercial and agricultural bias and added that students should get practical training in technical, industrial and agricultural pursuits during school vacations and should be of assistance to their parents who in turn should help their children in such endeavours.

Concluding his address Mr. Sri Skandarajah observed that extravagance and expenditure on unnecessary items in festivals, weddings and other such occasions should be stopped and competition in such celebrations should be avoided.

Congratulating the school on the excellent progress made in both studies and sports, Mr. Sri Skandarajah made

special mention of the punctual beginning of the function.

Extending a special welcome to Mr. Sri Skanda Rajah the Principal Mr. T.T. Jayaratnam, said "Sir, your fearlessness and impartiality as a judge, your keen and abiding interest in the religious and social life of the people, your robust commonsense and sympathetic understanding of human problems and above all your pleasing disposition and winning ways have earned for you our admiration and love. We are proud to have you in our midst. We are also happy to have Miss Sri Skandarajah distribute the prizes tonight. She has come to deputise for her mother who is unavoidably held up in Colombo. I am sure she has inherited her mother's charm and her father's amiability and talents.

Mr. S. Thanpoe, Retired Teacher of the College proposed a vote of thanks.

Principal's Report (Extracts)

Education in general and Assisted Schools in particular are faced with diverse problems today. The extension of the Swabasha medium of instruction to the University Entrance classes from 1958 poses the bigger and more vital question of the medium of instruction in the University. It is obviously unwise to recommend a change in the entrance classes without deciding on the medium at the University and in the Professional and Technical Colleges. But even if the University and other institutions of higher learning adopt Swabasha as the medium of instruction through popular pressure—as I feel sure they will in the present political climate—the switch over at the Entrance level at present is a very unwise move. Government policy in such important issues should be influenced by well informed public opinion and on the advice of educationists who know their business. Any teacher in the University Entrance class today is painfully aware of the useful lack of text books in Swabasha. Background literature and reference books will not be available for another two or three decades. Teaching personnel qualified in Swabasha and equipped to teach the collegiate classes cannot be recruited from the present generation. In these circumstances is it too late even at this stage to stop the switch over in the H. S. C.

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VIVEKANANDA SOCIETY 54th GENERAL MEETING

Proctor S. Sivasubramaniam
Elected President

"We have now completed 55 years since the inauguration of the Society in the year 1920. Especially in the present state of affairs in this country, the Society has an important role to play in the religious and social life of the Hindu community, and we would take this opportunity of appealing to the members and the Hindu public to take an active interest in the work of the Society and help it in every possible way to carry on its activities" states the report of the Council of Management of the Colombo Vivekananda Society submitted to the members at the 54th Annual General Meeting held on Sunday, the 23rd June, 1957, at the Society Hall, Vivekananda Hill, Colombo.

The report gives a resume of the work done by the Society during the year 1956/57, which had been one of intense activity.

The 26th Annual All-Ceylon Examination in Hindu Religious Knowledge conducted by the Society was held on 21.10.56, when a record number of 12,653 candidates from 211 schools appeared for the examination.

The Vivekananda Vidyalayam has grown from strength and continues to maintain the usual high standard during the year under review. The School had a proud record in the G. C. E examination held in December, 1956, when out of 9 students presented, 5 passed outright, one of them obtaining 5 credits, 3 were referred in one subject while only 1 student failed to satisfy the examiners. The construction of four additional class rooms planned during the previous year had been completed, thus relieving to some extent the congestion in the main hall.

The Branch School - the Vivekananda Vidyalayam, Negombo - has also made rapid progress within the span of 2½ years since its inauguration. The number on the roll is fast increasing, and, anticipating further ex-

pansion of the school in the coming years, the original sponsors of the school - the Negombo Y.M.H.A. - have purchased 62 perches of land adjoining the school premises.

The "Vivekanandan" the journal of the Society, had made its appearance regularly, giving the members information of the day to day activities of the Society. It is fast developing into an excellent journal, importing into its column a high standard of religious and literary merit.

The Society also joined the other Hindu institution in Colombo in according a reception to Their Majesties the King and Queen of Nepal during their recent visit to Ceylon.

