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RAMNAMAM THE ROYAL REMEDY

Gandhiji's Great Faith

An Incident In His Exemplary Life.

HOW Mahatma Gandhi's unshakable faith in the efficacy of Ramnam helped him to tide over a sudden and critical turn in his health exactly a year before his assassination is narrated by Manu Gandhi in this article published in the *Harjan*.

At Amki I could not get goat's milk for Bapu. I tried my best to procure it but failed. So I had to inform Bapu who said to me, "What does it matter? For goat's milk the white juice of the coconut will do as well and fresh coconut oil will serve the purpose of ghee."

Bapu's Illness

Bapu showed me how to prepare them and accordingly I gave them to him. As he usually took eight ounces of goat's milk he took the same quantity of coconut milk too. But he could not digest it and so he had an attack of diarrhoea. The frequent motion made him weaker and weaker. In the evening when he was coming back to the hut he felt a reeling sensation and was about to fall. Generally symptoms like yawning, perspiration, coldness of hands and feet etc, would precede such a reeling sensation in his case. I thought from his yawns that he was about to feel giddy but I was mistaken. Bapu who was walking with my support was already collapsing. I held his head with care and shouted for Nirmalbabu. He came and we both helped Bapuji to bed. Then it struck me that I should call for Dr. Sushilabehn who was in a village nearby.

The Real Do tor

I wrote a chit and just as I was giving it to Nirmalbabu for dispatching, Bapu woke up and called out, "Manudi I do not like you calling Nirmalbabu. As you are still young, however, I can excuse you. But at such a time I expect you to do nothing else but take *Ramanama* with all your heart. As for myself I was already engrossed in taking His name. I would have liked it immensely had you started taking *Ramanama* instead of shouting for Nirmalbabu. Now don't inform Sushila or call her. The real doctor is Rama. As long as Rama needs service from me. He will keep me alive. When He does not, He will call me back to Himself."

A shiver passed through my body when the words "don't inform Sushila or call her" struck my ears. I snatched the chit from Nirmalbabu and tore it to pieces. Bapa saw this and remarked, "So you had already written to her." I had to admit the fact. Then he said, "Today the Lord had saved us both. On reading the chit Sushila would have left her work and immediately run to us. I would not have liked it at all. That would have made me angry with myself and

you. Thank God I was tested today. I am convinced that I shall not die of sickness if *Ramanama* has penetrated deep down into my heart. This rule is for everybody. One has to suffer for one's mistakes and in that spirit I passed through the pain. One should have *Ramanama* on one's last breath but it should not be repeated parrot-like; it should spring from the heart as was the case with Hanuman. When Sitaji presented a pearl necklace to him he broke the pearls to see if the name of Rama was written in them.

The Lesson of Gita

"We need not care to find out whether the incident actually happened or not. We may not be able to make our bodies as strong as that of Hanuman but we can certainly make our souls as great. One can realize the devotion of Hanuman if one is intent on it. If one cannot reach that height it is enough if one makes a sincere attempt. Has not *Gita* taught us to make every effort and leave the result in the hands of God? We should try our very best to follow that teaching.

"Now you have understood what my attitude is towards the sickness of anybody, be it you, me or anyone else". And that very day he wrote to an ailing sister: "There is only one panacea in the whole world and that is *Ramanama*. But His name could only prove effective if the rules pertaining to it are strictly adhered to. But who cares to do so?"

Strange enough the above incident occurred on the 30th of January 1947, exactly a year before his death.

That unshakable faith in *Ramanama* remained with him till his last breath. I did not then imagine that on the same day a year later I should have the heart-rending experience of hearing *Rama, Rama* as the last audible words of the great departing soul. Mysterious indeed are the ways of the Lord!

Lord Soulbury Succeeds Sir Henry Moore

A Communique issued from the Governor-General's office states:-

"It is officially announced from Buckingham Palace that The King, on the recommendation of His Majesty's Government in Ceylon, has been graciously pleased to approve the appointment of the Right Honourable Lord Soulbury, O.B.E. M.C., to be Governor General of Ceylon in succession to Sir Henry Monck-Mason Moore, G.C. M.G., who will relinquish his appointment towards the end of the present year."

