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FOREIGN POLITICAL ARENA

## PARLIAMENTARY DEADLOCK IN BRITAIN

### WHO WILL BREAK IT?

THE London Daily Mail, discussing the Parliamentary deadlock in Britain, points out that neither of the two main parties wants an early general election and that the Liberal Party realising the bargaining power it gains from "having two beaux on their string" is "inclined to take its time in seeking the best terms."

Who then will break the deadlock? The elector, answers the Daily Mail. "In spite of his traditional party allegiance he is examining the situation fairly and very closely. He does not like it and now he is making up his mind."

"Do we begin to see the shape of things to come? We do not go so far as to prophesy; the sway of the barometer is still too unsettled for that. But we offer as evidence the recent parliamentary and municipal elections: within a fortnight both English and Scottish voters have decided by two by-elections to reduce the Socialist majority in straight fights."

"In the Scottish municipal elections some days ago there was a slight but noticeable swing to the Right, depriving the Socialists of control in the last of their city strongholds. In such surveys of the political barometer we do not pretend to be any more accurate than the meteorologists."

#### Possible Consequences of New Election

The Manchester Guardian welcomes the return to Parliament, as the result of a by-election, of Mr. John Edwards, who, it says, was recognised by all parties in the last House of Commons as one of the ablest of the Labour members.

It then goes on to discuss, in the light of results of by-elections and local council elections, the probable trend of public opinion, and the possible consequences of a new election. It argues, on such statistics as are available, that there has been a swing to the Right, which can be calculated statistically as a swing of 1.7 per cent.

This figure is based on by-election results, but if this swing of 1.7 per cent. were repeated over the whole country it would make the two parties almost exactly equal in voting strength. It would give the Conservatives the lead in Parliament. Thirty-two Labour members are retained on majorities smaller than the 1,655 votes lost by Labour at the Brighouse by-election. The Conservatives, that is to say, might have about 330 seats against Labour's present 315.

The newspaper adds: "The

electors of Brighouse cannot be taken as representative of the country. But the straw for what it is worth again confirms the belief that it is not yet time for the next election. The shift of opinion at Brighouse was, in fact, typical of the national mood and an election would barely give the Conservatives a comfortable working majority, and because of the concentration of Labour votes in mining constituencies, the Conservative lead in Parliament would be based on a much smaller lead in popular votes than Labour gained in February.

"The Conservatives would not in these circumstances have the moral authority for a firm Government."

#### Democracies Face Communist Challenge

The London Times, writing under the heading "Measures Against Communists", draws attention to the fact that the "past month has seen a marked increase of activity in the battle constantly being fought between the Democratic Governments and the Communist minorities."

After giving examples of the action taken in France, Australia, South Africa and the U. S. A., it says: "This issue presents the Democracies with acute problems of conscience and strategy. It must always be a nice question whether or not a political party which aims at establishing a dictatorship and bringing about a social revolution by peaceful means and with the assent of the electorate can properly be suppressed on the ground that its policies are intrinsically immoral; but in the case of the Communists this question does not really arise."

"However passionately the Communists may renounce force when it suits them to do so, the actions and speeches of their leaders, particularly in France and Italy, show that they are ready at a sign from the Kremlin to instigate acts of sabotage or disruption against any government in the world."

#### Ambiguous Position

"It is a first principle of Democratic theory and a rule of common sense that no man can claim from the State the rights he is not himself willing to concede to his fellow citizens. The Communists, therefore, are in an ambiguous position of demanding as of right the privileges of citizenship from States which they openly declare their intention of betraying."

"The Democracies need not have scruples about taking measures against them when the need arises. What is essential is that persons innocent of any hostile

## Heart-Beat Of Stalin

### Constant Fear— Consciousness

Marshal Stalin's evident fear of assassination, even in his own country, is described by Field Marshal Lord Wilson, of Libya, in his memoirs, *Eight Years Overseas*.

Lord Wilson records that during the Yalta Conference, when Marshal Stalin left his villa to visit Mr. Churchill, all traffic was turned off the road and the guards at the chateau were doubled.

When shaking hands with the visiting staffs, Marshal Stalin looked not at the man whose was holding his, but at the man whose hand he just let go.

Lord Wilson refers to a "judicious" scene, when Marshal Stalin, after group photographers had been taken in the Livadia Palace, got up to move across to the conference room.

"He was immediately surrounded," writes Lord Wilson, "by five or six broad-backed officers wearing what appeared to be Colonel's badges, their pockets bulging with automatics."

"Their huddle around Marshal Stalin reminded me of that of a football team around one of the side whose pants have been torn off him; and, in that manner, he was escorted into the conference room."

intention to Democracy should not suffer in the process and that the action taken against the Communists should be as effective as possible and involve the least possible dislocation in the life and way of behaviour of a free society."

The London Times has, however, some doubts about the "exceptional legislation" proposed by Mr. Menzies, the Prime Minister of Australia.

It says: "Certainly most vigorous action is required to check the dangerous and unscrupulously exercised powers of the Communists in Australia. It is undeniably the duty of the Government and the legislature representing the people to defend the community against revolutionary agents. Every sensible person in a Democracy must sympathise with the purpose Mr. Menzies has set himself, but many will unhesitatingly question the wisdom of all the provisions of the legislation he demands for the achievement of that purpose."

