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UNESCO Conference.

NEED FOR SCRUPULOUS CONSCIENCE AMONG MANKIND

Nations Must Have Sense Of Honour

"THE world is faltering and confused. We must restore a scrupulous conscience among mankind, the search after truth and a sense of honour and beauty. Education science and culture, respect for justice and freedom, these are the ideals to which is directed the long march of man" said Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Chairman of the UNESCO Executive Board in presenting the Director-General's report for 1919 to the 4th General Conference on Monday.

"Unfortunately the activity of many member-States does not extend beyond attendance at general conference sessions. At the national level there is a breakdown in the means of implementation of the UNESCO program. This is an exceedingly grave danger to the whole future of the organisation."

"Economic realities are more important than political ideologies" Dr. Radhakrishnan added. "The scheme for technical assistance which is designed to raise the standards of living in the under-developed areas of the world will not only rebuild the world's shattered economy, but

Search For Hidden Treasure

The British Government has consented to official aid being given to 3 Britons in search of a 50-million sterling pirate treasure protected by a legendary "hidden guard".

The treasure hunters seek the fabulous wealth of 18th century French pirate La Beuze, blocked in a cave in Mahe, with the aid of a secret copy of the chart which he threw from the galleys in 1730 with the shout "Find it who can".

The searches are Mr. R.H. Wilkins, from East Africa, Mr. M.F. Morgan, Barrister, and Colonel D. M. Hennessey, retired Indian army officer. They have blasted through the cave's rock roof in several places but are facing the danger of explosion from escaping gas, thought to be from whale oil.

Their driving instruments have indicated gold and precious stones, and also the poison gases which may be the "hidden guardian" of the loot.

The pirate king hanged at Reunion Island warned of "mysterious dangers" to all who sought his treasure.

The three Britons are working behind barbed wire and are helped by nurses and armed guards and use gas masks.

Bee signs—common pirate symbol because bees kill intruders on their preserves—have been found guarding the gold and jewels looted from ships flying the Indian Ocean trade routes in the 17th and 18th centuries.

also contribute to peaceful reconciliation.

Stop Political Wrangling

Dr. Radhakrishnan, later called for a meeting of six heads of States—two from the East, two from Europe and President Truman and Generalissimo Stalin.

The purpose of the meeting, the Ambassador said, was "not to achieve political results, but to break through the blinding mist of misunderstanding".

Three hundred delegates attending the 4th General Conference of UNESCO applauded Dr. Radhakrishnan's plea.

"Cannot we from here, in the name of UNESCO, call upon the leaders of the world to listen to the voice of humanity in anguish to give up the ways of the jungle and inaugurate the history of man?" Dr. Radhakrishnan asked.

"Cannot we stop the political wrangles, the long-distance campaigns which we are carrying on in the capitals of the world and work together for peace? We cannot continue to live as an armed camp in a state of perpetual alarm."

Risks and Rewards

"Is it inconceivable for half a dozen heads of States, two from the East, two from Europe, and Truman and Stalin to meet, not to achieve political results, but to break through the blinding mist of misunderstanding, this mounting wall of prejudice? The risks are great, but the rewards will be greater."

"Such meetings were held during the last war. Can't they be held today to discover the road of peace? The goal of peace is not beyond our reach, and if we will, not beyond our strength."

"Cannot we strive for a peace, not built by the blood of the earth, sea and air, but the truth and virtue built in the minds, hearts and consciences of men?"

In this speech, acclaimed by the representatives of 50 States, Dr. Radhakrishnan said he was speaking, not as Chairman of UNESCO's Executive Board, but as a member of the Indian delegation.

Court Fine Refunded

Because It Was Too Low

The U. S. Senate has voted to refund a \$100 fine to John M. Hart of Alcatraz, Calif., because the fine was too low. Hart, a bank robber, contended he should have been fined at least \$1,000.

In 1937 he pleaded guilty to bank robbery in western Kentucky and was sentenced to fifteen years in prison. He also was fined \$100 on each of three counts.

Bill in Congress!

Hart paid the fines, but later he got to looking at the law. The legal minimum for the offence charged in one of the counts, he found, is \$1,000. Hart figured, therefore, that the \$100 fine was illegal and should be refunded.

The trial court agreed and set the fine aside. To refund it, however, requires an act of Congress. The bill now goes to the House.

American Pacifists' Move

Atom Bombs to be Kept Under Seal of U.N.O.

Mr. Horace G. Alexander, of the World Pacifists Organisation addressing a meeting of college students and teachers in Kanpur that he had just received letters from his American friends that there was a move on behalf of the Pacifists in America that all the atom bombs made in U.S.A. should be kept under the seal of the U. N. O.

Secondly he said that all further research in the atomic energy should be stopped unless and until there was an agreed move on behalf of the U. N. O. to carry on the research.

Mr Alexander also said that in spite of his best efforts, the Russian delegates were not arriving to attend the World Peace Conference to be held in India in the month of December.

The Speaker quoted a letter which he had received only a week ago from Prof. Einstein that only by pursuing the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi the third world war could be prevented.

LOOKING BACK

FROM THE SIXTIETH MILESTONE

(By LANKA)

ON the 11th of this month the Hindu Organ completed sixty years. Some few weeks ago when there was a brief reference in this paper to its Diamond Jubilee coming, I was reminded of the fact that just then this writer had completed sixty years, for fortythree of which he had been associated unofficially with the Hindu Organ as a correspondent, contributor and columnist, first from Malaya, then from India and Ceylon, sometimes under his real name, but usually under one or more pen-names.

Gate-Crashed!