After the report and the accounts of the Society had been unanimously adopted, Mr. K. Alvappilai, who presided at the meeting, paid a tribute to the retiring Office-bearers, particularly Mr. Allirajah, the Hon. General Secretary, who was laying down the reins of office after serving the Society as its chief executive officer for 5 years sacrificing his well earned rest and money.

The Society honoured its senior Vice President and Hon. General Secretary for a number of years, Mr. S. Sivasubramaniam, Proctor, by electing him President unanimously for the ensuing year. His name was proposed by the retiring President, Mr. K. Alvappilai, in accordance with the resolution of the Council of Management.

Mr. Sivasubramaniam, before accepting the high office of President, invoked the blessings of the Gods in traditional Hindu manner by falling prostrate on the ground and worshipping.

With the permission of the House, he then delivered the presidential speech.

The election of the other Office-bearers and Council

The Throne Speech Debate

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Point Scheme. Now the two principles may mean anything or everything. The studied insult and haste with which the M. E. P. has implemented the Language Act gives us no ground for hoping for any liberal attitude from the Sinhalese Government in the future. The main impression created on the public mind is that for reasons best known to themselves the deputation have done some propaganda for the Prime Minister's Four Points Scheme.

of Management resulted as follows:-

Vice-Presidents: Messrs K. Alvappilai, M. Ambalavanar, V. A. Kandiah, K. Mathiaparanam, A. C. Nadarajah, V. Ramanathan, R. Sabanayagam, S. Somasundaram and Pundit K. P. Ratnam.

Hon. General Secy: Mr. S. Rajadurai

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. E. Ponnampalam

Council of Management: Doctors M. Thiruvilangam and S. Rajendram, and Messrs V. Allirajah, V. Kanapathipillai, T. Sivasubramaniam, V. S. Nadarasa, K. Vairamuttu, P. W. Shanmugathasan, N. Thangarajah, M. Sivasubramaniam, S. Vallipuram, K. Thamothersampillai, A. Thangarajah, V. Amirtheshvararajah, T. Somasundaram, V. P. N. Singham, V. Appiah, S. Balasubramaniam, K. Lakshmanan, V. Markandan, E. Nallathambi, T. Neethirajah, S. Nadarasa, R. S. Sothianathan, S. Saravanamuttu, C. Sinnathurai, A. Sinnathambi, S. Sivapathasundaram, S. Sivasithamparam, K. Rajendram, V. Suppiah, V. Mailvaganam, P. Kathiraveloo Achary, M. Ramiahpillai, S. Chelliah, S. Sivasambo and S. K. Jeyaram.

Hon. Auditors: Messrs S. Paramjothy, S. Kanagasabai and K. Visvalingam

Public Auditor: Mr. G. Rajadurai

The meeting terminated at 12.15 p.m. with the singing of Thevaram.

Mr. V. Ramanathan of Messrs. A. V. R. A., one of the Vice-Presidents, then entertained the members to lunch.

Resolving The.....

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matters and may break up in confusion. The presence of able lawyers on both sides lend support to this view. History has recorded the case of the famous Frankfurt Parliament of 1848 which was convened to solve the problem of German Unity. This parliament concerned itself too much with legal trifles and being a parliament of professors and lawyers ended in confusion.

The Sinhalese and Ceylon Tamils should come to some working agreement regarding the question of citizenship for Indians in Ceylon. It would be absurd to demand citizenship for the thousands of illicit immigrants but the Ceylon Tamils must take adequate steps to have the Indian and Pakistan Citizenship Acts and subsequent pacts between Ceylon and India administered on proper lines. The economic threat arising from illicit immigration is a problem which concerns the Tamils as much as it concerns the Sinhalese and in their desire for parity the Tamils should not go beyond Tamils to include every person speaking Tamil in Ceylon in the category of Tamil speaking peoples of Ceylon. Technically speaking this community—Tamil speaking people of Ceylon is only a political creation and includes Muslims who are for Sinhalese only and thousands of others who don't deserve Ceylon Citizenship.

In short the Tamils must go all out to live with honour but they must do this in co-operation with the other communities in the island and they must think in terms of the whole country. They should also make sincere efforts to help the poorer section of the Sinhalese community to live through whatever means possible. The Sinhalese must realise that Sinhalese only is not the only way of solving their problems of language and religion and that Ceylon is no longer under a Dutugemunu or ParakramaBahu.

