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UNITY IS LIFE DIVERSITY IS FALSEHOOD

BY SWAMI SIVANANDA

TRUTH is One. Unity is life. Diversity or the perception of many diversified beings here is falsehood. It leads to disharmony, dissension and ruin.

The Jiva or the individual being is deluded into the perception of the multiple on account of the separatist tendency of the ego which builds its own prison-house and distinguishes itself from its own reflections in other species of creation, which divide, particularise and multiply the One into the Many. This is the cause of all the misery, bondage and endless suffering. One who transcends this Maya enjoys the Bliss of the realization of the Sat-chit-ananda Atman, that Bhuma which is the only Happiness.

Constant meditation on the one Essence of Reality, the underlying Unity of Existences, destroys ignorance; with the destruction of ignorance, the individualistic ego vanishes and a direct perception or realization of the One is obtained. That is the end, aim and goal of every human being; towards that goal is the entire universe (all objects both animate

and inanimate) moving. Even actually this multiplicity will evolve again into that Unity. All that we can do, and ought to do, is to hasten that evolution in our individual cases by Yogabhyasa, by constant meditation on that Unity, by realising that Unity and putting that Unity into our every-day life.

What a glorious land is India that has held in its bosom this priceless treasure, the message of unity? What a glorious land is Hind that has given birth to countless sages and seers who negated their little self, transcended nature and her laws, peeped into the Beyond, perceived nay, realised the Truth or Unity, and have left for the enlightenment of humanity this lamp of wisdom—Unity. Glory to Mother India and Her illustrious sons!

Scientists Baffled

Even the West is unconsciously being led along by the Western materialistic scientists and psychologists towards the realms of this Truth. Scientific researches have sometimes yielded clues which have baffled the true, sincere and guileless scientists; some of them have confessed the insufficiency of their science to go beyond certain limited spheres. Even they have almost stumbled over the threshold of Truth when they discovered that the entire material creation was one mass of electrons revolving round one another at an incredible speed which produce the different forms and the animate and the inanimate objects. This is in itself a faint shadow of the Great Truth, a glow representing one ray of the Reality, or the 'reflection of the moon in the mirror held in the hand. To expect that Reality to be discovered through the medium of material science is however, to ask for the moon.

Humanity is moving slowly but surely towards this Unity. Even the recent inventions of science prove this. The Radio, Telephone, Television, electricity and the aeroplane, a tendency towards intermingling of peoples—these are all external indications of this inner urge in men to unite. There is only one key that can unlock the door which opens into Truth—Intuition and transcendental Experience. Some of the Western scientists, psychologists and philosophers have great powers of concentrating their minds. They should direct this energy towards the annihilation of the mind itself; negate the little assertive ego; transcend reason; they will then come face to face with that eternal, Transcendental, Pure, Blissful Truth or Unity or Sat-Chit-Ananda.

The True Science of Sciences

Materialism and the rapid advance of secular science cannot

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P. M. G. Opens Sub-Post Office At Kondavil

"Mr. Ignatius Perera is before us as a symbol of an enterprising, ever enthusiastic and energetic Officer who by his sheer skill and outstanding merit deserved this unique and honourable post as Post Master General of Ceylon," said Mr. P. Nadesan, proposing a vote of thanks to him at the opening of the Sub-Post Office at Kondavil.

In the absence of the Hon. the Minister Mr. C. Sittampalam the Postmaster-General opened the Sub-Post Office at Kondavil on Tuesday the 8th, February at 4.30 p.m.

Mr. C. Vanniasingham M.P. and the P. M. G. bought independence stamps at the opening. Mr. N. K. R. Jasingham posted the first letter into the letter box.

Then a garden party followed and the visitors and the guests were entertained with refreshments and tea.

A public meeting was held with Mr. C. Vanniasingham in the chair.

He paid glowing tributes to the Post Master General for the signal services he has rendered to Ceylon as P. M. G. and said that when he and the Member for Kankesanthurai were fighting for the selection of sites between Kondavil and Inuvil he (the P.M.G. Mr. Perera) solved the problem by giving two Sub Post Offices one for Kondavil and the other for Inuvil. He was singularly lucky to get the Sub-Post Office opened at Kondavil first. He further announced that he fought a battle and after lot of pressure he managed to get an up-to-date Railway Station for Kondavil.

Then Mr. S. Navaratnam, Secretary of the reception committee stressed the necessity to convert the B grade Sub Post Office into an A grade one. He further said that the present sub-Post Office will be a handicap to the residents of the area who are flourishing and leading business magnets of Jaffna.

The Post Master General Mr. Ignatius Perera thanked the residents of Kondavil for the reception given to him and congratulated the residents of Kondavil for selecting an enthusiastic and energetic Member as their representative in Parliament. He said that Mr. Vanniasingham was always pressing him to supply adequate postal facilities for his constituency. He appealed to the residents to patronise the sub Post Office and give adequate work to the Office which may in course of time justify him to make an A grade Office. He brought it to the notice of the audience that the Minister has already made an order to give priority to Hospitals, Dispensaries and Sub Post Offices with regard to supply of Telephones. He assured to render all help to residents of Kondavil to raise the Sub Post Office into an A grade one.

Then Mr. P. Nadesan proposed a vote of thanks to the distinguished guests and the P. M. G.

A Great Day At Thirukettheesvaram

The New Moon Day of Thai was a great day for the Saivites of Ceylon. This day marks a stage in the restoration of Thirukettheesvaram one of Ceylon's most ancient shrines. More than a thousand pilgrims assembled at the sacred spot on the occasion.

The sacred images of Thirukettheesvaranathar and Gouri Ammayar were taken out in procession from the temple to the bank of the sacred Palavi; the crowd of devotees that followed sang devotional hymns, after the usual ceremonies hundred of devotees plunged into the Palavi with great devotion amidst shouts of ecstasy. It was indeed a very inspiring and holy sight. There was special poojah at the temple along with recital of devotional songs.