Unofficially associated, I said. How did I manage it? Nobody appointed me, none asked me. I simply gate-crashed into the columns, that's all, and the editor and the manager far from necking me out actually encouraged me in my hobby. Still in my teens, advertising and journalism attracted me so much that I made hobbies of them. One subsequently became a profession while the other has remained a hobby except for a short period when I happened to be an active journalist both on the business and literary sides. Successive editors and managers of the Hindu Organ welcomed me and considered me part of the staff. So here I am, having grown with the H. O. Fortythree years' association is, I feel, quite a long one, if not a near record. I should love to be able to say this also seven years hence. Perhaps, perhaps not. Even if the spirit is willing the flesh should second it, and as age advance the flesh determines the spirit.

What Changes!

Fifty years is a good bit of one's life in which one could have seen vast changes in the world around. And when the period happens to be one of transition from one set of circumstances and convictions to another in social, political and general life, the changes must be phenomenal:

What memories come to mind on this occasion of looking back. The green fields and gold of Jaffna which gave us our food year in year out, where members of one clan or hamlet used to help in the harvesting and bringing home of the produce, as if they were of the same family, still stand out in my memory vividly the stamping cattle, the rising piles of grain, the mountains of straw, and the first feast. I have lived to see the thin and long queues of high and low pressing for a handful of paddy at ration shops.

The festivals in the various temples in distant corners, the kavadi's the processions and picnics, the bull-cart races, the New Year championships in which adults and elders took part with gusto, the swings and the coconut-fights, the reading of *puanas* in the temples, the occasional *natakams*,—these and such have

all but gone out. Buses make shortwork of them all. We have no time to think of these. Where a journey from any village to Jaffna Town was a day's affair running far into the night, now you can go from Pallai to Keerimalai and then to Kayts and back home via Jaffna in half a day. Though, Jaffna Town has been brought closer it seems distant still, for in our day we spoke of going to Pattanam but now we go to Yalpanam, the town having appropriated this name.

Where, oh, where, is the pleasant white dust of our famous white-metalled road? Tar macadam grinning through both corners of its ugly and uneven mouth is everywhere.

The Railway Came

I remember the cutting down of the stately palmyrah trees across the peninsula for Ridgeway's railway, and the slow procession of hundreds of bullock carts transporting steel rails, six at a time, from Kankasanturai to the construction point. But do we move much faster now? The railway not very much, for even today railcars take one hour for

ten miles. Those coach days were an experience, we took life easily, leisurely. When the railway came and noisily demonstrated the advent of the speed age I recall an old teacher of mine telling us in the class how getting into the train at Aththiady (Jaffna) at dusk he tried to light a recalcitrant cigar when, lo, before he could smoke it he was at Chunnakam. Today before you finish a cup of coffee from Kankasanturai you land in Colombo spic and span. That's speed, my dear sirs.

Have we changed as much as all that, really? Perhaps, or who knows? I still see the hardy, horny-handed son of the Jaffna soil turning up sods of earth in his field with the same old mamotte, in the same old manner. He still has the same work to do, the same water to hale out, though cumbersome chain-driven lifts have been fashioned for his confusion. It is as well that he has, for otherwise where would we be? Perhaps he can occasionally take jaunt to Yalpanam to see the Talkies, and can hum a couple of talkie tunes, where a theatrical show in our day was an event of rare occurrence which required one whole night's vigil and two nights' sleep after.

Distance and Time

Colombo was then four or five days' journey to the Jaffnaman who chose to travel. The round-the island steamers, lovely "Lady Gordon" and "Lady Havelock" made the trip once a fortnight. And how busy were outposts with ships going and coming and shoremen busy building boats. Those were days you could just

THE END OR GOAL OF LIFE AND ITS MEANS

The goal of life varies with every individual in the universe. No two of them have or can have the same or exactly same ideal or goal. Variety is the law in this as in everything else. There are as many ideals as there are people in the world. This was, is, and always will be the case, for that is what "the world" really means.

The highest goal of Life and its means have been formulated thousands of years ago by the Vedanta and the Siddhanta schools of thought but they have never been the common goal of man in actual life. They were meant only for the few, the 'tallest of men'.

If by the Goal of Life, the tallest of us would have its meant, we will examine it for the sake of the next batch of 'tallest' only, by comparing notes with the past and present generations of 'tallest'.

"Want" and "Have" have always been the means and end for all life from the lowest to the highest. "Have" has always been to the proportion of "Want".

The baby wants milk. The mother hastens to feed it. The adult wants a wife. Society arranges to supply him with one. Another wants learning. Pundits fly to him from all quarters of the world. But a Buddha will have none of these. He wants, he hungers for something else—something that will deluge him and all who go to him with unmixed, unceasing joy and wisdom. And he gets it. "Have" stands out knocking at the door,

while, 'want' opens it and bids him enter. Every "Want" is mated with its "Have". As is the measure of "Want", so is its measure of "Have".

"Want" & "Have" Innate In All Life

This "Want" and "Have", this Means and End, this hunger and satisfaction is innate in all Life and varies in volume and intensity in proportion to its growth.

The well-grown man, the ripe soul, ceases to hunger for the ordinary things of life. He hungers for things that will satisfy all his senses, his heart, and intellect, even his physical urges. The past generations of the highest men have attained and testified that there is such a thing as would satisfy every want and they called it God.

The Two Schools of Thought

There are two schools of thought about the means of attaining the Supreme end—God. One believes that God is beyond the senses and reason and is untouched by them, and begins by renouncing all, even to the extent of losing his dear "Self" until he attains God. This is the Path of Renunciation.

The other believes that all this is from God and of God. He believes that God can be sensed until he and his senses get lost in the light as the oil is absorbed in the flame. He renounces nothing, accepts all as from God, cons

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Treasure These Thoughts

The rain-water never stands on high ground but runs down to the lowest level; even so the Mercy of God stays in the hearts of the lowly but drains off from the hearts of the vain and the proud.