"It may not be too late for modifications that will check the Communists but at the same time preserve the precious tradition of liberty."

## University of Malaya

### Chair For Tamil

A three-day cultural conference of the Malayan Tamil Association (Malayan Tamil Pannai) has concluded at Seremban, in Negri-Sembilan State.

The general meeting of the association adopted a resolution stating that the institution of a Chair for the study of Tamil in the University of Malaya was highly essential. The resolution supported this by referring to the ancient and historic link between Malaya and Tamilnad, and the indelible imprint South Indian culture has made on Malayan culture."

The Board of Studies established by the Senate of the Malay University to consider the establishment of a Department of Tamil or Indian Studies in general in the University has suggested that provision should be made in the University for Tamil

### The Press Must Express Truth

"Newspapers should be not merely purveyors of news but educators of public opinion. They should not care for sensationalism, that is American journalism. Presentation of news should be true, honest and fair and not biased." Tandon, Speaker U. P. Legislative Assembly.

studies, leading in the first instance to a Pass Degree; and that there should also be provision for teaching Indology.

The Malayan Tamil Pannai resolved to institute scholarships for deserving students who entered the University of Malaya for the Tamil Department. It requested the University to recognise the examinations held by the Pannai as sufficient qualification for admission to the Tamil Department of the University.

Mr. Sinnathamby, a member of the Negri Sembilan State Council, offered to endow the first scholarship the Pannai was instituting at the University.

About a hundred delegates from all parts of Malaya participated in the Conference, which was conducted under the guidance of Mr. O. A. R. Arunachalam Chettiar, President of the Pannai.

Expositions of dance, music and other arts were part of the conference proceedings.

## The Rainbow of His Love

The night of dread illusion spreads  
 Her deep dark mantle on the soul  
 And hides his glory.  
 The sun of grace dawns  
 It brings a flood of light  
 And dispels the dark shadows.  
 Now the soul reveals his splendour eternal  
 This grace is of the Master-God in human form  
 Who comes to save struggling souls  
 From pain and sorrow and death.  
 Grace pours from Him like rain  
 Across which glistens the rainbow of his love—  
 Lit up by His radiance—  
 Made of the varied hues of His attributes Divine.  
 Blessed is the soul who thus shines by His power  
 And is resolved into Him—losing all separation.

—Swami Ramdas.

## IN CONTEMPLATION'S SOBER EYE

### The Spiritual Strength Of Silence

"Only they who take  
 Time to be silent, hear through all  
 That is God's whisper, still and small".

A whisper has little chance of being heard in the noisy world of to-day. We are attuned to clamour; he who shouts loudest arrests our attention; the Voice of Wisdom seldom reaches us, for we are deafened by the raucous cries of the false prophets.

We have come to believe that energy is symbolised in shattering noise. We fail to grasp the fact that the greatest creative energy works in silence. We can hear the thunderclap; we are arrested by the mighty power of an earthquake; we appreciate the terrific forces unleashed in atomic explosions. But we do not hear, and fail to appreciate, the conquering strength of the silent spring that tip-toes through the meadow and transforms dead soil into living glory.

[Robert Heap in the April Number of the 'Psychology' explains about the still small voice.]

Noise is a characteristic of our century. The internal combustion engine exploded for ever the ancient peace of our country lanes and all the mechanical progress of the

last fifty years has been made to the accompaniment of noise.

But the advent of noisy machinery is not the greatest trouble that has befallen us. For, after all, should we desire it, noise could be minimised and controlled. It is our acceptance of noise as part of our daily life that is our greatest error. We have become acclimatised to noise—so much so that we seldom want to escape it. Noise has become almost essential to our existence. Yet we can still find areas of quietness and in our hectic existence; it is still possible to find an oasis of silence in the throbbing desert of modern machine-dominated life.

But use of the silence has fallen into neglect. We seem to like noise better than silence. We seem to know better how to talk than how to listen. We seem so concerned with everybody's affairs that we overlook the importance of silent contemplation.

The majority of men and women have almost come to fear the silences. For them, silence spells loneliness; they have not the courage to break through the barrier of silence and adventure into communion.

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**Treasure These Thoughts**

*From adger comes delusion, and from delusion loss of memory. From loss of memory comes the ruin of discrimination, and from the ruin of discrimination one perishes.*

—BHAGAVADGITA.

**COLLECTIVE CORRUPTION**

THE LEGACY LEFT BY THE last war to the unfortunate world that, by the skin of its teeth, had managed to survive the incidence of atomic atrocity is what may be termed collective corruption in both individuals and institutions. Human conscience has been forced to abdicate its rightful throne in favour of the pretender, brutish mentality. No Government, not even that based on the purest pattern of socialist democracy however manned and piloted by the ablest and noblest of statesmen can be expected to conduct its administration without encountering the open challenge of the hydra-headed monster of corruption. Those seven officers who have now paid the penalty for having prostituted their sacred duty as public servants in exchange for despicable lucre as a result of the Kenneman investigations are not the only miscreants who have brought the Public Service into disrepute and ignominy. There are yet on the move inside the Public Service officers who are in earnest about enriching themselves with ill-gotten money at the expense of the nation's honour and their conscience. It has to be admitted that greasing the itching palm of officers has come to be regarded by many as a matter of a necessary evil sanctified by sufferance and practice. Even if the public officer should show apathy and indifference to the artful business-man the latter would use more and better methods of temptations to trap the former.