GOVT. TENDERS

Deputy Food Controller,
Jaffna

Tenders for the transport, rebagging etc. of food stuffs at the Supply Station, Delft from October 1, 1957 to September 30, 1958 will be received by the Deputy Food Controller, Jaffna upto 2.30 p.m. on July 23, 1957.

2. Full particulars may be obtained at the office of the Deputy Food Controller, Kachcheri, Jaffna. (G. 5. 28)

Religious

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Centre in the Fort area of Colombo, the founding of theological academies for the training of Hindu Priests, the publication of religious literature and the dissemination of religious thoughts and ideas, the renovation of ancient Hindu temples like Thiruketheeshvaram and Tirukoneswaram, to give two instances, the maintenance of the continuity of religious and cultural connection among Hindus in various parts of the world, particularly between those of India and Ceylon.

At this juncture in the history of this institution and of this country, it would be improper to be without referring to some of the important objects of the Society. One of the fundamental objectives is the promotion of Hindu Religion, the promotion of the Tamil language is another. For the majority of Hindus in Ceylon the Hindu religion without the Tamil language is unthinkable. The Hindus consider it their sacred religious duty to preserve their religion and their language. The scheme of things which unfortunately has deprived the Tamil language of its honoured place in the National affairs of the country is entirely unacceptable to them. It is gratifying to note that along with other Tamil-speaking people considerable sections of the Sinhalese-speaking people and other sections of Ceylon's public also keenly feel this desideratum. So far as the Hindus are concerned they would labour incessantly for any length of time and in the face of all difficulties to regain for their sacred language—Tamil—its rightful place in the National affairs of the country. In the pursuit of this goal, the Hindu community would exercise the virtues of goodwill, humility, self-sacrifice, service and fearlessness as enjoined by their religion. The Vivekananda Society on behalf of the Hindu community earnestly and sincerely requests the co-operation of all communities and creeds in Ceylon. There could be no doubt that God's grace will enable the goodness and good sense of the people of Ceylon to attain this noble goal which will be conducive to the lasting welfare and happiness, material and spiritual of all sections of the Island's population, and make Ceylon an ideal country in this wide world.

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classes and wait for more propitiate times. I am of the firm conviction that it is through the English medium and English medium alone that we can reasonably expect to equip our children, at least for the next twenty five years for responsible positions in the Administrative Service and in the learned professions. It is, therefore, my fervent hope that Government policy on such vital issues will be influenced by well informed and balanced public opinion and not by the whims and fancies of the unlettered and the uninformed however vocal and insistent they may be. It is time that the educationists and Heads of Schools throughout the Island organised themselves and persuaded the Government to go slow with their Swabasha policy in education so that the high standard of education for which the Island has been reputed is not thrown away for a mere national sentiment.

By far the most serious problem that faces the country today is the proposal of the Minister of Education to take over all Assisted Schools and run them as State schools. As an earnest of his keenness to bring about this change he has issued an order that no new denominational school shall be registered for grant in the future. It is argued that the education of a nation's children is the responsibility of the State, that denominational schools are a vestige of colonialism and that in a free country the State must take over all the schools and run them in accordance with a unified and coherent plan. Though there is substance in this contention it should not be taken to mean that education is the monopoly of the State unless we accept the creed of totalitarian countries where "thought regimentation" is the order of the day. In democracy freedom of thought and freedom of learning are a priceless possession which need be protected zealously against the intrusion of the State. State monopoly in education is unheard of in the democracies of the world. England has a dual system of schools. One category of schools is owned and managed by the State whereas the Assisted Schools are run by organisations which receive grant in aid from the State. America also has

a dual system, the difference being that schools run by private bodies are independent of State aid. They do not receive any financial assistance from Government. In Ceylon we had two categories of schools till recently, viz. State and Assisted, as in England. With the advent of Free education and the option granted to assisted schools either to join the scheme or be completely out of it, if they preferred to remain private and unaided, we have a third category known as independent schools. Ours seems to be a judicious admixture of the English and American systems and there is every reason to hold that this is the most

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 327

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Kanagasabai Sivasubramaniam of Vannarponnai west, Jaffna, Deceased.
Naganathar Kangasabai of Kaithady, Petitioner.