—SRI RAMAKRISHNA

U. N. P. RALLY

"OUR INTENTIONS WERE good" and our purpose sincere, said the Hon. Mr. D. S. Senanayake, Prime Minister of Ceylon and President of the United National Party "in forming the United National Party to work for the progress and prosperity of this country." The words of the Premier show the sincerity of purpose with which he founded his party. It is not as a man of letters or great learning that the Prime Minister has risen to the pre-eminent position he holds in the Island. His commonsense and practical wisdom have stood him in good stead in making him the leader of a party formed with the only object of promoting the progress and prosperity of his country; delegates who attended the rally have nothing but praise for him; in their opinion he has a sound knowledge of all political activities taking place in all parts of Ceylon and yet his regard for his opponents make him tolerant and good even towards his enemies.

The success of the rally proves that the U. N. P. is growing from strength to strength. The President welcomes constructive criticism both from within and without. Such an attitude is a healthy sign and is bound to make the party more popular. As against the mass rally and demonstration of the U. N. P. at the Gale Face there was a meeting of the Communist Party at Price Park. When one looks at both from a distance one would find the difference in strength between the two. Even the masses have most willingly supported the U. N. P. The Communists will not be able to thrive in Ceylon so long as the U. N. P. will not fail in its duty to improve the lot of the common man. Both the long-term and short-term plans of the party in power for the economic, social and cultural progress of Ceylon are commendable but much will depend upon how the plans are translated into action; the party may to some extent feel legitimately proud of its achievements during the last two years but more remains yet to be done.

We have often stated that the weakness of the U. N. P. lies in the party being constituted of different diverse ele-

SILVER JUBILEE OF JAFFNA HEALTH LEAGUE

Service Of Public Spirited Ladies

(Extracts from "The Jubilee Souvenir" of the Jaffna Health League, edited by Mr. E. P. Rasiiah, Hony. Secretary, Jubilee Celebrations Committee).

"The Jaffna Women's Health League (as it was then known) and Sister Easter Hayden of the Welfare Centre, Patur were the pioneers of maternity and child welfare work. They used to hold clinics at Moor Street without the aid of the Health authorities."

"Though the Urban Council appointed a trained midwife at its inception in 1933, it was the untrained midwife who commanded a roaring practice. It has been the unfortunate custom among the people of Jaffna to employ the services of the illiterate and dirty midwife for child birth. It has also been the custom in Jaffna to select the most unclean part of the house for delivery. Even some educated people invited the dirty untrained midwife into their homes for delivery."

Dream Comes True

Like most of their forbears, the present members of the Executive Council, are a set of public-spirited persons who have placed "Service" to their brethren uppermost. Actuated by this spirit of service they have toiled day in and day out and put by their savings during the last 25 years, to make "the dream of a permanent home and habitation of their own" come true.

A modern and up-to-date building with about 6 rooms and a large Hall will soon rise at Russell's Square, a Central Spot in Jaffna. The land for this building was generously leased out to this League by the Jaffna Municipal Council which deserves the thanks of not only the Health League but also the

members sometimes finding it impossible to have a common outlook on certain matters. If an impartial critic examines the U. N. P.'s grand mass rally replete with paraders and pageantry he would find that certain Cabinet Ministers who are not members of the party did not attend the rally; the absence of such Ministers is a pointer to the fact that the Prime Minister has drawn into the Cabinet colleagues who do not belong to his party. Such a state of affairs cannot continue for long. It is only when a party is not strong enough to form the Government, a coalition Government is formed consisting of two or more parties but when a party has a large majority in Parliament and is strong enough to form the Government, there will be no place in the Cabinet for anyone outside the party. Whether the present Government can be considered as U. N. P. Government is somewhat doubtful; for outward appearance, it is a coalition Government. It is to be hoped that the different elements constituting the U. N. P. will be able to sink their differences and act unitedly for the purpose of promoting the progress and prosperity of Sri Lanka.

women folk of Jaffna for this noble gesture.

The honour of laying the foundation stone for this epoch making building named "The Jubilee Health Centre" has rightly fallen on the M. P. for Jaffna, The Hon'ble Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam K. C., Minister of Industries, Industrial Research and Fisheries. We wish to extend a cordial welcome and express our sincere thanks to him for finding time to come down to Jaffna for this purpose.

This Building when completed will stand as a permanent monument to that spirit of selfless service and sacrifice of the members of the Health League, particularly the lady members.

It would also remind posterity that Jaffna, however poor it may be, had generously responded to a just and worthy cause.

Will Act As Nerve Centre

"The Jubilee Health Centre" would be the Head-quarters of the Central organisation and act as the nerve centre of all health activities of this Town and ultimately of the Jaffna District, sheltering for the present, under its roof the maternity and child welfare work.

The success of this, at so short a notice, could not have been possible but for Mr. Sam A. Sabapathy our popular Mayor who has been a source of inspiration to us all. Jaffna Town is bound to improve *inter alia* in Health under his tenure of office.

Needless to mention that we miss the dynamic personality of Dr P. Rajasingham, the M. O. H., who planned and laboured, organising the various items and co-ordinating them all to coincide with these celebrations. We are sure, though he may be far away from us travelling in a different hemisphere, yet he would be dreaming of this and his spirit and good-will would be with us watching and blessing our efforts. He has placed this League and the Town under a deep debt of gratitude. We thank him and wish him success in his post-graduate study and pray for his early return to Jaffna.

We have also to tender our thanks to the ladies of the Health League and their helpers for their whole-hearted support and continued assistance in planning and shaping the various events to make this celebration a success and also for undertaking the onerous task of catering.

During this celebration, the supreme authority of conducting, controlling and guiding the various activities, shows and amusements has been rightly vested on Dr. C. Candiah J. P., the President of the Jubilee Celebrations Committee. He is ably assisted by Mr. P. R. Thambiah and Mr. S. Sirinivasan, the President and Secretary respectively of the Carnival Subcommittee and the acting M. O. H. Dr. S. Vivekananda Rajah and Mr. P. Nadesan, the Propaganda Officer of the Municipality.