The punishment for corrupt acts in public life should be so deterrent as to make those in this treacherous trade feel nervous about their actions every moment. It should not be left to a periodically appointed Commission to unearth such illegal doings allowing much time and convenience for wrong-doers to manipulate their movements and make adjustments. The Head of each Department should function as a Commissioner and should set up his own machinery not so much to secure punishment of wrong-doers but as to work for the prevention of fraudulent acts. The Department

**THE DIPLOMACY OF DICTATORS**

(By DEVERE ALLEN)

ALL Dictators have one thing in common—their belief that everybody is stupid. This is a species of inverted mentality that can be seen in all totalitarian states. You can find beautiful illustrations of it in as widely separated capitals as Moscow and Buenos Aires.

President Juan Peron asserted recently in a radio recording, to be broadcast later in Brazil, that the Argentine press is "absolutely free." Yet in few lands has there been such a continuous and widespread persecution of newspapers and magazines. At least eight papers have been put out of business altogether except for occasional underground editions or copies printed abroad. These suppressed journals vary all the way from Communist publications at one extreme to conservative financial papers at the other.

Nothing original has been discovered by Peron in the way of repressive techniques. Sometimes the police just descend on a paper and close its offices. At other times, mobs are sent out to smash printing presses. And borrowing a trick from Russia, Peron has put the squeeze on his largest and most worrisome opposition papers, such as *La Prensa*, by denying them permits to import newsprint stock, or reducing their supply. But he is not disturbed by this record, and brazenly refers to the press as "free."

**Turning Tables**

The same tendency to call things by their opposites is manifested perhaps even more frequently in the Soviet Union. On practically the same day Peron was making his absurd pronouncement in Argentina, the Soviet organ, *Pravda*, was saying: "The Union has firmly and consistently carried out, and is carrying out, a course toward the establishment of peaceful relations with all states."

How much reality is there in this sort of comment? You can

of the Commissioner of Motor Transport has exposed itself to public contempt by the perverse acts of its officers. The Minister in charge should set about immediately on the task of cleansing the Augean Stables in order to allay the misgivings in the public mind. Short-term plans and excursions of Ministers of State to world conferences may be necessary and useful to build up the economic edifice of Sri Lanka but a permanent plan to eradicate the evil of public men and public officers taking illegal gratification in any form and to instil into the minds of those engaged in public work either for pay or service the significance of moral values and ethical conduct is an immediate necessity if this Island nation should aspire to be a useful member of the world.

find out by reading regularly such official Moscow papers as *New Times*, which voices the views of the Politburo, and which is sent by air mail all over the world in many languages. You don't even need to plow through a file; just take a recent single issue; for example, that of March 15th. Concerning Yugoslavia you would not meet "peaceful realisations," but here is the language used: "Hangman Tito's fascist clique attempts to conceal from the world the unbridled reign of terror it has unleashed... No support from British and American imperialism will save the Belgrade pack of spies and assassins."

**Biased View of India**

Toward India, which Russian policy regards as crucial, *New Times* is hardly the voice of friendship. "The ruling classes of India," it says in commenting on the adoption of the new Indian constitution, "stinted neither money nor effort to give the ceremonies the semblance of popular movement, they hope to hoodwink the Indian people." Of the constitution itself, *New Times* asserts, "All progressive mass organizations in India have declared their opposition to it." Which is, of course, sheer fantasy.

Few individuals of any prominence escape Russia's official scorn. This time, Pearl Buck comes in for it. The eminent writer followed "the patterns of official American imperialist propaganda" and indulged in "gross and unintelligent calumnies." Because she has failed to take the Communist line, she has "sold her pen to the imperialist oppressors of China." "As a result, she meets with total bankruptcy—political, literary and moral."

The British election was nothing but a plot as seen from Moscow. *New Times* says the "guilt" separating Labour and Conservatives is only propaganda "to camouflage the backstage reactionary coalition between the Labour leaders and Churchill's party."

In short everybody's out of step but us. The technique of the dictators, unbelievably blind and blundering as it seems, is almost uniformly the same. "Let's be friends you rat." *Worldover Press*.

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Acting on the findings of the Bribery Commission, the Public Service Commission has ordered the dismissal of seven officers, five of whom are in the Department of Motor Transport, one in the Government Printing Department and the other in the Land Development Department.

The charges against two others do not seem to the P. S. C. to be sufficiently strong to warrant any disciplinary action.

**WAYSIDE WHISPER**

(By Rover Nyx)

**W. H. O. For Whom?**

Speaking at the Third World Assembly of the W. H. O. in Geneva Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, the Vice President of the organisation regretted that the W. H. O.'s finance had given them grave cause for anxiety. It is welcome relief to note that the grave cause for anxiety given by the deterioration in the standard of health of the people of the world has been eclipsed by the graver cause for anxiety regarding the malnutrition that is impeding the growth of the financial position of the organisation.

To discover this great truth and to proclaim it to the world it has cost the W. H. O. a colossal expenditure—yet another cause for not anxiety but alarm—Words may be wasted in these world organisations without loss to anybody but the throwing away of hard cash no one can bear with any ease of mind.