At noon the devotees were all led by Eelathu Sivanadiyar Thirukkooodam at the Madam recently constructed by the Thirukettheesvaram Temple Restoration Society for the convenience of pilgrims. The Madam is known as Thirugnanassambanthaspathi Nayanar Madam. In connection with the opening ceremony of this Madam there was a public meeting held in the outer hall of the temple. Addresses were delivered by Mr. S. S. Shivapadasundaram, President of the Temple Restoration Society, Mr. K. Kanagaratnam, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education, Mr. K. Ramachandra Mudaliyar S. Sinnathambay, Messrs. S. Saravanamuttu, V. K. Chellappah, and the Chairman of the Village Committee of the Thirukettheesvaram area, a Muslim gentleman. The speakers stressed the necessity for the restoration of the shrine and made a fervent appeal for funds for carrying on the work. It was stated that a sum of at least ten lakhs of rupees would be required to complete the restoration work. Reference was also made to the invaluable services that had been rendered by Mr. Chellappah in connection with the construction of the Madam.

There was evidence of whole-hearted response from the devotees and many of them made token contributions on the spot.

Turf Club Robbery

Car with Four Suspects Traced

The Jaffna Police have traced a car with a "C. L." number with four suspects from the Southern Province in connection with the Turf Club robbery. One of the suspects, it is learned, is a reconvicted criminal from Tangalla. Further investigations are proceeding.

LATE NEWS

The Superintendent of Police, Colombo, when interviewed by a newspaper representative said, that the four persons arrested in Jaffna were bonafide pilgrims and had nothing to do with the robbery.

Plea For Indo-Pakistan Amity

By Muslim Educationist

PERSONALITIES that are truly representative become personifications of the character and tendencies inherent in their society, and to commemorate them is to remind society of these permanent and essential values which its life ought to express. Mahatma Gandhi was very different indeed from the average Indian. He was not created and conditioned by the circumstances of his time, like the rest of us. He was not moulded. He was a maker of moulds. And the pattern he followed was not one seen around us, but one whose outline we perceive if we look with understanding and imagination at what our life has been for many centuries past and if we are able to visualise what it might be and ought to be in the time to come.

It is never easy to understand a personality or to know its measure. Like windswept heights drawing towards themselves all that is stormy in nature, personalities seem to offer themselves as targets for the practice of all manner of criticism and misrepresentation, as if this were the surest means of removing misconceptions and revealing the truth about themselves. Mahatma Gandhi was all his life explaining his beliefs, his policies his reactions to events. It was a task that could not have been accomplished in less than a lifetime, even by a man with his energy. He consummated his work with a stupendous flash of self-revelation which dazzled the moral sense of the world, and brought tears to the eyes of the unbelieving. But the task of understanding him and his work will have to be continued, because all that he was and all that he lived for, will have to be interpreted afresh in the changing circumstances of life.

We may have the privilege of making the history of moral and social revolutions repeat itself if we grasp the essentials of Mahatma Gandhi's teaching and give expression to them in our political and social life.

Work in the Interest Of Masses

Asia is on the eve of great changes. Democracy has been accepted as the norm everywhere and its form are being adapted to suit conditions. These forms are elaborate, they are new. They should bring us freedom and ensure its maintenance, but there is the danger that might confine our spirit or dissipate our energies. Mahatma Gandhi ignored the forms of political democracy, but his principles and methods are the finest contemporary expression of the democratic spirit. He insisted that the benefit of the masses should be the primary objective of all political and social activity. His 'masses' were not a hypothetical maximum number, but the actual inhabitants of our villages; his idea of benefit was not vague philanthropy, but positive material

improvement in the standard of life. He did not live at a time when he could persuade or force the state to devote its resources mainly to the welfare of the villages; but even if he had this opportunity, he would have preferred to ask for the voluntary dedication of individuals and their resources to the service of the masses rather than move the government to use the means it had for achieving the same end. This is what makes his principles and methods most significant. Democracy is not so much a form of government as an attitude towards life, and it is only to citizens who fulfill the primary condition of thinking and working in the interests of the masses that democracy can prove of any value.

The principle of service was a corollary to another and higher principle. Mahatma Gandhi called it 'ahimsa' non violence. The traditional connotation of 'ahimsa' is abstinence from all that does injury to living beings, and implies a negative attitude. Mahatma Gandhi's ideal was

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Chunnakam forms a R. D. Society

A largely attended public meeting was held at the Chunnakam market on 5-2-49 Saturday at 6 p. m. presided by Mr. T. Balasanthiran, D. R. O. Vali Nori to consider the formation of a Rural Development Society for Chunnakam. The D. R. O. and R. D. O. Mr. Kumaraswamy explained the present Scheme of Rural Development and the benefits that would accrue as the result of inhabitants taking a keen interest in their own welfare. The A. S. P. K. K. S. spoke on Crime and its prevention.

Messrs. R. N. Sivaprakasam and C. S. Ponniah exhorted the people to work out their own salvation by banding themselves together and going forward unitedly. Mr. S. Sethukavaler also spoke. Froctor T. Kumarasamy J. P. was elected the President of the R. D. Society formed. Messrs. N. Kandiah Bramasree Karthigesu Aiyar and V. Swasubramaniam, Vice Principal Skanda Varodaya College were elected Vice-Presidents. Messrs. A. Nadarajah and A. Thambipillai were elected Joint Secretaries, Mr. K. Ambalavanar, Treasurer, Auditors Messrs. V. Marugesu and V. Aiyadurai. A committee of 31 including V. C. Members and the Headman of Chunnakam was also elected.

The meeting terminated at about 9 p. m.