We entertain the hope that the Public and the participants in these celebrations will get more interested in Health work for "Health is the main Spring of Life."

Remittance To India Modern Methods of Cultivation

New Procedure

Indians in Ceylon desiring to send money to their dependants in India are advised to send their application forms direct to the Tahsildars concerned instead of to the Revenue Divisional Officers, and to arrange to get their applications properly stamped by their dependants in India at the earliest opportunity.

2. The Madras Government have not exempted the applications for Certificates on Ceylon Exchange Control Form No. 29 from the payment of court fee stamp. Therefore such applications should continue to bear court fee stamp for the value of 12 annas. The Government of Madras have also issued the following instructions:

1. The Revenue Divisional Officers should take action on applications, irrespective of the fact whether they bear, or do not bear, the necessary court fee stamps.

2. In the case of applications without court fee stamps, facilities should be afforded to the dependants in India of the applicants in Ceylon to affix the stamps to applications, at the time of the enquiry.

3. If, in any case, it is not found possible to collect the court fee stamps during the enquiry the enquiry should not be postponed on that account; but the dependants should be informed that the applications would be returned completed only after the necessary fees are produced to the Revenue Divisional Officer.

4. Applications for certificates of dependants would be disposed of within a month of their receipt in Government offices in the Madras Province. Any delay of over one month should be investigated with a view to check slackness at any stage. In order that inspecting officers may check delay without much effort Revenue Divisional Officers and Tahsildars are requested to maintain separate registers for these references.

5. In order to save time the Indian residents in Ceylon are advised to send their applications direct to the Tahsildar concerned; the Tahsildar in turn would forward them after making the necessary enquiries with a report to the concerned Revenue Officer.

Indian Governor's Experience

Addressing a public meeting at Sambalpur, Mr. Asaf Ali, the Governor of Orissa, referred to his experience as a farmer and said:

"Properly cultivated five acres of land, it is hoped, will be sufficient to maintain a normal family of 5. I have myself started cultivation of six acres of land in Government House compound. To start with, I spent nearly Rs. 100 for growing vegetables in two acres of land. In about three months time the sale-proceeds of the surplus vegetables, after meeting the needs of Government House and staff, amounted to Rs. 150 or more. This amount has been invested in the remaining four acres of land for sowing ragi, maize, sweet potato, groundnut, pulses, etc.

Bumper Crop

Today you will find a flourishing crop standing on the erstwhile fallow lands with a promise of bumper crop from which I estimate a net profit of Rs 500. This will again be invested in cultivation of further ragi crops. Next I propose to cultivate potatoes in one acre the cost of which will yield 300 maunds of potatoes. So, in about four months time, an income of Rs. 4,000 can be obtained, calculating the sale proceeds at Rs. 15/- per maund at the lowest, although at present potatoes are selling at about Rs. 27 per maund.

Humble Farmer

"Here you may say that having been given all the facilities at disposal of Government, it is possible for me to give effect to the aforesaid plans and that it is not so easy for all to achieve results to the same extent. But I may remind you that I have taken up this cultivation not as a Governor for the sake of mere show or fashion, but in the spirit of a real farmer on systematic and scientific lines, just to impress the utility of modern methods of cultivation upon the intending cultivators. The results achieved by me should convince others that the plan is full of promise and should be adopted by others."

What is Mahalaya? Its Special Significance

The *Pitru-paksha* and Mahalaya Amavasya were observed with great religious fervour by all orthodox Hindus. But how many of us know the special import and the significance behind these observances?

Writing on the above subject in his latest book, *All About Hinduism*, Swami Sivananda observes that the reason is that such ceremonies done during this fortnight have a special effect and reach the *Pitrus* immediately and directly due to a boon from Lord Yama.

The occasion for the boon arose as follows. The renowned hero of Mahabharata, Danavira Karna, when he left the mortal coil, ascended to the higher worlds and reached the regions of the heroes. There the fruits of his extraordinary charity while upon earth came to him multiplied thousand fold but it came to him in the form of immense piles of gold silver. Karna had done limitless charity of wealth but had neglected to do *ann dana*. Thus he found himself in the midst of wealth and plenty but with no food to appease him. He prayed to Lord Yama. The great ruler responded to his prayer and granted him a respite for fourteen days to return to the earth plane once again and make up for his former neglect. Karna came down from the *Mrityuloka* and for fourteen days he fed the Brahmins and the poor and made offerings of water etc. He performed the prescribed rites also on the last days. On his return once again to the higher world the effect of Karna's observances during this fortnight removed all his wants there. The time of this occurrence was the dark fortnight of *Asvini*.

Due to the grace of Lord Yama it came to be so ordained that such rites at this particular period acquired the following unique merits: Offerings made at this time reached, all departed souls whether they were kins directly in line of the offerer or not. Even those who died without progeny received these oblations given in this *Pitru-paksha* Amavasya day. All those who had failed to do deeds of charity and *Anadana* and were thus denied these comforts in the *Pitru-loka* benefited by these ceremonies. Those deceased whose dates of death is not known and consequently the annual *Sradha* cannot be done, they also get these oblations of *Pitru-paksha*. Souls whose life was cut off by violent, accidental or unnatural death and therefore offerings cannot reach them in the ordinary course to them too the *Pitru-paksha* offerings reach directly. All these are the boon of Lord Yama made possible from the time the great Karna performed the *Asvini Paksha* rites.

(—From Sunday Times)

Only Tamil Air Pilot in the Island

Mr. R. C. Raja Rayan of "Air Ceylon"

THE first and only Ceylon Tamil Air Pilot in "Air Ceylon" who is holding a Ceylon Commercial Pilots "B" licence is Mr. R. C. Raja Rayan, the son of the late Mr. S. R. Chelva Rayan of Jaffna.

Among the civil trained pilots who took up to flying after World War II he was the fourth to obtain his pilots "B" Licence in South India and the first in Ceylon.