Commonsense Cannot Be Wrong

Judge Places It Before Law

Addressing new magistrates at Merionethshire quarter sessions at Dolgelly Mr. Justice Stably, the Chairman said that having devoted 40 years to the study of the law and the last 10 years exclusively to the administration of justice, he did not agree with those who urged the abolition of lay magistrates and their substitution throughout the country by stipendiary magistrates. In the administration of justice this country stood at the top of the world. Because the criminal law kept step with the average consciousness of the average man and woman the operation of the system had won the confidence of their fellow citizens and the admiration of people where the system was different.

To the new magistrates he gave the advice: "Have confidence in yourselves. Do not imagine you have to be learned in the law. Do not worry about the law but use your commonsense. If you use it and find that it does not tally with the law, then there must be something wrong with the law because commonsense cannot be wrong."

Indian Territorial Army

Plans have now been completed to raise an Indian Territorial Army with a target of 180,000.

The recruitment to the Army will be on a zonal basis and for this purpose the country has been divided into eight zones.

Open to all able-bodied citizens from unskilled labourer to highly qualified technicians irrespective of caste or creed, the Territorial Army will offer an opportunity to the youth of the country to receive part-time military training.

Intended to form a second line of defence to the regular army the Territorial Army will reinforce it if and when necessary. It will also be responsible for anti aircraft and coastal defence.

At a time of national emergency it will relieve the regular army partly or wholly of its international duty commitments.

The decision to raise a Territorial Army was taken early last year and an Act to this effect was passed by the Dominion Parliament in the month of September. It was specifically laid down that the territorial Army personnel would not be required to perform military service beyond the limits of India except under general or special order of the Central Government.

The plan envisages the raising of units of all types in existence

Northern Assizes

Neervely Murder Case

All Accused Acquitted

Agreeing with the Jury in their unanimous verdict that the evidence was not satisfactory to prove the guilt of the accused Mr. Justice Gratien acquitted all the accused in the Neervely murder case. He, however, expressed his view that a brutal murder had been committed and that whoever had done it would not be able to get rid of the guilty conscience till his end.

S. Muttucumara, Arumugam alias Ilangayar, S. Seeniar, S. Sivakolunthu, V. Aiyadurai, S. Kandiah, S. Somu and S. Thambu all of Neervely were charged with (1) being members of an unlawful assembly the common object of which was to cause the death of one Nannian Kandian. (2) the murder of Nannian Kandian.

The story of the prosecution was that all the accused armed with deadly weapons, the 1st accused with a gun, chased the deceased and inflicted on him fatal injuries.

Mr. A. Sambandan with Mr. M. M. Abdul Cader instructed by Messrs R.R. Nalliah & S. C. Kathiravelu appeared for the 1st and the 8th accused.

Mr. M. Balasunderam instructed by Messrs Nalliah & Kathiravelu defended the 2nd 5th & 6th accused.

3rd 4th & 7th accused were defended by Mr. M. M. Abdul Cader (assigned).

Ceylon Radio Artistes' Association

Festival of Muththamil

Under the auspices of the Ceylon Radio Artistes' Association a Festival of Muththamil will be celebrated on 4th, 5th, 6th of March '49 at the Saivamangaiyar Vithyalayam Wellawatte. The Hon. Mr. C. Sittampalam Minister of Posts and Telecommunications will open the celebrations. The programme of the Festival consists of speeches music vocal and instrumental and Oriental Dances,

in the regular army and will include infantry, armoured corps, artillery, engineers including railway units, signals, ordnance, medical and postal units.