Matrimonial

Shanmuganayagam—

Sivasubramaniam

The registration of the marriage of C. SHANMUGANAYAGAM, Advocate, son of Gate Mudaliyar and Mrs. N. Canaganavagam of Kandy and grandson of Adigar A-Naganather of Kopya, Jaffna, with VALLIAMMA, daughter of Mr. S. Sivasubramaniam, Proctor, and Mrs. Sivasubramaniam, of Colombo, took place recently. The ceremony was a quiet one. The religious rites will take place shortly.

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Treasure These Thoughts

It is contrary to our manhood, if we obey laws repugnant to our conscience. Such teaching is opposed to religion and means slavery.

—MAHATMA GANDHI

ROAD AND RAIL TRANSPORT

CERTAIN FUNDAMENTAL principles which ought to be weighed carefully in devising ways and means for the improvement of Road and Rail Transport in the Island have been set out in the first volume of Mr. Donald Rutnam's Report on Transport Conditions in Ceylon. Mr. Rutnam emphasises that co-ordination of the two forms of transport must be directed to the elimination of two great evils viz, unnecessary duplication of transport and wasteful competition; traffic would naturally flow along the particular channel of transport that suits it best; one form of transport has certain natural advantages over the other; road transport has flexibility, while transport by rail is cheap. The Report also refers to transport by air and water.

The Railway is owned and controlled in Ceylon by the State. Except during the war years losses were invariably sustained. At present, as a result of agitation by Railway employees and so called over time payments the losses sustained by the Railway are colossal. Mr. Rutnam has not failed or neglected to make mention of this matter in his report. Unless something is done to remedy the existing state of affairs regarding salaries of Railway Officers who draw amounts far in excess of their salaries on account of the fiction that they are performing duty during all the twenty-four hours of the day, the situation cannot improve. The operating costs of the Railway have increased from Rs. 19, 249, 106 in 1938/39 to

Rs. 67, 459, 287 in 1948/49. One of the methods suggested for balancing income and expenditure lies in increasing the third class Railway fare from 2½ cents a mile to 3 or 3½ cents a mile. The fare charged for motor omnibus transport is cts. 5 a mile. Under these circumstances the suggestion to increase the third class fare is justifiable.

So long as road transport is in the hands of private companies or individuals there is bound to be duplication of transport and wasteful competition. As the full text of the report has not been published we are not in a position to know what remedies will be suggested to prevent the two evils of duplication and wasteful competition. Nationalisation of motor transport will be the best remedy but it may not be possible at once for the State to monopolize motor transport. During the last two years almost every omnibus company sustained losses as a result of strikes, demand for higher wages and labour unrest. These companies perhaps failed to render a true account of the big profits they made during the war years; they were consequently ordered to pay heavy income tax assessed on the basis of petrol consumed by them; it may not be possible for these companies to stand the strain much longer and most of them have come to a stage when they like to part with their trade; the time is therefore opportune for the State to take over the monopoly of route licenses from the companies if the State is so minded; in fairness to the companies reasonable compensation should be paid for their motor vehicles and accessories if they are called upon to part with their rights in favour of the State. Events in Madras, however, should make the State think seriously before making a decision.

AIR MAIL SERVICE

The inauguration of a regular Air Mail Service between Colombo and Jaffna and vice versa is welcome. It will be now possible for people living in the Peninsula to send letters by air from Jaffna to Madras. We, however, regret to point out that the Air Mail Service from Jaffna to Colombo does not in any way confer any benefit on anyone. A person who sends a letter by air mail pays double the normal postage for the purpose of obtaining speedy delivery. While the ordinary mails at post offices in Jaffna close at about 5 p.m. air mails close at about 1 p.m. Letters sent by air from Jaffna to Colombo have to be posted earlier and paid for more to reach their destination at the same time as ordinary letters. The Jaffna man cannot be expected to indulge in this form of luxury. Unless there is a special delivery of letters carried by air from Jaffna to Colombo rendering it possible for delivery of letters on the very day they are posted few people will use the Air Mail Service from Jaffna to Colombo. We would therefore urge that arrangements be made for a special delivery of air-borne letters from Jaffna to Colombo.

Kandy Election Petition Succeeds

M. P. Loses Seat

Mr. Justice Nagalingam delivered his judgment on Thursday declaring the election of Mr. T. B. Inangratne to the Kandy Seat of the House of Representatives null and void.

Mr. Inangratne was found guilty of making a false statement of facts and of causing to be printed a pamphlet which did not bear the name of the publisher.

The judge directed that Mr. Inangratne be deprived of civic rights for seven years and be subject to any other incapacities laid down in the Ceylon Constitution Order-in-Council.

The judge fixed costs at Rs. 3,500.

Several witnesses in the case, including Mr. Fred E. de Silva, are to be noticed to show cause why they should not be reported to the Governor-General.

The petition challenging Mr. Inangratne's election was presented to the Supreme Court by Mr. H. Don Philip (also known as Mr. H. D. P. Seneviratne), of Railway Approach Road, Kandy, and Mr. G. L. Simon Silva, of Gurudeniya, Kandy.

News in Brief

PETROL CONTROL

In view of the improvement in petrol control stock position, the Minister for Transport and Works, has it is understood decided to postpone indefinitely the introduction of control measures.

FLOUR SHORTAGE TO END

Government expects to be in a position to resume the unrestricted issue of flour to consumers by February 15, if a shipment of 5,000 tons of flour which is expected from Singapore arrives on schedule.

MR. WHITBY NEW M. P.

The Governor-General has appointed Mr. G. R. Whitby to the House of Representatives with effect from February 1 in place of Mr. E. E. Spencer who has resigned.

C. T. C. ROBBERY

Five persons including the C. T. C. Cashier and his assistant, failed to identify a suspect as the "Police Inspector" in the Rs. 400,000 C. T. C. Robbery when an identification parade was held in the Chief Magistrate's court, Colombo on Thursday.