Vs.
Minor. 1. Naguleswary daughter of Sivasubramaniam of Vannarponnai west, Jaffna.
2. Karunakadachy widow of Sivasubramaniam of do. Respondents.

This matter of the petition of the petitioner praying that the 2nd respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the 1st respondent, that the petitioner be declared entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased and that letters issued to him accordingly, coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esq., District Judge, Jaffna on the 12th day of June 1957 in the presence of Mr. A. Thanabalasingam Proctor for the petitioner and the petition and affidavit of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd respondent be and she is hereby appointed guardian-ad-litem over the 1st respondent, that the petitioner be declared entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased and that letters issued to him accordingly, unless the respondents or any others shall show sufficient cause to the contrary on or before the 19th day of July 1957 at 10 a. m. The 2nd respondent do produce the minor the 1st respondent in court on the said date.

This 12th day of June, 1957.
Sgd. P. Sri Skanda Rajah
District Judge.

Drawn by,
Sgd. A. Thanabalasingam
Proctor for Petr.
(O. 33, 28 & 5)

S.S.C. Tamil Text Commentary

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Scholarly Commentary

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VATHAIPPADALAM

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 319

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Arumugam Kasi pillai of Karainagar West, Karainagar Deceased

Sinnammah widow of Arumugam Kasipillai of Karainagar East

Vs. Petitioner
Minor 1. Kasipillai Sithamparapillai and 2. Rasammah daughter of Arumugam both of Karainagar East Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skantha Rajah Esquire District Judge Jaffna on the 27th day of May 1957 in the presence of Mr. A. Kanagasabai Proctor for the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 25th May 1957 having been read:

It is ordered that the abovenamed 2nd respondent be appointed guardian ad litem of the minor the 1st respondent and the petitioner 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 3rd day of July 1957 appear before this court and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

And it is further ordered that the petitioner do produce the said minor respondent in court on the said date.

This 27th day of May 1957

Sgd. P. Sri Skantha Rajah
District Judge
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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

No. 308
Testamentary

In the matter of the intestate estate and effects of Kanapathipillai Subramaniam Sinnadurai of Velanai East Deceased

Thillaiamma widow of K. Subramaniam Sinnadurai of Velanai West. Petitioner.

Vs.

Minors { 1. Parameswary daughter of K. S. Sinnadurai
2. Nageswary daughter of K. S. Sinnadurai
3. Rajeswary daughter of K. S. Sinnadurai
4. Puvaneswary daughter of K. S. Sinnadurai
5. Subramaian Selladurai, all of Velanai West,

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 315 T

In the matter of the intestate estate of Velupillai Mathiaparanam of Manipay late of Colombo Deceased
Sellammah widow of V. Mathiaparanam of Manipay Vs Petitioner
1. Mathiaparanam Kanagarajah
Minor 2. Mathiaparanam Anandanadarajah and
3. Mathiaparanam Sri Mangalarajah all of do
4. Arulampalam Markkandu of Manipay presently of Colombo

This matter coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 17th day of June 1957 in the presence of Mr. S. Rajendran Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner having been read:—

It is ordered that the 4th Respondent be appointed Guardian-ad-litem over the minor 2nd and 3rd Respondents for the purpose of protecting their interests and of representing them in these Testamentary Proceedings and that Lettar of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be granted to the Petitioner as his lawful widow unless the abovenamed Respondents appear before this Court on the 19th day of July 1957 and show sufficient cause to the contrary

It is further ordered that the 4th Respondent does produce the said minors in Court on the said date
The 17th day of June 1957.

Sgd. P. Sri Skanda Rajah
District Judge.

Drawn by
S. Rajendran
Proctor for Petitioner,
(O. 36, 28 & 5)

G.A.L. of 1 to 4 Respondents.

Respondents.
This matter coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esq. District Judge, Jaffna on the 10th day of June 1957 in the presence of Mr. N. T. Sivagnanam, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the Affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner from which it appears that the Respondent is a fit and proper person to be appointed Guardian-ad-litem over the minors and 1st to 4th Respondents and that the Petitioner who is the wife of the deceased is entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the above-named deceased having been read:

It is ordered that the 5th Respondent be appointed Guardian-ad-litem over the minors the 1st to 4th Respondents and that the Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the Petitioner unless the Respondents abovenamed shall appear before this Court on or before the 3rd day of July 1957 and show cause to the contrary to the satisfaction of this Court. The Petitioner to produce the minors before this Court on the said date.