Before joining "Air Ceylon" he was a pilot in the Deccan Airways Ltd, Hyderabad. There he was piloting Dakota aircrafts.

Mr. Raja Rayan was edu-



ated at the Jaffna Hindu College and Kingswood College Kandy.

Gandhi Jayanti Celebrations

The Jaffna District Committee of the Ceylon Indian Congress will celebrate Gandhi Jayanti at Navalar School, Vannarponnai, on Sunday, the 2nd of October, 1949.

At the public meeting that will be held at 4-45 p.m., Indian residents in Jaffna will present Gandhi Literature to the Jaffna Municipal Library. The following gentlemen will speak on the occasion. 1. Sam. A. Sabapathy Esq., Mayor, Jaffna; 2. K. A. Subrahmanyam, Esq., M. A.; 3. Janab M. S. M. Buhari.

From The Sixtieth Milestone

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arrive at Kankasanturai and step into a ship or thoni almost any day and cross over to India in under six hours without so much as any worry. And now in this age of speed and light you first spend a day in your ration shop getting back your dealer's counterfoil, then a day at the Kacheri sutrendering it and coaxing a permit to buy a rail, ship or plane ticket, then allow yourself to be searched for surplus cash or gold or what not. Returning you have vaccines injected into your body for this and that. Health Officers put you questions and Customs and Police give their close attention before you can reach home.

The Unchanging Half

In the midst of so much change we still have men and things going on in the old way. I can see our leisurely men still pinching tobacco or chew at a neighbour's and or drinking his black tea under his porch and spending a whole forenoon in gossip, women carrying headloads of groaning baskets to market, clad across their breasts same as fifty years ago, while their modern sisters with wristlets and vanity bags and spectacles and chappals go hobbling about shopping and sipping ice-cream or cocktails between gossip and small talk.

We can spend the early evening hours in a screeching cinema and drug coloured bottled concoctions called fancy names, while our forbears fifty years ago, when they did not go to bed early, spent some hours playing at cards vociferously and vehemently. Cement and barbed wire have helped to put us in concrete and confinement where cadjan and hedge gave us shelter and privacy before.

Barbers and purohithars now bike up to their clients. Bicycles were a rarity then. A few missionaries rode yellow painted machines and were a sight on the roads. When good Queen Victoria died, believe me, all the chief headmen organised funerals in their divisions and took biers to the local crematorium to the accompaniment of tom-tom and performed a regular ceremony.

Dr. Malan's predecessors of the Boer War were in Jaffna Fort as prisoners and schoolboys used to go to see them and the "Boors" seemed companionable chaps. Today Malan is segregating white and black and coloured into watertight compartments.

The Press

Newspapers were more interesting or exciting in those days. Many of them were so insular and local that in Colombo they were almost every day at each other's throats, and libel cases were the main fare. Torrid writing was started by Fidelis Perera in his Ceylon Native Opinion, and later Jaffna copied it in 'Suthesa Nativiyam' (Veluppillai's Jaffna Native Opinion) in Tamil. Generally Jaffna papers engaged themselves in learned and long controversies, while correspondents made lengthy contributions, mostly on religion. Today the radio flashes the news to us even before the matter is set in type in the press, and papers sell in plenty, we have crosswords and competitions and cinema reviews.

Oversea Pioneers

Young Jaffna and old spread out to places far east like Borneo, Celebes, Sumatra, Siam and Malaya in those days and kept up

Division Of Harvest

Ends In Fatality

The head of Mr. Mervyn Palipane, son of Mr. P. B. Palipane, Proctor of Kurunegala who is said to have been murdered on Saturday at Yakkala, was found by the Police in the Yakkala Oya on Sunday.

Blood-hounds belonging to the R. A. F. were used in the search by the Police. The hounds followed the scent as far as Deduru Oya.

The alleged assailant, a man named Mohotha of Narampola, is in Police custody.

On Saturday the body of Mr. Palipane was found on the road with the head severed from the trunk with a bicycle near it.

Mr. Julius Phillips, Kurunegala Magistrate, motored to the spot in the evening and held the magisterial inquiry.

The late Mr. Palipane had come on his bicycle to his father's house at Kurunegala on Saturday morning and left for his estate at about 10 o'clock the same morning on his bicycle.

Lay in Ambush

It appears the alleged assailant had lain in ambush, with a knife set upon Mr. Palipane as he was approaching the estate. Mr. Palipane had also knife injuries on his hands, apparently sustained when he attempted to ward off the blows aimed with the knife.

It is stated that the motive for the alleged murder was the division of the paddy harvest from fields belonging to the late Mr. Palipane.

Jaffna Hindu College

Wanted immediately (1) A Laboratory Assistant (men with mechanical and wood work preferred). (2) A Laboratory Attendant. Working knowledge of English is essential. Apply early with two recent testimonials.
PRINCIPAL,
(M, 126, 23 to 30)

regular touch with home, and poured wealth into the peninsula. The Sinhalese ventured out only later. One stage of Jaffna's life was highly influenced by the earnings and remittances of our pioneers. Can we say that we have really benefited by them? I have seen sturdy men from our homesteads abandoning their ploughs and fields and sailing away to Malaya where it was easy milk and honey all the way, and on their return with "collections" chose to live on them and despised the fields and ploughs and felt disinclined to work. Did they gain, have we benefited?

The Heavenly Palm

Our palmyras used to serve us in a thousand ways from root to tip, they were our wealth and mainstay. I have lived to see acres and acres of palm groves at one stage neglected and allowed to go wild. We had new loves in food, so palm juice and jaggery, pannattu and odral suffered a fade-out.

Today we turn towards Kankasanturai eagerly longing for cement to give us work and wealth. What answer shall we give honestly when we search our hearts whether we have made proper use of God's great gift of the palmyra? Tobacco that I had seen bundled and shipped to Malabar has in a couple of generations become a glut here.