Although the Territorial Army will be a volunteer organisation, the methods of training to be employed will not only widen the general outlook and help physical development of its individual members but also inculcate in them a military discipline,

RESERVE BANK FOR CEYLON

Memorandum By C. Loganathan

(Continued from our last issue)

Control Commercial Banking

It is absolutely essential therefore that the reserve bank should have the powers and scope to control the commercial banking system directly and thereby control credit in general. It naturally follows that the best way of providing facilities for direct central bank control over the entire banking system is by the Central Bank, by itself or through a subsidiary institution, extensively and actively participating in the performance of commercial banking functions. If the Bank of Ceylon is made the Central Bank, with its profit motive curtailed, or if it is subsidised and made the commercial banking organ of the Central Bank, one can boldly and with certainty predict that before long the country will have an extensive indigenous banking system composed of, virtually and for practical purposes, one bank. It is now the tendency all over the

world for Governments to take an increasing interest in the performance of banking functions, and if some Governments have not attempted to nationalise banking or to establish State-run or State subsidised commercial banks it is more due to opposition of vested interests than to the disadvantages inherent in such banking systems. For instance any attempt by the Reserve Bank of India to perform commercial banking functions would be opposed by the large and numerous indigenous banking interests in India. Before India attained independence, opposition would have been unsurmountable because of British vested interests as well. This country, on the contrary, is in the happy position of enjoying political independence and of having only one indigenous bank already partly owned by the Government. Any move, therefore, on

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Treasure These Thoughts

A Satyagrahi may not resort to surreptitious practices. All that the Satyagrahis do can only and must be done openly.

—MAHATMA GANDHI

POLITICAL TERRORISM

IRONICAL IT MAY SEEM, THAT the very Indian leaders who had conducted great campaigns against Governmental authority, should now, after assuming power, have thought it justifiable to order the rounding up of all persons engaged in subversive activities and even to contemplate legislation for the banning of strikes in the Indian Railways and Posts and Telegraphs. But the point of difference in the action of the dyarchic administration of yesterday and the democratic rule of today in India is that the campaign against bureaucratic blunder was constitutional in method and non-violent in execution and that the opposition to the people's Government is subversive in character and violent in action.

This mania for revolt and ruin, conflict and chaos, disaffection and destruction, has become world-wide and has assumed dangerous proportions. Terrorist treachery in Egypt, red revolt in Malaya, insurgent incandianism in South Africa, these are a few of the problems with which the respective governments are faced. At no time in the history of the world has there been such a co-ordinated campaign against established authority conducted by forces of reaction. The present age has unfortunately produced the professional politician who is found engaged all the time in using his ingenuity to create as many problems for the Government as can bring about dis-order and dis-affection among the masses. No Government which claims to be chosen by the people and to be functioning for the people can allow the evil forces of reaction to gather strength. Democracy does not mean the granting of freedom to evil doers to practise their criminal aims. The responsibility for the good government of the people rests with the elected representatives and it is, therefore, their sacred duty to be always wary and watchful of the welfare of the country and to devise ways and means to unravel subversive activities and thus arrest the progress and growth of disruptive propaganda designed to sow the seeds of a meaningless revolution among unsuspecting and peace-loving peoples.

Terrorism can gain a place of acceptance in political propaganda only when reason has

fled to brutish beasts. The Mahatma died a martyr to prove the truth of this principle and the world cannot be expected to betray the great Apostle of Peace.

SCHOOL OF DANCING—JAFFNA

Lovers of art and promoters of cultural education will be only too glad to welcome the opening of a School of Dancing in Jaffna, the ancient capital of the musician monarch, the Yalpadi. With the inclusion of the teaching of music and dancing in the curriculum of schools, there has been in evidence for sometime past, a great interest evinced in this aspect of art by teachers, students and parents alike. But the training of those naturally talented with a partiality for music and dancing could not be had except individually and at great inconvenience and expense. Thus though the need for the establishment of a School of Dancing had been felt, it had not been possible, earlier, to make a start with it, particularly because it entailed a great deal of preliminary organisation by competent and talented artistes.

Mr. V. R. Rasanayagam who has distinguished himself already in the histrionic art, has spared no pains to plan and establish the Jaffna School of Dancing. That this school is bound to grow from strength to strength is seen from the fact that no less an artiste than the reputed Gopinath of Kathakali Dance fame has been appointed Supervisor and Examiner of the school. Classes have been opened in four different centres, namely, Jaffna, Vanarponnai, Navalay & Pt. Pedro. Comprehensive and methodical syllabus of studies, developing from physical exercise to footwork and thence to expressive movements and gestures is being followed. This School of Dancing is the only one of its kind in this Island and the organisers must justifiably feel proud of this fact. The revival of this ancient art in Jaffna points to a great future for the cultural education of our land.