This 10th day of June 1957.
Sgd. P. Sri Skanda Rajah
District Judge,
(O. 34 28 & 5)

Education Should Not Be Made An Advertising Medium

In the course of his Presidential address at the annual meeting of the N. P. T. A, Mr. Sabaratnam said:

"A major tragedy in this part of Asia is in the offing because the majority community has got it into its head that their language and culture would have to face extinction if only they granted to the other community its due rights.

"This country is suffering today by a glut of patriots for one language or another, and by a paucity of proper leaders who consider the good of the entire country as the supreme good. Let us therefore raise our voice, however feeble, to support what bit of progressive forces there still are, to end this unhappy strife.

"If education is doing anything today, it is driving deeper the divisions between the country's cultural groups, thus preventing the development of the nation. It is a thousand pities that our Minister could not see the wisdom of our protest when he decided to segregate the teacher trainees at Maharagama—a step that, in our opinion is the most grievous blow for the future of National Education."

"In this country, we can easily see that we are not immune to mass hysteria, so that we cannot be surprised by the speed with which a flimsy educational ideal, will, as a result of propaganda, become the

fashion. In this extreme form, education will become a kind of advertising medium and we have therefore to be careful to save education from such misuse.

We must examine carefully any proposal affecting the fundamentals of school government or organisation.

"Can there be no compromise by which the good in the denominational system can be retained without at the same time, losing for the nation's schools, a whole host of concessions from greater state control? We can go to democratic countries like England for an answer. But let me say that in an atmosphere so beclouded with suspicion and mistrust there can be no agreement upon an educational issue of a national character.

"To correct the evils of the aided system, you have before you a resolution calling for greater State Control and commend it to you. In the meanwhile, let the question of the future status of teachers in Assisted Schools and the schools themselves, be discussed dispassionately, without the danger of decision being canvassed in the heat of political passion, as an issue on the eve of the next election.

Punctuality A Pleasing Feature

D. J.'s Observations at Skanda Sports Meet

Congratulating the Principal of Skandavarodaya College the Staff and the students on the high attainment reached at the Sports Meet, Mr. P. Sriskanda Rajah, District Judge of Jaffna, observed that what was most pleasing was that great attention had been paid to the observance of the value of time and added that punctuality helped in a great measure the maintaining of discipline,

Speaking further Mr. Sriskanda Rajah said that under the great guidance

of the philanthropist President Dr. S. Subramaniam and the persevering Principal Mr. C. Subramaniam, Skandavarodaya College was making rapid strides of progress.

Mr. Subramaniam, Principal of the College in welcoming Mr. Sriskanda Rajah and Miss Sriskanda Rajah said that Mr. Sriskanda Rajah who in his school days earned a reputation for both sportsmanship and scholarship had now won esteem as a great and capable judicial officer. Miss Sriskandarajah gave away the Prizes.

Letter to the Editor

Plebiscite the Proper Method

Sir,

The suggestion made by the Leader of the F. P, Mr. S. J. V. Chelvanayagam that a plebiscite should be taken to ascertain the wishes of the Tamil speaking people is quite appropriate and will be welcomed by all. But at the same time the F.P. Leader is reported to have stated that there is overwhelming support for a Federal Constitution. This statement cannot be substantiated by available data namely the present voting strength of the Tamil speaking M.P.s and the percentage of votes won at the General Election in 1956.

The Members for Point Pedro, Vavuniya, Jaffna, Paddiruppu, Mutur, Pottuvil, Kalmunai and Kalkudah do not favour the Federal Constitution. Less than 50% of the votes cast in the Tamil speaking electorate voted for the candidates of the Federal Party at the General Election.

To say that the Tamil speaking people are overwhelmingly in favour of a Federal form of Government before holding a plebiscite will not be in the interest of anybody.

MATTER OF FACT.
22-6-1957
Colombo.