Vadamarachchy Rural Development

Village Leaders' Training Class

The above Training class was held at Alway on 17th and 18th afternoon 1949, under the Presidentship of T. Ramalingam Esq., M. P. Advocate. Above 150 delegates from the 27 Rural Development Societies in the Vadamarachchy Division attended the course of training. The societies contributed in cash and in kind for meals for the trainees.

The G. A. who declared upon the class spoke on self help, mutual help, leadership, organisation, Food Production and achievement of certain societies. He also explained the circumstances that led to the organisation of the training class as an example of co-ordination.

The M. P. in his presidential speech touched on leadership, and requested the trainees to listen to the talks carefully and when they return to the respective villages to spread the knowledge they gained to other villagers.

The other speakers on the 1st day training class were the District Organiser National Savings Movement, M. O. H. Point Pedro, Education Officer, Agricultural Officer, and the Supervisor Community Centres. The afternoon was solely devoted to Agricultural programmes. Lectures with demonstrations and a cinema show were held.

On the 2nd day, the A. S. P.; K. K. S., Assistant Registrar of Co-operative Societies, Director Rural Development, the Senior Industrial Assistant of the Industrial Department, Rural Development Officer, the President of the R. D. Union and D. R. O. spoke.

The Director Rural Development in his address to the leaders said: 'This movement requires leaders, You are going through what is called a village leader Training Class. A movement of this magnitude cannot be carried out by a single person however able he may be.'

True Leadership

Two essential principles to establish the movement are emergence of true leadership in areas and co ordination of Government activities and co-operation of officers of Government Departments. All Government Departments are now working as a team because Government is in a spirit of doing service to people. In one D. R. O's Division within six months 58 women societies were formed. These Societies carried out successfully.

Thrift and Savings campaign among the fellow women. Government steps in to help the people to help themselves. It is your duty as leaders to induce the fellow villager to join your society and work for the common welfare. Today whole of Ceylon realises R. D. movement a people's movement-born of the people promoted by the people. R. D. is an essential movement. All sections of community, all political parties agreed that conditions in Rural areas must be improved. So there is no dispute about this scheme.

In short co-operative life is better than self life. Villager has not realised the Government has a duty to him and he has a duty to Government. The Senior Industrial Assistant, Industries Department spoke on the Industrial Products Quota Ordinance which will help Industries, Industrial loans and fostering existing industries. He also advised the leaders to encourage Co-operative organisers.

Federalists Meet at Kopay and Changanai

The Federalists held two meetings last week and one at Kopay and the other at Changanai in the Vaddukkoddi Constituency. The Kopay meeting was at the Navalur School with Mr. C. Vanisingham M. P. in the Chair.

Mr. S. J. V. Chelvanayagam R. C., M. P. in his address described the disturbed meeting at Nallur on Sept. 3rd a great success for the Federalists. He said that all over Jaffna people had realized the danger of freedom of speech being destroyed. He made the claim that the young men in every village were organizing meetings to hear them, the Federalists. For their part, he further said they would never break-up any meeting of those whose views were opposed to theirs.

Speaking on the political situation Mr. Chelvanayagam said that the slow liquidation of the Indian Tamils by depriving them of citizenship first and the franchise next, were steps in the destroying of the Tamil nation in Ceylon. They could not wait one moment without fighting for the creation of the Tamil state. "If we wait" he said "it may be too late."

Pandit S Ilamuruganar analysed the advice of Mr. K. Kanagaretnam M. P. that the Tamil students must learn Sinhalese in order to get jobs. If that advice, the speaker said, was followed there would be no people to worship at the Thirukketheswaram Temple which Mr. Kanagaretnam was trying to restore and rebuild.

The other speakers were Messrs V. Muthukumar M. A. and A. Amirthalingam.

The second meeting was held at the Changanai on Sunday evening with Mr. S. Nadarajah Proctor in the chair at this meeting too Mr. Chelvanayagam emphasised the need for a federal Govt. in Ceylon.

Pandit Subramaniam and Mr. A. Amirthalingam were among the other speakers.

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The president of the R. D. Union enumerated some of the achievements of societies.

On the second day the Director R. D. was the guest at lunch of 150 village leaders. At the end of the training course a Volley Ball match was played between societies.

On the 24th inst these trainees went on an educational tour accompanied by the Supervisor R. D. and R. D. O. to the Government Farm Thirunelvely, Cement Factory, Kurumpaciddy R. D. S., Puttur Silk Farm, Vasavilan Toy Centre, Vasavilan Monastery Farm, Chunnakam Carpentry Workshop, Alway Mat Centre, and Poikandy R. D. S. Coir Centre.



(By Squint Eye)

A news message in the Indian press recently explained that Pandit Nehru gets less than fifty rupees a month as salary, after paying income-tax of about sixtyone thousand rupees, while his ministerial salary is just above sixtytwo thousand rupees per annum. Of course Pandit Nehru has earnings from his paternal property, his own books and so on.

The enterprising news agency which broadcast this piece of information perhaps takes its readers to be incapable of understanding that the tax paid by the Pandit was on his total earnings, not on salary alone. Jawaharlal has been badly served!

Experiment conducted by the United States Department of Agriculture have indicated that the addition of earthworms, both live and dead, to the soil have increased crop yields, 81 per cent with dead worms and 83 with live.

Science thus is getting down to earth, after soaring to the skies!

And the worms will now turn at man's progress!

Prime Minister Senanayake at a Galle reception where they hailed him as the father of the Nation, denied paternity and pointed to some of his predecessors and himself took the role of the midwife.

Independence must be fathered on somebody.

In the Municipal Council they commended the Police for preventing the holding of the Federalists meeting at Kajjala Pillaivar Veethi, and the sponsor of the resolution was vehement in his avowal that the police action averted loss of limb and life!

Knowing that the oppositionists had usurped the meeting place the mover of the resolution unconsciously let the cat out of the bag!