**Cabinet Self-Sufficiency**

"We have to import two-thirds of our food from Burma, India and Australia. We want to become self-sufficient said Mr. J. R. Jayawardena, Finance Minister, when he arrived in Sydney leading the Ceylon Delegation to the Commonwealth Conference. The Finance Minister has been juggling with trade return figures for the last two years in an all out effort to reduce the import of food-stuffs but in vain. The Pacific Border may prove congenial to the purpose of clear-thinking and help the embarrassed financier evolve a Sydney Plan for Sri Lanka's self-sufficiency.

The efforts made by this enterprising statesman to bring about self-sufficiency in the National Language Problem are matter of recent history. His contribution to the task of making the Sri Lanka Cabinet self-sufficient also has been conspicuous—Let us wait for results.

**Physician Heal Thyself!**

The Commissioner of Motor Transport Mr. N. Moonesinghe was warned and discharged by the Awwisawella Magistrate for having used his car on April 6 without a licence for the current year and without a valid certificate of insurance. And this is a charge which daily enriches the revenue by large amounts of money recovered as fines imposed in the Magistrates Courts of the Island. The dictum 'king does no wrong' seems to have been applied in this instance to the Departmental Head. They who make regulations do so evidently for all save themselves to follow them. When gold rusts iron cannot be blamed.

**Another Hitler Hoax**

Bornmann the missing heir to the leadership of the Nazi Party is reported to have said "Hitler is alive in a Tibetan monastery and he is not alone. Many have succeeded in getting there; we are working for the same aim. We shall not give up our fight as long as we live. And if we die others will take our place. We are not alone; all over the world revolution is fermenting; one day it will burn at all corners and world facism will win."

Whatever it may be there need be no fear of the German Hitler. But the Hitler in Stalin is he who creates consternation in the world now.

**Letters to the Editor**



**Tha Illegal Barricade of the Jaffna District**

Sir,—Ceylon is now enjoying full freedom in international affairs. But under the benumbing influence of long subjection to alien powers the people have grown accustomed to accepting the evils of unjust government practices with resignation. A reconsideration of the rationale of these practices will lead to improvement. Indeed under democracy, the voters are the masters and their education on a desired reform is a duty cast on those who wish to create public opinion on any particular matter. Here I invite attention to one such practice—the Excise barrier at Elephant Pass.

Many years back I noted the peculiar uniqueness and oddity of a search of all persons and their property when crossing the Elephant Pass by rail or road. One gathered that the check was a search for opium. Elephant Pass was fixed on by the Excise Department because the road way and the railway here were the only links with the rest of Ceylon. I have felt that the examination of every traveller on the gratuitous assumption, that every person or vehicle was a carrier of opium, was something improper and hurtful to the self-respect of law-abiding citizens. This crude interference with all movement by rail or road and out of and into the Jaffna District appears to be an encroachment on the right of the citizens to the use of the King's highway in the course of their normal avocations and the fundamental right of equality before the law.

By this officious parade of aimless inspection under cover of government authority, the Excise officials screen their inefficiency at detecting movements of opium where they are not in league with the smugglers. However this exhibition of zeal by the Excise Department was so flagrantly offensive that one wondered whether it was supported by law though it was indulged in by the Government. In this connection it is worthy of note that nowhere else in Ceylon is such a varied barricade against the freedom of movement within Ceylon and a wanton search of all people and all vehicles on the assumption of universal suspicion being carried on for decades without a break and without protest.

Whatever the position was before the inauguration of the present constitution on February 4th 1948, this unique excise barrier is an unjust humiliation of a whole district and is definitely discriminatory against a section of the people and therefore an offence against the constitution. The erection of a customs barrier or a military or police cordon between separate states is an established practice. But the operation of an excise or police blockade of a district and the rest of the country is something novel and definitely illegal and unconstitutional. The people so treated are Tamils and a minority should put this government on their honour and on

**Prosperity—But In The Proper Way**

"Wealth and rank are what men desire, but unless they be obtained in the right way they may not be possessed. Poverty and obscurity are what men detest; but unless prosperity be brought in the right way, they are not to be abandoned. If a man of honour forsake virtue how is he to fulfil the obligations of his name? A man of honour never disregards virtue, even for the space of a single meal. In moments of haste he cleaves to it; in seasons of peril he cleaves to it."

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guard against the charge of discrimination against a section of the Tamil minority community. This has gone on far too long.

Yours etc,  
P. N. THIRUNAVUKARASU,

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Columbathurai,  
Jaffna.

**Rigid Orthodoxy a— Menace to the future of Hinduism**

Sir,—The Parliamentary Committee on Hindu Temples and Temporalities had its sittings in various parts of the Island, and the report is about to be published. When the Committee had its sittings, considerable agitation was created by interested persons against the entry of the so called untouchables into temples. The Hindus in Ceylon do not seem to realise, that they are far behind the times. In India, where Hinduism exists in far purer form and where there are great authorities on Hindu philosophy and religion, all the great temples had been thrown open to all Hindus irrespective of caste.

Ceylon seems to wish, that it should remain a sort of museum piece in the matter of Hindu Social Customs. The Hindus in Ceylon do not realise the danger that is confronting their religion, by denying admission to these temples of the so called untouchables.