Co-op Manager Jailed

Aiyadurai Selvaratnam of Urumpiray who was employed as Manager of the Urumpiray Co-operative Stores Society from 1st Feb. 1945 till 17th January 1948 was sentenced to 18 months rigorous imprisonment by the District Judge of Jaffna in respect of 3 charges relating to falsification of accounts and criminal breach of trust committed during November 1947.

Mr. T. Muttusami Pillai Crown Advocate conducted the prosecution while the accused was defended by Mr. A. Sambandan instructed by Mr. S. C. Cathiravelu.

Gandhi Murder Trial

Godse And Apte Sentenced to death

Nathuram Vinayak Godse, assassin of Mahatma Gandhi, was sentenced to death by the special judge, Mr. Atma Charan on Tuesday.

Narayan Apte was also sentenced to death for complicity in the murder.

Vishnu Karkare, Madan Lal, Hankar Shankar Kistayya, Gopal Godse (brother of Nathuram Vinayak Godse) and Dr. Dattatraya Sadishiv Parchure were all sentenced to transportation for life.

Vinayak Damador Savarker was found not guilty and acquitted.

Digambar Badge, who turned "King's Evidence" was discharged, having been pardoned. As the accused were being led out of the dock after the judgment had been given, Nathuram Godse, Narayan Apte, Vishnu Karkare and Madanlal raised their hands and shouted "Hindu Dharma ki jai" (victory to the Hindu religion) and "Akhand bharat amar rahe" (long live undivided India).

Transport Conditions

Mr. Donald Rutnam's Report

The ideal form of co-ordination has nowhere yet been devised, states Mr. D. R. Rutnam, Adviser to the Minister of Transport and Works, in the course of his report on Transport Conditions in Ceylon, the first volume of which has just been issued.

Co-ordination, states the report, must be directed to the elimination of two great evils; unnecessary duplication of transport and wasteful competition.

In the course of a summary of the principal conclusions and recommendations, Mr. Rutnam states that the importance of good transport to a country is so vital that it is now accepted practically as an axiomatic truth that "every country pays for the transport that it has not got".

The present unsatisfactory position of the railway was due mainly to the ineffectiveness of the present road-rail co-ordination and inadequate charges made by the railway for services rendered as compared with the cost of its service before the war.

Mr. Rutnam, however warns that the problem of how a nation should apply control in order to get the best possible form of transport is one bristling with difficulties. The very fact that there are so many different competing forms of transport emphasises the need for an efficient and proved form of co-ordination.

Vavuniya News

Mr. P. Thambiah, Kachcheri Mudaliyar, Vavuniya, has been appointed Chief Clerk of the Badulla Kachcheri from next month.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TEMPLE ENTRY

The question of Temple Entry is being made into a mere political trump card by politicians, who always exploit the situation to their own advantage at the expense of society. It is necessary to place the matter before the public in its proper perspective:

1. There is no power on earth which can prevent a man from worshipping God in his own way.

2. Certain classes of people who have a common way of life worship God in their own way and observe certain rules, customs and rites.

3. The Harijans who differed in their way of life from the rest at first did not care to follow the orthodox way of life and later these orthodox people objected to the Harijans entering their Temples, when the latter wanted to do so, owing to the difference in their habits and customs even though the Harijans turned over a new leaf.

A. The solution to the problem lies not in legislative enactments by Government but by inculcating into the minds of Harijans the Hindu way of life which demands clean body, clean mind, and clean habits, when in Temple or at home. For this the Harijans in common with the others must abandon:

1. Beef eating and eating the flesh of deceased animals.
2. Give up indulging in alcoholic drinks and narcotics like opium etc.
3. Stealing, robbery and converting of other's property.
4. Indiscrimate sex relationship—lust, adultery (blasphemy polygamy polyandry) etc.
5. Irreverence to the Guru or Master.

The above are regarded as unpardonable sins by Hindus of whatever caste or creed; conduct and behaviour and not birth and wealth should be considered here.

B. Then they must observe the rules of cleanliness of the person, by clean personal habits of bathing, washing and wearing clean, washed, sun dried clothes unsoiled by faeces, urine, saliva and perspiration from which diseases spread.

C. They must observe the rules of cleanliness of the community i. e. to bathe and purify oneself when returning from funerals, market places etc; a duty they owe to the community.

D. Menstrual periods, period of segregation after child birth and segregation after death in a house, should be observed. Segregation of people suffering from infectious diseases should be adopted. All the above rules apply to all irrespective of caste or colour.

E. There are rules laid down as to how one should worship and behave in the temple. These are well explained in Arumuganavalars' Catechisms; one should note that:

1. No worshipper should go beyond the Balipeedam; this rule is enforced in Travancore by legislation, not even Brahmins are allowed to go further than this spot; only the officiating priests are allowed to do so. This is a wholesome and correct rule, which is not observed in the other temples in South India.

2. The temples should be regarded as sacred and one should feel that one treads on sanctified ground with care and caution, and not regard the Temple as a place of entertainment or curiosity shop. Though the Temple is a public place we cannot regard it to be like the market, school, theatre etc.

3. Proper facilities should be provided at Temples for bathing, cleaning, washing etc. under

modern hygienic conditions.

F. The best way to inculcate the essential good habits and customs to Harijans is to build Temples for these people and give them a chance to follow the prescribed way of life and learn how to worship and behave in Temples; otherwise they will be a menace to the orderly congregation in any temple.

G. One should do away with rituals which have degenerated or become improper and out of place e.g.

1. Indiscriminate slaughter of animals not prescribed in any religious book and

2. Nautch dance which was a ritual dance and has now become mere sex appeal jerks.

H. Education in proper lines where the highest ideals of Hinduism, showing the Dharma of self sacrifice, self denial and self control, are inculcated to students by masters who practise what they teach.