Scientists at the Atomic Energy Laboratory in New Brunswick have been able to devise instruments to weigh a grain of beach sand and a full stop in writing. This full stop has been weighed as one millionth of a gram.

Those accustomed to speak or write ponderously may be startled at the recording of the machine!

A Book Bargains at 25% off, starts with "Introduction to Psychology—Boring, Rs. 16. 76."

I didn't go further, after this candid admission?

Britain's devaluation rate of the pound was commended by Reuter as "even slightly lower than the black market rate."

Cripps has always been wanting to beat the black market.

The Patiala and East Punjab States Union is known for short as PEPSU.

Mentioning this to a public

meeting Prime Minister said that it should keep their digestion in order.

Resulting from the investigations of the Income Tax Investigation Commission in India, an increase of ten crores in tax receipts is expected. The undeclared wealth that is taxable is estimated at 1000 crores of rupees, of which Bombay had 300.

That is unto'd wealth which magnates manage to make!

On Monday when the headlines announced "U.K. DEVALUES STERLING" it came as a bombshell.

When Crisps and his colleagues three months ago started denying suggestions of devaluation, I knew it was coming. That's politics, my dear, sirs!

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No- 1077

In the matter of the estate of the late Grace Parimalam Sinniah wife of Krishnar Christakumar Sinniah of Jaffna Town

Deceased. Rajah Solomon Arulanantham of 2nd Cross Street, Jaffna. Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Katherine Muttamham widow of J. G. Rajah
2. Joyce Thyalam Rajah
3. John Vivekanantham Rajah
4. Pearl Sugirtham Rajan
5. Edward Paramanatham Rajah

(Minor 6. Nita Pavalam Rajah, all of 2nd Cross Street, Jaffna and

7. Krishnar Christakumar Sinniah of Christian College Kopay.

The 6th Respondent, a minor appearing by her proposed Guardian ad Litem the above-named 1st Respondent.

Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Goonesekere Esquire District Judge, Jaffna, on the 1st day of August 1949 in the presence of Messrs. Saravanamuttu and Nadarajah, Proctors, on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the abovementioned petitioner dated 18th July 1949 having been read: It is ordered that the 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the minor the 6th respondent and that the said petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the said intestate as her brother and one of her heirs and directing that such Letters of Administration be issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 7th day of September 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that that the petitioner do produce the minor on the said 7th day of September 1949.

This 1st day of August 1949.

Sgd. S. S. J. Goonesekere, District Judge.

Time extended to 6-10-49.

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The End or Goal of Life And Its Means

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tantly living in the palm of His hand.

"Renounce nothing, For all are in God and from God

Hug the whole And be dead in the embrace That thou mayst not languish thy heart over parts." says the latter

The goal of both in the end is the same attainment of the Supreme Person—the perfect whole.

Attachments Necessary

Do not fear to be attached. Attachment and detachment are both necessary for a perfect culture of the soul. A tree sends its roots deep down into the earth to such nourishment therefrom. It also throws out leaves into the sky to absorb nourishment from above. Such is man. Both nourish him. Let us not be afraid of attachments. They have their place and value in the scheme of things.

Now how can this "Want"—the eternal means—be created. Yes! That is where schooling and education comes in. But such creation of want is artificial and is not as wholesome as the natural want that comes to every deserving ripe man some day or other. Fruits are artificially made to ripen before their season. Such fruits do not taste as sweet as those that ripen naturally and in season

Attachment and detachment are also like this fruit. Until it is ripe, it must remain attached to the tree and yet all nourishment therefrom. When it is ripe enough it detaches itself as naturally and leaves the tree to feed the Gods. —"AIYA"

Valikamam East Agricultural Competition Prizes

A largely attended public meeting was held at Neervely Attiar Hindu College on 20-9-49 presided over by Mr. E. J. Rajaratnam, C. C. S., A. G. A. A large number of prizes to the winners in the Agricultural Competition in Valikamam East Division were given at the meeting by Mrs. E. J. Rajaratnam.

In the course of his speech Mr. Rajaratnam congratulated the prize winners and exhorted the people to take greater interest in food production. He also told the meeting that when the Government was trying to help Jaffna man by giving out houses and lands at Kilinochchi it will be very foolish on their part if they fail to use this excellent opportunity.

Muhandiram Attiar Arunachalam in the course of his speech stated that one result of our winning independence was that a man like Mr. Rajaratnam who works unstintingly for the benefit of the Tamils has been sent here as the A. G. A. He added that the ancient village ponds and flood channels in the villages should be repaired and deepened by the Government. He also made mention of the excellent work done as Secretary by Mr. S. Subramaniam.

Mr. M. Velauthar proposed a vote of thanks.

Jaffna Athletic Meet

Ariyai Wins Chanda Challenge Cup

A very big crowd witnessed the First Inter Club Annual Athletic Meet held at the Jaffna Central College Grounds 1st Friday and Saturday evening organised by the Jaffna Sports Association. 102 Athletics from more than 17 Clubs and schools participated in this meet which was held under the distinguished patronage of Hon. Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam, Minister for Industries Industrial Research and Fisheries.

The highlights of the Meet were the two bicycle races, tug-of-war, three miles race and the relay events. The Ariyai Sports Club displayed a splendid performance by winning the Chanda Challenge Cup presented by the Chanda Sports Co. Colombo for the First Inter Club Athletic Championship, while the Orient Recreation Club and the Jaffna Central College tied for the second place.

The most interesting event of the Meet was the tug-of-war in which the Gurnagar S. C. had a facile victory over the Police S. C. in the final round. The Ponnambalam Challenge Cup presented by Hon'ble Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam for tug-of-war was given to the S. C.