Before Dr. Ambedkar joined the Indian Congress Government he was agitating very much against the caste tyranny of high caste Hindus. On his advice at Nagpur, in one day alone 30,000 harijans embraced Islam. With the spread of education in the modern world, the so called untouchables would not brooke the insult and humiliation that are offered to them by the high caste Hindus. In their bitter resentment and anger they might embrace other faith and worse they might become communists. Caste Hindu orthodoxy does not realise that it is placing the Hindu religion in great danger. It is hoped that the caste Hindus of Ceylon would think of the danger that is confronting their religion and mend their ways, by giving equality of opportunity for worship to all Hindus irrespective of caste.

Yours etc,  
S. VIDYALINGAM,  
Tholpuram,  
8th May, 1950.

# In Contemplation's Sober Eye

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nion with that which lies beyond.

When Man withdraws into the silence, he cuts off his contact with his fellow man, loses touch with the familiar and the known, and is left absolutely alone, to see himself as he truly is and stand face to face with the Infinite. And, in our age, so many men and women appear to be afraid to meet themselves, and fear to meet the question mark of the Cosmos, more dreadfully than they fear calamity.

For the silence shatters our illusions about the self and shows us up for what we really are. In the silence we have to meet the challenge of the Infinite, must face the question of the purpose of our lives and respond to the challenge Destiny. Yet we shall not know the full life until we have adventured through the silence into communion with the Eternal Mind.

## A Source of Strength

How often are we really withdrawn, even for a few moments, from the nagging preoccupations of everyday things? How often do we escape from the toils of earth-bound existence, so that we can look at the clear, inspiring majesty of the heavens? How often do we retreat from the rush and bustle of everyday life to look with a more detached view upon the struggle, to see clearly the terrain upon which life's battle is fought, to behold anew the citadel for which we are battling?

Isn't it true that we are often like maggots in an apple? We know quite a lot about the inside of the apple, but can rarely escape from what is virtually our prison, to view it from the outside. Are we content with a 'maggot-like' existence? If not, the questions asked in the preceding paragraph are important.

Do we ever escape into the sanctuary, withdraw into ourselves and establish communion with the Infinite Consciousness? Unless we do, life lacks meaning, purpose, drive and inspiration.

Let us think about this carefully! Entering the Silence is not a mere matter of sitting in our armchairs by the fire, with the wireless tuned low and lips sealed for half an hour or so. What happens at such times? Though the room may be quiet, we have not yet done with the little cares of every day. Our fancies weave around the hopes and anxieties, the joys and fears of daily existence. The sounds of routine life are muted, but we are still attached—though by a weaker link than usual—to the frets of ordinary life. **Positive Act**

To enter into the Silence, to establish communion with the Universal Mind is a positive act. It is not a case of

relaxing and indulging in scattered thoughts or in aimless day-dreams. It is a vigorous striving to reach a height above our ordinary everyday selves, with an eager, expectant mind reaching out towards a richer mode of being.

Only those who have experienced the invigorating, revitalising effect of quiet contemplation can describe the new meaning, the reawakened purpose, the fresh strength and courage that is born of communion with the Infinite. Yet, why is it that so many people say they have no time to spare from the crowded hours and crowded places to go apart and enter into the Silence that they may become imbued with the peace and power of the Infinite Mind? Since the benefits of seeking communion with the Universal Mind are so great, since entering the Silence and listening to the "still, small voice" can give such vision, strength and inspiration, why do so many men and women neglect or shun the adventure?

It was never easy for mortal Man to realise the presence of the Infinite Mind in his daily life and it is not easy for millions of people today. For where is the assurance that we can contact this Invisible Power? How do we know that it is the "still, small voice" speaking to us? We know it in the same way as we know when we are happy or hungry—we feel it. There is no other way. All too often we are so much in bondage to the senses, to material things, to the sense-induced thinking of the Conscious Mind, that it is difficult for us to grasp this great truth. We live so exclusively in the material world that we fail to contact the God-power within. The "still, small voice" is lost in the confusing and distracting noises of mere sense impressions.

There is nothing mystical about all this, nor is it mere asceticism. We should learn to function adequately in the world of material and sense values, but withdraw at times to the inner realities.

## New Vision of Life

By withdrawing into the Silence, we can learn to overcome the weaknesses and limitations of ordinary experience; learn how to taste the joys of a more successful way of living. Through communion with the Infinite Intelligence, we can draw upon an illimitable fount of strength and power, find a new vision of life that will inspire us to splendid endeavour, wisdom that will guide us along the road to happiness, and the power to transform the weak, hesitant, timid and fearful self into a greater, all-conquering self that will carve out a truly satisfying life.

This is the treasure trove we can all find in the silence

## Tiruketheeshvaram Temple Restoration Society

Under the auspices of the Tiruketheeshvaram Temple Restoration Society, Sri P. Samarapuri Mudaliyar of Madras, Vidwan of the Dharmapuram Mutt delivered a lecture on "Worship of God" on Wednesday 3rd May 1950 at 6-30 P. M. at the Old Kathiresan Temple, Bambalapitiya. Mr. K. V. S. Sandaram, one of the Vice-Presidents of the Society presided. The lecturer dwelt on the nature of God and Soul and the relationship between the two; he also spoke of the greatness of God and the limited intelligence of the soul and stressed the need for worship in order to rid the soul of its bondage. The learned lecturer quoted extensively from the devotional hymns of the Saiva saints to illustrate the points mentioned by him. Pundit A. Sitampalam thanked the lecturer on behalf of the Society.