I. The organisation of the Saiva Sanga or Saiva Church—Pandara Sannadhi Murai and Saiva Paripalanam.

1. Pandaram—the lay priest
2. Periya Pandaram high priest (Saiva Kurukal)
3. Thambiran-Bishop (His Lordship)
4. Periya Thambiran-Arch Bishop
5. Pandara Sannadhi-The Pope (His Holiness)

When such an organisation functions all can be regarded to form a living organism, and every man, woman and child will become a unit in this great church.

J. Colleges and Schools, Hospitals, Playgrounds, Community Centres, Homes for the Aged, Homes for the Destitutes, Orphans' Homes, Seminaries, Libraries etc., will spring up and could be made to be useful to all.

K. For the present educated young men of character should become priests for each one's own community, and (who) will also act as pastors and herdsmen to their flock like unto Hari.

L. The Saiva Sangam, with such a type of minister would be able to inculcate into the flock the cardinal truths of their religion and also inspire them with the faith of their forefathers and hold before them the ideals for which they lived and died for.

M. They would also instill into their flock what their duties are to themselves to their families and Society in general.

N. They would also lead their flock on the path of Dharma and Sathiya.

O. The Sanga will meet periodically and revise their codes and principles of Religion, both in theory and practice with the Vedas and the Upanishads (Srutis) agamas, smritis, Itihasas and puranas under the guidance of the Pandara Sannadhi.

P. For all this a Saiva convention should be summoned without delay. Who will do this? Not the politicians.

Q. A Book as a common guide giving the fundamentals of the Saiva Religion and acceptable to all alike is a pressing need.

If the above ideas could be put in chaste Tamil and published in your paper calling upon the people to organise themselves and form an orderly cultural society instead of being torn asunder by the revolutionary ideologies of

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WEDDING

Sethu Ramalingam Chettiar-Seemanthanidevi

The marriage of Sri. Sethu Ramalingam Chettiar, son of Sivasambu Chettiar, Navalur Road, Jaffna with Miss. Seemanthanidevi, daughter of Mr. V. Namisvayam, 62, Clock Tower Road, Jaffna took place on Wednesday last at the brides residence. A large gathering of friends and relatives attended the wedding.

Mr. E. H. T. Gunasekera Appointed New Puisne Judge

Mr. E. H. T. Gunasekera, Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Justice, has been appointed a Puisne Justice with effect from March 1.

A Press note to this effect was issued by the Governor-General's office.

Mr. Gunasekera who is 49 years old, was appointed a Crown Counsel in 1934 after which he acted as Assistant to the Attorney-General for two years.

In 1936 he became Acting Principal Assistant to the Legal Secretary, serving in that capacity till September 1937. He then acted as Senior Crown Counsel for various periods and also for the Solicitor-General from December 1946 to April 1947.

He officiated as Commissioner of Assize for four months in 1947 and in October 1947 he was appointed Permanent Secretary to the Ministry of Justice.

Dr. Eliezer Appointed Mathematics Professor

Dr. C. J. Eliezer M. A. (Cantab) M. Sc. (Lond.), (Cantab) Fellow of Christ College, Cambridge, has been appointed Professor of Mathematics at the University of Ceylon, and is expected to assume duties in Ceylon in the latter part of 1949.

Dr. Eliezer won the Government University Scholarship in 1938, and proceeded to Cambridge. He gained the following distinctions in England.

1941.—Bachelor Scholar and Prizeman, Christ College, Cambridge.

1942.—Cambridge University Isaac Newton Studentship.

1943.—Cambridge University Smith's Prize.

1946.—Senior Student of the Exhibition of 1851; Fellow of Christ's College, Cambridge; Charles-Mayor Award of 2000 Dollars by the United States National Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Eliezer was Lecturer in Mathematics, University of Ceylon. In 1943 he lectured in Cambridge University for the Mathematical Tripos Part II and also functioned as Research Supervisor, and Examiner in Quantum Mechanics for Ph. D. Students.

Dr. Eliezer was elected to a Research Fellowship at Birmingham University, but did not accept it.

Chairs Of Sanskrit And Zoology

On the retirement of Professor B. Heimann, the present Professor of Sanskrit, Dr. O. H. de A Wijesekere, the present Lecturer in Sanskrit, will become Professor.

Dr. Wijesekere is an M. A., Ph. D. (London) and holds the London Diploma in Oriental Studies. Dr. Wijesekere was a Ceylon Government University Scholar in 1932.

Dr. Hilary Cruz B. Sc. Ph. D. (London), who recently returned from England after obtaining the Ph. D. degree for research in Zoology, has been appointed Lecturer in Zoology.

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produce an atom of pleasure in man's life; on the contrary, they can substantially increase his misery. It is therefore high time the whole world turned to the science of Yoga, the true Science of sciences which would bring within man's grasp the illimitable powers of the Atman and make him realise his true nature, the Reality, the Unity that pervades the entire universe.

The basis of life is education and education is spiritual education. Educational reform ought to be the first concern of a Free India Government. Once the seeds of unity, brotherhood, sympathy, love, understanding, morality, honesty and love of Truth are sown in the fertile soil of the youthful mind, it is bound to sprout forth in manhood a mature, selfless love and a spirit of selfless servicehood.

One World

What a Supreme Consummation! What a bold vision! It is a practical philosopher's prophetic anticipation. A world united in a bond of mutual love, sympathy understanding and appreciation; a world, all the individual human units of which will consciously feel the indivisible Oneness; a world where all the human beings are closely knit together in abiding brotherhood; a world where wars, quarrels, dissensions and strifes, either economic or religious, will be unknown; a world which will live in the realisation that it constitutes one Family, the entire humanity of which will feel that all are children of the One Father—a dream which is bound to materialise into a cherished fact, if only all the leaders of philosophical thought will gird up their own loins and apply themselves to the task of spreading the message of Unity and living the life of Unity."