The outstanding performance in the meet were: V. S. Esau (Jaffna Central College) who won the Chittampalam Challenge Cup and the C. S. T. C. Jubilee Cup for Putting the Weight and 220 yards; S. Arulambalam (Orient S. C.) who won the Excise Department Challenge Cup and Dr. Subramaniam Challenge Cup for the one mile and 3 miles events, while A. Vethanayagam (Gurnagar S. C.) won the Dayarams Challenge Cup and Anton Ponnampalam Cup for the two bicycle races.

Immediately after the Meet, Mr. P. J. Hudson, President of the Jaffna Sports Association welcomed the Patron Mr. G. G. Ponnampalam and other distinguished guests present at the Meet. Mr. G. G. Ponnampalam, in his address said that he was very happy for being present at the first Athletic Meet organised by the Jaffna Sports Association. He congratulated the members of the Committee of the Jaffna Sports Association for the keen interest they are evincing to promote sports in Jaffna and thanked them for enabling him to be present on that occasion. He said that the Meet had been organised on efficient lines and that it will not be long for Jaffna to produce athletes for Olympic Games. He assured that he would do everything possible for the promotion of sports in Jaffna. Special mention was made by him of the creditable performance displayed by the Ariyai Sports Club by winning the first Inter Club Athletic championship, and the Gurnagar Sports Club for their runaway victory in the tug-of-war event, which was the most interesting item of the Meet. He concluded his address by wishing the Jaffna Sports Association all success in its future activities.

Mrs. Hudson distributed the Challenge Cups and certificates. Mr. R. C. S. Cooke, Vice President, while proposing a vote of thanks explained briefly the objects of the Association.

Final Ranking of Clubs
Ariyai Sports Club (Champions) 38 Points, Orient Recrea-

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1057

In the matter of the estate of the late Sinnamma wife of M. Kumarasampather of Vannarponnai West Deceased

Mariappather Kumarasampather of Vannarponnai West

Vs Petitioner

Minor 1. Amirthavalli daughter of Kumarasampather of do
2. Thaiyalamma daughter of Nagalingam of Chemma Street, Jaffna

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Goonasekera Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 15th day of June 1949 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 2nd respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minor the abovenamed 1st respondent and that Letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the petitioner as the lawful husband of the said deceased unless the respondents abovenamed or any others appear before this court on the 3rd day of August 1949 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 28th day of June 1949

Sgd. S. S. J. Goonasekera 3-8-49 District Judge

Order Nisi extended for 28-9-49

Intld. S. S. J. Goonasekera D. J.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF POINT PEDRO

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 410

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Paramanathavalliar Kasinather Veluppillai of Thunnalai South Deceased

Kasinather Ramu Namasivayam of Thunnalai South Petitioner
1. Veluppillai Sivasubramaniam of Karathivu Batticaloa
2. Thanganayagam daughter of Seenithamby of do Respondents

The 1st respondent is a minor by his G. A. L. the 2nd respondent

This matter coming on for disposal before P. SriSkandaraJah Esquire District Judge Point Pedro on the 14th day of September 1949 in the presence of Messrs Kandaiya and Mailvaganam Proctors on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated 9th day of April 1949 and the affidavit of the Notary who attested the Will and of the subscribing witnesses thereto having been read

It is ordered that the said Last Will be declared proved and admitted to Probate and that the petitioner be declared Executor of the said Last Will and Probate issued to him unless the respondent or any other person shall on or before the 12th day of October 1949 show cause to the satisfaction of the court to the contrary.

This 14th day of September 1949

Sgd. P. SriSkandaraJah District Judge.

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tion Club & Jaffna Central College Tie 26 points, St. John's College 24 points, Gurnathar Sports Club 23 points, Scandavarodaya College 8 points, Police Sports Club 6 points, Patricians Athletic Club 1 point.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1089

Valliammai widow of Kanapathipillai Karthigesu of Karainagar West Jaffna Petitioner

Vs

1. Karthigesu Nadarajah
2. Karthigesu Subramaniam
3. Karthigesu Ramanathan and
4. Kathirgamar Subramaniam all of Karainagar West Jaffna Respondents

In the matter of the Estate of Kanapathipillai Karthigesu of Karainagar Jaffna late of Haravard Estate Bedong Kedah in Malayan Union Deceased

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Goonasekera Esq, District Judge, Jaffna on the 6th day of September 1949 in the presence of Mr. Alfred Swampillai Proctor on the part of the petitioner, and the affidavit of the abovementioned petitioner dated 6th September 1949 having been read,

It is ordered that the said fourth respondent, be appointed guardian ad litem over the minors the 1, 2 and 3rd respondents and that the said Petitioner be declared entitled to have Letters of administration to the estate of the said intestate as his widow and that she is entitled to have Letters of administration and the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 5th day of October 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary

It is further ordered that the Petitioner do produce minors in Court on the said date.

This 6th day of September 1949 Sgd. S. S. J. Goonasekera District Judge.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1067

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Velu Pirancis Kanapathy of Nallore Deceased

Sellappah Sinnathurai of Chiviartheru. Petitioner

Vs.

1. Chellan Rasu
2. Chellan Manikkam
3. Arumugam Somalingam
4. Sabapathy Arumugam
5. Rasammah widow of Velu Kanapathy all of Nallore
6. Velu Vallikkuddy of Karaiyoor.
7. Pirancis Kanapathy Asservatham of Nallore Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. S. J. Goonasekera Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 28th June 1949 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 4th respondent be appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minor the abovenamed 3rd respondent and the Last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased dated the 22nd day of June 1936 and attested by B. Joachimpillai Notary Public under No. 18884 be declared proved and Probate thereof issued to the petitioner as the Executor named in the said Will, unless the abovenamed respondents or any others appear before this court on the 31st day of August 1949 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further ordered that the abovenamed minor to be produced in court on the said date.

This 28th day of June 1949, Sgd. S. S. J. Goonasekera District Judge.

Order Nisi extended for 28-9-49 Intld. S. S. J. Goonasekera, D. J.

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