Sri Samarapuri Mudaliyar has gone on a pilgrimage to Tirukonamalai, one of the 'Padalpetta Sthalams' of Ceylon and will go from there to Tiruketheeshvaram.

In addition to the restoration and maintenance of Tiruketheeshvaram and its temporalities, the Temple Restoration Society aims at propagating and promoting the Saiva religion; in order to achieve this aim the Society has been arranging lectures on religious topics from time to time under its auspices.

## Committee Meeting

A meeting of the General Committee of the Tiruketheeshvaram Temple Restoration Society was held recently at the old Kathiresan Temple, Bambalapitiya with Mr. K. Kanagaratnam, M. P., one of the Vice-presidents of the Society in the chair. The Committee decided to recommend certain amendments to the rules regarding subscription, quorum, and appointment of members to the General and Working Committees. It was further decided to hold a Special General meeting of the Society on Thursday 18th May 1950 for the consideration of the suggested amendments at the Old Kathiresan Temple, Bambalapitiya at 6.30 P. M.

of contemplation. Happiness and achievement await us if we will make contact with the Mind beyond mind. We can contact the wisdom and experience of the Great Creative Intelligence that planned and still sustains the Universe; we can draw unto ourselves sufficient of this creative energy to transform our lives.

So far, we may have grappled with life with our own puny resources. We may have been fighting adversity with our own unaided powers largely with the physical energy of the body and the mental energy of our Conscious Minds. But if we seek communion with the Infinite, our horizon is indefinitely extended, we have a vision of what life can be, we have the power, the inspiration and the knowledge to become what we want to become.

With all this at stake, why do so many people still hesitate? With so much to gain, why do they still hold back? Many may be sceptical of the claims made, but they can at least put the matter to the test.

## The Three-Fold Pilgrimage Of Life

Life is a pilgrimage, but the pilgrim is more important than the road he travels. It is largely true to say that he carries his destination with him in his own heart.

Consider the story of the three pilgrims setting out to reach the Shining City.

One, seeing the Shining City far off across the desert, called Difficulty, sets out with high hopes. But presently, he finds there is no road; that he must make his own path by his own endeavours. Unexpected difficulties arise, his spirit droops, his footsteps flag, his heart becomes heavy, his resolution wavers.

Night comes, and blots out the vision that inspired him. He is lost, without hope, without the courage to carry on.

The second pilgrim, similarly starts off in high hope to reach the City before nightfall. But, though he is strong, he starts out with a grudge in his heart, feeling that there should be a broad highway leading to the Magic City. With each difficulty he encounters, grudge within him grows,

Presently, he sits down and consoles himself with dreams of the rest and luxury that await him at his destination. But darkness descends, and he is still in the desert.

With the dark, comes the terrible realisation that he has failed again, that he has deluded himself with dreams when he should have devoted his time to effort.

He has failed, through making make-believe a substitute for effort, just as his predecessor failed through mistaking a wish for will.

The third pilgrim sets out resolutely, with a reserve of cour-

## ORDER NISI IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1161

In the matter of the estate of the late Murugesu Sabapathippillai of Tholpuram Deceased. Meenambikaiammah widow of Murugesu Sabapathippillai of Tholpuram Petitioner.

Vs. 1 Kalawathy daughter of Murugesu Sabapathippillai 2 Kanapathiar Murugesu both of Tholpuram Respondents.

This matter coming on for final disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna, on the 10th day of March 1950 in the presence of Mr. P. Canapathy Pillay, proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 15th day of February 1950 having been read.

It is ordered that the 2nd respondent be and he is hereby appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minor the 1st respondent for the purpose of these proceedings and that Letters of Administration be issued to the petitioner as the widow of the deceased, unless the respondents or any other persons shall on or before the 19th day of May 1950 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 15th day of March 1950 Sgd R. R. SELVADURAI District Judge. (O. 12 & 16)

## Afrikaan Social Worker Embraces Hinduism

Mrs. Alva Redmond, an Afrikaan (Dutch), has adopted Hinduism at a religious ceremony, held by the Hindu Missionary Society in Bombay.

Mrs. Redmond who will be known as Mrs. Amala, the Hindu name given to her by the Society, is a social worker with her headquarters at

## Third World War?

President Truman said that next few months would determine whether there would be a third World War.

The President told a railroad station crowd at Calesburg (Illinois) that if the isolationists had their way, there would be another war.

The President said it depended on the decisions which the United States took in the next few months, in its relations with the rest of the world.

Telegaon near Poona. She told PTI that she has been a student of Eastern philosophy of the Bhagvat Gita and other Hindu scriptures.

Mrs. Amala said she came to India about a year ago "with the intention of becoming a Hindu in order to get a complete idea of the practical side of what I have been studying all these years".

She proposes to stay "if India would allow me to continue the social work I have been carrying on at Telegaon".

## Our Astrological Feature

# WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRIPATY"

FROM 14TH MAY TO 20TH MAY 1950

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

This week will be a time of renewed mental energy and hope. Steady progress in your undertakings shown. Petty health troubles may annoy you a bit but do not worry as improvements promised end of week.