ORDER NISI
IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
POINT PEDRO
Testamentary Jurisdiction
No. 571 T

In the matter of the Last Will and testament of the late Velauthar Coomaraswamy of Puloly West

Deceased.
Sothilingam widow of Coomaraswamy of Puloly West

- Vs. Petitioner.
1. Kathirithamby Subramaniam and
 2. wife Thangammah both of Puloly West
 3. Ponnammah widow of Thambirajah of do
 4. Candappah Velautham presently Shroff, Irrigation Office, Ratmalana
 5. Kandiah Sidamparapillai presently of Kachcheri, Kalutra
 6. wife Saraswathy of do
 7. Subramaniam Balasubramaniam and
 8. wife Bahavathy both of Puloly West,
 9. Velauthar Arumugam of do.
 10. Ratnapackiam daughter of Nagalingam of do.
 11. Nagalingam Coomaraswamy of do.
 12. Parupathipillai widow of Nagalingam of do.

Respondants.
This matter coming on for disposal before V. M. Coomaraswamy Esquire, Addl, District Judge, Point Pedro on the 30th August 1956 in the presence of Mr. S. Nagalingamudaly Proctor on the part of the petitioner abovenamed and the affidavit of the petitioner

PRIZE DAY AT MAHAJANA

(Continued from page 4)
acceptable arrangement at least for the present.

Whether one likes it or not we have in Ceylon a number of excellent schools built and nurtured over the years by selfless educationalists and philanthropists of all denominations. There can be no doubt if the Government took them over they will become second rate. Their standards will tend to deteriorate. There are faults in the denominational systems; there may even be abuses. But it will be foolish to destroy a system because of a few remediable flaws here and there. As far as we can see the Government is out to level down the Assisted schools because it will please certain sections of the people.

The Tamil speaking people of this country have to look upon the proposal with peculiar concern. The most effective resistance we have offered to the Sinhala Only Act so far, has been through the Assisted schools. It is well known that our schools, which were teaching Sinhalese before the Bill was passed, decided to discontinue the practice as a protest against the injustice perpetrated on the Tamils. It is also common knowledge that the Minister of Education and other members of the Government are much concerned about it. Once our schools are taken over the State will be free not only to introduce Sinhalese but also to give it pride of place in the curriculum. State schools will in effect be

abovenamed dated the 5th day of July 1956 and the affidavit of the Notary and the two subscribing witness dated 12th June 1956 having been read.

It is ordered that the Last Will and testament No. 1038 made by the deceased abovenamed and attested by S. Nagalingamudaly Notary Public on the 7th day of July 1954, the Original of which has been produced and deposited in this Court, be and the same is hereby declared proved and that the petitioner abovenamed is the executor named therein and he is hereby declared entitled to have probate thereof issued to him accordingly unless the respondents abovenamed or any person or persons interested shall on or before the 11th day of October 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 30th day of August 1956
Sgd, V. M. Coomaraswamy
Addl, District Judge.

Drawn by
Sgd, S. Nagalingamudaly
Proctor for Petitioner.

Time to shew cause entended to 5-6-57

Installed S. T.
D. J.

(O, 35, 28 & 5)

Sinhala Schools. The Tamil speaking people in this country will do well not to make a mistake about it.

Ever since the Sinhala Only Bill was passed about an year ago the political situation of the country has deteriorated so rapidly that the thinking section of the community can no longer look upon it with equanimity. It is feared that the cold war which has been raging between the two principal communities of the Island for the past few months may very soon develop into open warfare, bringing destruction of life and property in its wake. No one in his senses will fail to realise that every possible means has to be explored to avert such a catastrophe. The P. M. four point plan to concede what he calls "a reasonable use of Tamils" does not satisfy the Tamils, because they do not want more concessions. They want the restoration of a position which their language had been enjoying for ages and from which it was rudely and unceremoniously elbowed out last year by the infamous Sinhala Only Act. They feel that the Act put on the Statute book by the Sinhalese majority unilaterally, without consulting the views of the minorities concerned and in spite of their most vociferous opposition has injured their self respect as a people. Nothing short of equality of status will remove their feeling of humiliation and sense of frustration. Never before were the Tamil speaking people so united and so loud in their protest against a grievous wrong done to them. It will, therefore, be well for the Prime Minister whose responsibility it is to ensure peace and amity among the communities of this Island to assess the situation correctly and review the question dispassionately. In doing so he will have to rise above party and racial bounds. He will have to set his face resolutely—as he has done for some time in the recent past—against pressure groups in his own camp. Let us hope that he will rise to such heights of statesmanship as will ensure justice and fairplay to the Tamils. If he fails the Tamils, he will fail the country as well and he will go down to history as the Premier who plunged the country into civil strife and brought untold misery and hardship to its peaceful inhabitants.