May God enable better coun-

Cure Your Cold

Ordinary colds become very common when there is a change-over of the seasons. Whenever you get the feeling of an approaching cold gargle with warm water in which half a teaspoon of salt is dissolved. Or better still, try to take this water in the mouth through the nose. Close one nostril and take in the water with the other. At first you might find it difficult but once you are able to do it, you won't mind doing this every day!

One thing to bear in mind is that the water should be tepid and the salt to be dissolved should be free from dirt dust. Only a pinch of table salt should be used for preparing the douche. Drain the nose thoroughly. Even if the douche does not prevent the cold, it definitely helps to check it and also relieves the feeling of congestion in the nose.

Another simple remedy is hot lime juice. If available, add a spot of rum to it. But take this drink just before retiring to bed and do not expose yourself to draught.

Do you know that melted butter sometimes helps to check an attack of cough? If it is due to some throat irritation? (Bombay Chronicle.)

sels to prevail and thus avert a repetition of the catastrophes which the world has suffered recently. May Free India rise once again as a World Teacher and show the Lamp of Wisdom and Unity to the whole world.

—(From "The Vision")

Gandhiji A Hero Saint and Martyr

Says Patabhi

Dr. Patabhi Sitaramayya, Congress President after a visit to the Gandbi Mandap exhibition at Rajghat in a statement to the press said:—

"We love to think of the dear. We nurse and nourish. Grief gives us joy and keeps the memory alive of the dear departed. The anniversaries in India of deceased parents recall to the world of the living, lessons imparted by the lives of the holy men and women. Every father is a hero to his son. But the father of the nation is a hero, saint and martyr. The soldier wields force, the civilian works with intellect, the saint is but the soul enlarged. All have their period of probation as bachelors, all acquire experience of the world as married men, all serve their apprenticeship as servants of society. All dedicate themselves to the uplift of the world. So did Mahatma Gandhi. As a young student he lived his life in the western world. As grihasta he had four sons and acquired a knowledge of men and matters. At 36 he vowed a life of celibacy. And at 45 he gave up his attachments and became a sanyasi.

"The exhibition at Rajghat is a running commentary on his life and mission in stone and canvas, in line and colour with brush and pen. As an ascetic he solved the economic problems of India by his charkha. He died for Hindu-Muslim unity roaming through the jungles of Nonkhal. Life was a perpetual joy to him through uplift of the depressed and the oppressed. Life was a bliss and a beatitude.

Letters to the Editor

(Continued from page 2)

Communism, Samasamajism, Bolshevism, Fascism and Nazism, you would have done a great service to the Hindu Community.

A SAIVITE.

Tamil Programme Assistant Colombo Radio

Sir,—Since a few Ceylon Tamils are betraying the cause of the Ceylonese by improper methods I will be failing in my duty if I do not give all the facts in their true perspective for the information of the Tamil Public in connection with the above appointment.

Applications were invited from CEYLONESE for the above post by a notification appearing in Government Gazette of April 2nd 1948 page 456. That very same Gazette contained the definition of the term "Ceylonese" for all purposes of recruitment to Public Service. 60 Ceylonese (Ceylon Tamils) and this non Ceylonese Malayalee lady applied for the post. It is important to bear in mind that the authorities had no right whatever to entertain her application. In fact this Malayalee lady does not possess even a birth certificate. About 25 candidates were called for the interview. Two Ceylonese were called for the final interview and were found competent to hold this post and were given ranks along with this lady by the selection board.

The father of this Malayalee lady one Mr. F. O. Elias is teaching at a Christian Mission School at Vaddukoddai. At a public meeting held in Jaffna on the 15th August 1948 in connection with the Anniversary of the Indian Independence Celebration Mr. Elias while seconding a resolution made the following statements criticising the Ceylon Government at that time:—"We the Indian residents in Ceylon greet the people of India, Ceylon though not free in respect of Defence, as otherwise achieved her freedom, but we in Ceylon are being treated as helots by the Ceylon Government and are denied our citizenship in this country". At that meeting Mr. K. Kanagaratnam, M. P. who was also one of the members of the board that selected this Malayalee lady was also present. Vide Ceylon Daily News August 18th 1948.

1. The Jaffna Saiva Paripalana Sabha whose voice you unequivocally record at its meeting held on 14.11.48 has protested against the appointment of this Malayalee lady.

2. The Saiva Maha Sabha Karainagar held a special general meeting on 24-10-48 and passed a resolution strongly protesting against the appointment of this non-Ceylonese non-Tamil Malayalee lady and had forwarded that resolution to the authorities requesting them to rectify the injustice done to the Tamils of Ceylon.

3. Nearly 100 members of the Vivekananda Society have signed a requisition order and have asked the General Secretary to hold

Vaddukoddai Newsletter

NewSubPostOffice at Sittankerny A New Sub Post Office at Sittankerny, one of a number of sub-Post Offices to be opened throughout the Island, was opened on the 26th of January and is functioning well. The sub-Post Master is Mr. K. Rajaratnam, who is a well-known business man and proprietor of the Vali-West-Book depot and a grocery stores at Sittankerny junction. It is hoped that this Sub Post Office will considerably ease the volume of work now handled by the Vaddukoddai Post Office.

Subhas Youth League Vaddu East Vaddukoddai

That the youth of a village are to be the future fathers of the village and that they should see to the upliftment of their own village in their youth in order to have a contented life of leisure in their old age was the comment made by Mr. A. T. Vethaparanam, Chairman, Village Committee, Vaddukoddai in the course of a lecture delivered to the above League on Independence day.