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

Be careful to whom you entrust money or how you lend and borrow. Family relationships and links with friends under difficult planets. Lie low and keep your temper under control for some time.

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

A good week for new undertakings. You can hardly go wrong in financial matters. New friendships with the opposite sex will not be very happy.

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

Try to avoid family reshuffle this week. It would be well to attend to any important matters yourself and not to place faith in very well tried friends. Don't be quick to pick up quarrels.

**LEO** *Maha, Poora, Uttira 1, 2*—[Singha Rasi]

The first day of the week will be somewhat disappointing. But improvements should occur later. Strangers will help you to get a good income. Some anxiety over family affairs indicated week end.

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

Difficulties will arise over unfulfilled promise. Some danger of being involved in some complicated deal Monday or Tuesday. Things will improve later; any how not a very outstanding week.

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

Health worries and petty official troubles shown this week. But nothing will be of a serious nature. Financial prospects good but expenditure also will be on the rise. Wednesday Thursday and Friday must be spent with care.

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

Your personal life will run a curious course this week. As far as possible avoid tussles with friends and relatives; week end must be spent with care. Even accidents not ruled out.

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

Opposition that you have been facing for the last few months will melt away this week. Health also should improve. But no substantial progress in profession or business shown.

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

Somewhat strenuous week but financial luck promised. New ventures should bring in the desired results. Ruin to enemies and fame indicated.

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

A good week for doing creative work. If you have any interest in literature, music or science this will be your outstanding week for beginning research in earnest. Take steps towards future prosperity.

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

Benefits through the family promised this week. You will stand to gain through some property deal also. New schemes likely to develop as you wish. Take care of health week end.

# Place Names In E. P. IV

By A. V. M.

HERE we have a few more names. *Sangamankandimuni* is the most easterly point of Ceylon. This is between Tirukoil and Portuvil and a dangerous spot where in days past, many a ship either ran aground or dashed against the rocks here. Tradition says that a ship carrying a princess was wrecked off this coast and eventually the princess and a few others who were saved, became the inhabitants of the 'Munai'. The princess was made queen.

*Arugambay*—During the time of the Dutch this was much parrotized and paddy, tea and copra were exported to India and other places from this bay.

*Batticaloa*, is now known among the pandits as 'உடசை' but its derivation is diagonally opposed to what 'உடசை' literally means. The raised fringes of the coastal regions allow the sea water to enter and form what is known as a 'சாறு'—And 'Mada' meaning muddy—which is appropriately so, has nothing to do with 'உடசை'. Even among the Sinhalese this town has been known as such from the time of the Mahawansa. Any spot in the lagoon will be found to be deep seated in mud! In this lagoon, close to the Kalladi bridge we could hear the singing fish on very clear moonlit nights. Some are of opinion that a kind of hard-shelled snail makes this noise while others say it is a kind of oyster. The fishermen call it 'உடசை'—I have heard the same sound in the Kalpitya lagoon also.

There are three villages famous for their piety and devotion to Koneshwaram temple. Kilivetti (Kiripattiy) supplied milk, Mallihaitivu supplied jasmine flowers and Mangalarpadi supplied the decorations for the festivals at this temple. This was a daily occurrence in those days.

The most thickly populated area in E. P. is Kattankudi which is 4 miles from town. This is essentially a Muslim area.

*Amirthagali*—The historical hanuman, after setting fire to Kavana's palace with the flames on his tail, ran to Amirthagali to dip it in the pool of water there. This is about 2 miles on the main road.

*Karaitivu* is 2 miles to the South of Kalamunai and is supposed to derive its name from 'கரையிடு' 'கர' = sea. The erudite scholar Swami Vipulananda is a native of this place. There is a temple in his name.

*Palugamam* has a temple dedicated to the Pandavas. This was for some time the seat of the puisne rulers of E. P. when Kandy was the seat of the King.

*Kallor* was the former sea port on the east. There are the ruins of a Dutch fort. And Periakallor is adjoining this village. We find the largest number of teachers in E. P., coming from this area.

*Nadukadu*—Once a fertile region, is in the ruins now. In the jungles are several rock cut caves, perhaps dwelling places of Buddhist monks in ancient times.

*Thambiluvil* There is an ancient temple to Kannakai. It appears that she came away from Sitawaka and married here and settled down here. This is confused tradition!

*S. thnikondan*—This takes the name after a feud between the

Timilar and Mukuwas in which the chief of the Timilar was killed.

*Panichankeni*—This supplied salt to the district in olden days. This was the seat of a wannicute and her palace is now in ruins in the jungles. The Vannaty bridge 'வண்ணத்தி யாறு' now in ruins led to this palace.

*Seruvil* This is an ancient Buddhist shrine on the eastern coast of the island in the Trincomalee district. Pilgrims have to branch off at Topur from the main road to go to this temple. It is told that the skull of the Buddha is enshrined in this stupa. The ruins round about the temple appear to be as old as the Polonnaruwa period.

The study of place names connected with their history is both interesting and instructive, but what is most essential is leisure!

### ORDER NISI

#### DECLARING WILL PROVED

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1056

Visuvalingam Arumugam of Kandamadam Jaffna Petitioner  
Vs.