Astrological

WEEKLY FORECASTS

'SRI PATHY'

FROM 23-6-57 TO 29-6-57

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

A good week for personal affairs. But you will have to face much criticism and opposition. Avoid arguments with your boss. New ventures will bring in good results after mid-week.

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

You will be able to steer clear of obstacles this week. Friends will prove to be very helpful. Triumph over competitors and fame also promised. But domestic affairs will still be in a muddle.

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

You will be able to succeed in your undertakings by persuasion. Your word will carry much weight. Ruin to enemies and success in litigation also promised.

CANCER Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

Beware of secret enemies this week. You will lose your temper in a hurry and as a result get into clashes with your bosom friends. Maternal relatives likely cause you some annoyance.

LEO Maha, Poora, Uttira 1, [Singha Rasi]

A good week. Financial gains and success in new ventures promised. But some clashes with superiors and troubles through vehicles indicated. No serious consequences shown.

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

There will be mental peace this week. Some misunderstandings will be cleared. Financial tension will ease. New ventures will progress satisfactorily.

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

Expenditure will be in the rise. Quarrels and misunderstandings with friends likely. Domestic affairs will be unsettled. Your hasty conditions in affairs likely to create some new enemies.

SCORPION Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

Friends will be very helpful this week. New ventures will bring in unexpected good results. Some minor health upsets likely.

SAGITTARIUS Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1. [Than Rasi]

Sunday and Monday morning must be spent with care. You may have to do some unexpected travelling this week. Friends will help you in your personal affairs. Financial gains also promised. Health will continue to be a problem for some more time.

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

Sunday will be favourable for solving outstanding problems. Monday Tuesday and Wednesday morning will upset you a bit. Week end will turn favourable again.

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

The first half of the week will be favourable for professional as well as personal affairs. You will have to face some criticism during the second half. But week end will turn favourable again.

PISCES Pooraddati 4, Uttaraddati, Revati. [Meena Rasi]

Except for the last two days this week will be quite favourable for your professional deals. Success in romance, gains and fame promised. Spend Friday evening and Saturday with care.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 305

In the matter of the Intestate estate of the late Kandar Veerasingnam of Tellippalai west deceased.

Veerasingham Karunanithy of Tellippalai west presently of Bingiriya. Petitioner

Minor 1. Veerasingam Arasanayagam of Tellippalai West

„ 2. Thilagavathy daughter of Veerasingam of do

G-A-L 3. Sinnappillai widow of Veerasingam of do Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasundaram, Additional District Judge, Jaffna, on the 4th day of May 1957 in the presence of Mr. M. Sithamparanathan, Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner having been read.

It is ordered that the above-named 3rd respondent be ap-

pointed Guardian, ad-litem over the minors the abovenamed 1st and 2nd respondents to represent them in this action and that the petitioner be declared entitled to Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased as son of the abovenamed deceased and that the same be issued to the petitioner unless the respondents or any other person interested shall appear before this court on or before the 10th day of June 1957 and show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary. This 4th day of May 1957 P. Sri Skanda Rajah (Sgd.) District Judge

Drawn by M. Sithamparanathan Sgd) Proctor for Petitioner 10-6 1957 Time to show cause extended till 2nd July 1957 P. S. (Intd.) D. J. O.32-21 & 28

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 326 T

In the matter of the estate of the late Sinniah Kandiah of Mallakam Deceased Kandiah Murugaiyah of

Mallakam Petitioner Vs. 1. Selliah Thedchanamoorthy and wife, 2. Tharmahunapackiam both of Mallakam Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esqr District Judge Jaffna on the 7th day of June 1957 in the presence of Mr. R. N. Sivaprakasam Proctor on the part of the 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 granted to the Petitioner as sole heir and son of the deceased, unless the said Respondents or any other person or persons interested shall appear before this court on or before the 19th day of July 1957 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary. This 7th day of June 1957 Sgd. P. Sri Skanda Rajah District Judge

Drawn by R. N. Sivaprakasam Proctor for Petitioner (O 31 28 & 5)

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