Earlier in the day Mr. Vethaparanam opened the Reading Room run by the above league in its premises adjoining the Hindu English School, Vaddukoddai and then repaired to the School Hall where he addressed a good gathering of the youth of the village and elders who are well wishers of the league. The meeting was presided over by Mr. V. Somasundaram, Proctor, Vaddu East, Vaddukoddai. Mr. Vethaparanam suggested various ways by which the youth can be of a great help to the village. He also suggested that the league should work in such a way as to make it a Rural reconstruction society. He promised all help he could, as a Village Committee Chairman, for the League to achieve its aims.

a special general meeting to protest against this appointment.

4. Letters, comments and Editorials have appeared in the Press in all the three languages (English, Sinhalese & Tamil) condemning strongly this appointment.

The lady in question may have offered Tamil for her degree. She may have the additional qualification of living in close proximity to the residence of the M.P. for Vaddukoddai but these qualifications are irrelevant to the question at issue. If it was the intention of the authorities to recruit a non-Ceylonese perhaps much better persons with experience could have been found in South India.

In view of the ceaseless public agitation, in deference to the large volume of public opinion and to maintain the confidence of the public in the purity of administration it is trusted that the authorities will rectify the error early and remove the slur cast on the Tamils of Ceylon by the appointment of this non-Ceylonese. Yours etc, T. G. Ratnam, Colombo.

Our Astrological Feature

WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRIPATY"

FROM 13TH FEBRUARY TO 19TH FEBRUARY, 1949.

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

Financial luck should be pretty good. You will make money through unusual channels steadily throughout this week. New friendships and new developments shown.

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

If you make a determined effort to concentrate and develop well defined plans, you are sure to score much this week. Anyhow it will prove to be a time of great restlessness.

GEMINI *Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Punarvasu 1, 2, 3—[Aithana Rasi]*

A good week for starting something new or for making any small trips. Existing relationship in personal affairs, will be strengthened and you will make some promising linkup.

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

An older man in your family, or a senior officer at office may cause you much annoyance this week. Financial difficulties also shown. Business conditions likely to be complicated by unfounded rumours or misunderstanding.

LEO *Maha, Poora, Uttirasi 1 part—[Singha Rasi]*

Income from routine business sources is likely to increase. Take pains to keep fit this week. Difficult to keep the peace among fellow workers and in the family first part of the week.

VIRGO *Uttira 2, 3, 4, Atha, Chithirai 1, 2—[Kanni Rasi]*

Social activities will increase this week. You will become very popular. Triumph over competitors, mental harmony and financial luck also shown.

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

There is some danger of loss through a dishonest associate or employee this week. Keep a close watch on expenditure and take care of health.

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

A good week financially but there will be no rest mentally and physically. Troubles through relatives and misunderstandings with friends also shown.

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

Might prove to be an important week financially. Speculative luck fairly good. Spend Sunday with care. Avoid accidents and quarrels.

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

New schemes or ideas likely to arouse enmity among business associates. Domestic troubles and mental restlessness also shown. Keep clear of arguments on Sunday Monday and Tuesday.

AQUARIUS *Avittam 2, 4, Sathyam, Pooradati 1, 2, 3. [Kumbha Rasi]*

You will find it difficult to carry out any idea of your own in face of opposition of relatives, this week. Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday must be spent with care. Avoid clashes with friends.

PISCES *Pooradati 4, Uttiradati, Revathi. [Meena Rasi]*

First 4 days of the week will be very favourable to you. Business advancement, ruin to enemies and financial gains shown. The following 3 days must be spent with care.

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ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 970

In the matter of the estate and effects of the late Arumugam Jacob Kanapathippillai of Karaitivu North Deceased
Ponnamma widow of Arumugam Jacob Kanapathippillai of Karaitivu North Petitioner

1. Arumugam Arunasalam of Karaitivu North
2. Arumugam Sangareppillai of Erelai
3. Valliammai widow of Arumugam
4. Parupathy widow of K. Arumugam both of Karaitivu North Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr. District Judge of Jaffna on the 29th day of November 1948 in the presence of Mr. S. Kandiah Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the petitioner dated the 21st day of November 1948 having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner be and she is declared entitled as widow of the deceased to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased issued to her unless the respondents above-named or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 17th day of January 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

This 29 day of November 1948 Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai District Judge

Date for showing cause is extended to 21st February 1949

(Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai District Judge)

17th January 1949 (O. 133, 8 & 11)

Ceylon Government Railway TENDER NOTICE

The Chairman, Way & Works Head Office Tender Board, will receive, at the Chief Engineer's Office, C. G. R., McCallum Road, Maradana, tenders up to 2.30 p.m. on Friday, March 4 1949 for the construction of One Set of Workmen's Dwellings at 7 Miles 37 Chains Matale Line (Katugas-tota).

For further particulars, please see Government Gazette of 11th February, 1949

W. A. SHAW, Chief Engineer, C. G. R. P. O. Box, No. 370, Colombo, (G. 113, 11, 15 & 18)

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 838

In the matter of the estate of the late Vethanayagi wife of Kanagasabai Vairavanathar of Vaddukoddai East, Jaffna Deceased

Vaitilingam Kandasamy of Vaddukoddai East, Petitioner, Vs,

1. Vaitilingam Karunananthar of do, presently Health Inspector, Kampar in Malaya,
2. Kathiravelu Karthigesu, Sanitary Inspector, Tapah in Malaya,
3. and wife Nagammah of do.
4. Arumugam Ampalavanar of the P. W. D. Office, Kuala-Lumpur in Malaya.
5. and wife Neelayathadchiammah of do. Respondents

This matter of the petition of the above-named petitioner coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr., District Judge, Jaffna on the 22nd day of January 1949 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam, Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read; it is ordered that letters of administration of the estate of the said deceased be granted to the petitioner unless the said respondents shall appear before this court on the 19th day of March 1949 and show cause to the satisfaction of the court to the contrary This 22 day of January 1949

Sgd. R. R. SELVADURAI District Judge

Extended 21-2-49 (O 131 8 & 11)

LAND DEVELOPMENT NOTICE

The Assistant Government Agent, Vavuniya will receive up to 23rd February, 1949 applications from Middle-Class Ceylonese, for allotments of land from an extent of 500 acres situated at Alampil on the Mullaitivu-Alampil road between the 6th and 7th mile posts to the East of the road.