1. Arumugam Muthukumarasamy
2. Arumugam Saravanabavanandan
3. Parameswary daughter of Arumugam all of Kandamadam Jaffna
4. Sinnappah Arumugam of Suthumalai Respondents

In the matter of the last will and testament of Chellammah wife of Visuvalingam Arumugam deceased of Kandamadam Jaffna.

This matter coming on for disposal before T. Muttusamy Pillai Esqr Acting District Judge Jaffna on the 23rd of June 1949 in the presence of Advocate A. R. Subramaniam instructed by V. Sivasubramaniam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the abovementioned petitioner dated 27th May 1949 and the affidavit of the Notary and the witness dated 7th June 1949 having been read and the evidence of the petitioner and the witness having been taken and all parties heard.

It is ordered that the joint and mutual will of Visuvalingam Arumugam and wife Chellammah of 6th September 1926 bearing No. 859 and attested by D. S. Kandiah Notary Public be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before 27th June 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said Sinnappah Arumugam the 4th respondent be appointed Guardian ad Litem over the 2nd and 3rd respondents and that the said Visuvalingam Arumugam petitioner is the executor named in the said will and that he is entitled to have probate of the same issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or others shall on or before 27th June 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

The 23rd day of June 1949.

Sgd. T. Muttusamy Pillai, Actg; District Judge.

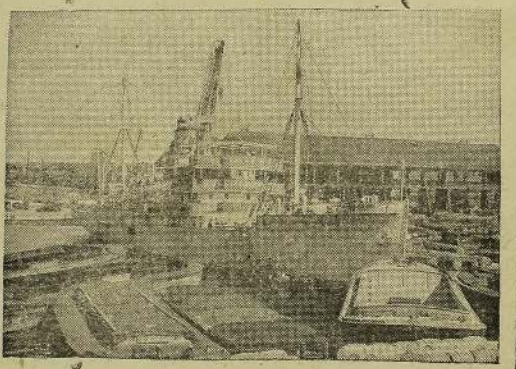
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Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai, District Judge. (O 18 & 16)

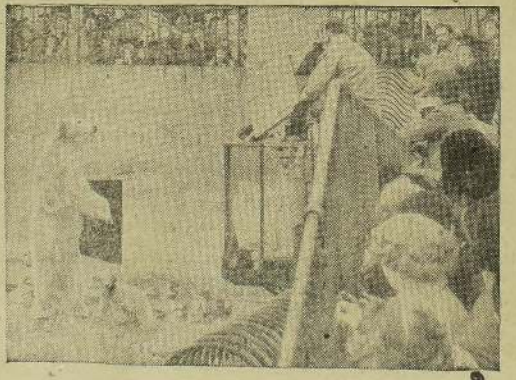
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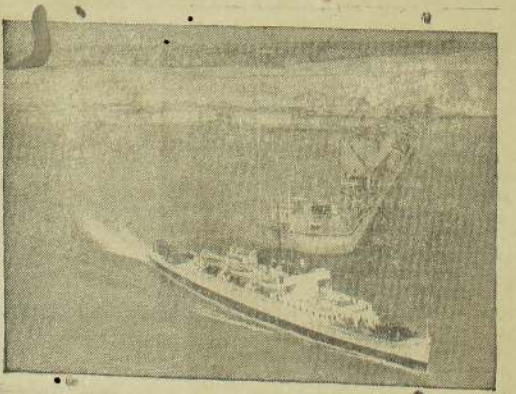
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### ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 1158

In the matter of the intestate estate and effects of Sithamparapillai Ponnambalam of Vannarponnai East, Jaffna

Deceased. Rasammah widow of Ponnambalam of Vannarponnai East, Jaffna

Vs. Petitioner.

- 1 Ponnambalam Mylvaganam
- 2 Nallanayaki daughter of Ponnambalam
- 3 Sivarajah son of Ponnambalam all of Vannarponnai East affina
- 4 Kammany daughter of Ponnambalam all of Vannarponnai East, Jaffna
- 5 Vadivalaki daughter of Coomaraswamy
- 6 Sita Devi daughter of Coomaraswamy
- 7 Sarada Devi daughter of Coomaraswamy
- 8 Sivanpackiam widow of Coomaraswamy all of 7th Mile Post, Changunai
- 9 Sri Kandarahaj son of Shanmuganathan
- 10 Tharmarani daughter of Shanmuganathan
- 11 Manonmani widow of Shanmuganathan all of Araly East, Vaddukodai Respondents

This matter coming on for dis-

posal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr. District Judge, Jaffna on the 6th day of March 1950 in the presence of Mr. R. Sivasubramaniam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner filed of record having been read:

It is ordered that the abovenamed 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the 2nd 3rd and 4th respondent minors, the 8th respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the 5th 6th and 7th respondent minors and the 11th respondent be appointed guardian ad litem over the 9th and 10th respondent minors and that the petitioner abovenamed be declared entitled to have Letters of Administration over the estate of the deceased and the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or others shall on or before the 18th day of May 1950 show sufficient cause to the contrary to the satisfaction of this Court.

It is further ordered that the 1st 8th and 11th respondents do produce the respective minors in Court on the said date.

This 6th day of March 1950

Sgd. R. R. SELVADURAI, District Judge Jaffna.

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