For further particulars see the notice appearing in the Government Gazette of 11th February 1949, or apply to the Assistant Government Agent, Vavuniya N. MANICKA IDAIKKADAR, Assistant Government Agent, The Kacheri, Vavuniya Vavuniya, 28th January, 1949. (G. 112, 11)

Plea For Indo-Pakistan Amity

(Continued from page 3)

the positive assertion of truth and justice and we might have considered 'ahimsa' a misnomer if he had not believed and taught that the assertion of truth must be free from all hate and violence. The principle took its name from the method because its refutation depended on the method.

Gandhiji Worked Out His Own Plan

Unless we are content to pay lip service to ideals, we shall have to admit that there is a logic which organically combines belief and conduct. The higher our aspirations, the more relentless this logic becomes. Mahatma Gandhi's personal life is a noble illustration of how details of living should be coordinated with the supreme idea of the purpose of life. He did not follow a plan others had made for him, he worked it out himself. His resolve was to make his personality a faultlessly efficient instrument, with all its resources concentrated on its tasks, a self perfectly trained in selflessness, flesh fulfilling the demands of spirit with never a sigh of weariness or a shock of conflict. In a world overawed by the efficiency of organisation Mahatma Gandhi developed in efficiency of personality. It is an achievement of enduring significance amidst the ever-increasing scale of production and destruction upon which so much energy and resources of mankind are being thoughtlessly spent. We must learn its value and realise it in our personal lives as well as our society unless we are willing to let our humanity be crushed by the efficiency of organisations that have no moral function and progress drunkenly from one orgy of violence to another.

Now that conflicts are over and wounds have healed, India and Pakistan may well turn to the cultivation of those values which Mahatma Gandhi's life represents, and which are so vital to both democracy and peace. In spite of all differences, the necessity and the advantages of co-operation between Pakistan and India are too obvious to be denied. Mahatma Gandhi's personality is an example and an urge to co-operate on the highest spiritual level of a common faith in absolute values and a common desire to serve them with the utmost efficiency and devotion.

Order Absolute in the First Instance Declaring Will Proved

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary No. 955

In the matter of the last will and testament of the late Valliammaipillai widow of Tilliamampalam Payson Tambyahpillai of Navaly Deceased

1. Reginald Paul Selvanayagam Rajasooria and his wife
2. Victoria Nesamany Rajasooria both of No. 23 Perak Road, Kuala Lumpur, appearing by their Attorney Mubandiram Swaminathan Kanagaratnam Swaminathan of Manipay, Petitioner.

This matter coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai Esqr., District Judge, Jaffna on the 20th day of October, 1948 in the presence of Mr. C. R. Tambiah proctor on the part of the petitioners and the affidavits of (1) the petitioner dated 15th September, 1948 and (2) the attesting Notary and the witnesses dated 15th September 1948 having been read.

It is ordered that the Last will No. 13251 dated 30th March 1931 attested by K. Arumugam Noyal

Co-operative Study Circle Celebrates Independence Day

"If Ceylon is to become economically independent it is through the co-operative movement" said Mr. K. A. Coomaraswamy speaking at the Independence Day celebrations organised under the auspices of the Co-operative Study Circle held at the Rural Reconstruction Society Hall Maruthanadam on Friday the 4th February, 1949 at 7 p.m. Mr. W. Ponnudurai presided. Mr. K. S. Ramachandra Iyer B. A. speaking next said that they were celebrating the political emancipation of Ceylon from the grip of foreign overlordship. This was attained by the selfless devotion and perseverance of the leaders of Ceylon. The names of such great men would go unto history and shall be written in golden letters.

A grand musical entertainment which followed included items by prominent artists and by the students of Uduvil Isai Thamil Nilayam and the same was greatly appreciated by all present. The celebration was a success.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 837

In the matter of the estate of the late Vairavanathar Vivekananthan of Vaddukoddai East, Jaffna Deceased

Vaitilingam Kandasamy of Vaddukoddai East, Petitioner

Vs

1. Vaitilingam Karunananthar of do presently Health Inspector, Kampar in Malaya
2. Kathiravelu Karthigesu, Sanitary Inspector, Tapah in Malaya
3. and wife Nagammah of do
4. Arumugam Ampalavanar of the P. W. D. Office, Kuala Lumpur in Malaya
5. and wife Neelayathadchiammah of do Respondents

This matter of the petition of the above-named petitioner coming on for disposal before R. R. Selvadurai, Esqr. District Judge, Jaffna on the 22nd day of January 1949 in the presence of Mr. V. Nagalingam, Proctor for Petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the said petitioner having been read; it is ordered that letters of administration of the estate of the above named deceased be granted to the petitioner unless the said respondents shall appear before this court on the 19th day of March 1949 and show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 22 day of January 1949 Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai District Judge.

Extended to 21-2-49 (O 130 8 & 11)

Public, of Alliammaipillai widow of Tilliamampalam Payson Tambyahpillai the deceased abovenamed the original of which has been deposited in this court be and the same is hereby declared proved and it is further declared that the said 2nd petitioner abovenamed is the sole executrix named in the said Will and that she is entitled to have probate thereof issued to her accordingly.

This 26th day of November 1948 Sgd. R. R. Selvadurai, District Judge,

Drawn by C. R. Tambiah, Proctor for Petitioner. (O. 132 8 & 11)

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