Religion is Knowledge of Reality

Dr. Radhakrishnan.

"A secular State means that religion should not be employed to create any division between man and man" said Dr. Radhakrishnan, Chairman, Universities Commission, addressing a huge gathering of men of all walks of life in Calcutta.

Speaking about the relationship of man with religion, Dr. Radhakrishnan said: "Religion is knowledge of reality, it religion embodies truth. The 'Bhagwat Gita' points out that religion can be interpreted as a scientific study of ultimate reality."

Continuing Dr. Radhakrishnan said: "Duty is first, but if you take the name of God and keep yourself away from the world, you yourself will be your greatest enemy. This is the fundamental and bold assertion of the 'Gita'."

Farmers' Day

Paranthan Paddy Station

A Farmers' Day will be held on Saturday the 26th February, 1949, at Paranthan Paddy Station. One of the special features of the day will be to demonstrate how the farm was able to increase the yield of paddy over 100 percent, i.e., 25-30 bushels to 61 bushels per acre in 1948.

All co-operative organisation, schools and colleges in Jaffna District are requested to make available the concession rates offered by the Railway.

Cinema lectures will be given by Mr. M. R. M. Jebaratnam, Assistant Agricultural Officer, Propaganda, as detailed below:

23-2-49 Recreation Grounds, Kilinochchi

24-2-49 Kunocheiparantnan Govt School

25-2-49 Cattle Farm

27-2-49 Paranthan Farm

All farmers and cultivators are cordially invited to attend the demonstrations and cinema lectures. Further information may be had from

ONE THING AND ANOTHER

—By YALPANAN—

Back Bench Burlesque

Legislative Assemblies make and unmake leaders. Much space does not separate the Front Bench from the Back Benches in the Parliament of Sri Lanka. Yet the atmosphere, rather the atmospheric pressure, is distinctly different at the two extreme ends of the Assembly.

Mr. George E de Silva, made himself vicerious with a vengeance till those in power had found an effective answer to this nuisance assault by getting him right up to the Front where strangely enough there is only defensive warfare, if warfare there be any. And it was not People's George alone who got at there! Others too had made themselves bold, and these pugnacious pungent critic too have been silenced in this method of metamorphosis.

But in strange contrast is the member for Vavuniya who is always in the offensive whether in cabinet setting or opposition company. As Minister of Commerce and Trade he basked in the sun-hine of public attention. Ceiling prices or Rubber deal, there was something over which his voice waxed eloquent with rigour and virulence. Came the Indian Bill to make a hero of him. What time the Stalinists the Trotskyites, and the Partition party are falling by the way side trampling on each other unawares, this born fighter is consolidating his position as the unconfirmed Leader of the opposition.

Flag Flying

The spicy 'breezes' which the Ex-Minister of Commerce had with the Speaker throughout the last sittings of the House of Representatives have had a sequel. 'No Confidence' in the Prime Minister was the burden of the

"No Confidence" In The Speaker

Mr. Suntheralingam Gives Notice of Motion

Notice of a motion of no confidence in the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Mr. A. F. Molamure has been given by Mr. C. Suntheralingam, M.P. for Vavuniya.

The motion is as follows:—"That as Mr. Speaker has by his orders made two flags to fly over Parliament Building House sitting and thereby compelled Members to submit themselves to a situation not authorised by this House or by Legislative Enactment, he has forfeited the confidence of this House"

the Manager, Paranthan Farm or from the Range Agricultural Instructors of the district, or from the Office of the Divisional Agricultural Officer, N. D., Kilinochchi.

P. B. Bulankulama, Esq., M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture and Lands, open the Farmers' Day at 10 a. m.

sing of the 'Hammer and Sickle' opera opposition. Now by way of a change of note, the Speaker has been selected for this honour. Political flag flying is not a very pleasant pastime. But it is really a flight of the imagination to say that there is any authorised flag to glide gently in the free Air of Sri Lanka. And Mr. Suntheralingam cannot be far wrong in working up his own imagination to any flight of fancy over this flutter.

Bearding the Lion

When Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam was appointed to the 'Flag' Committee it was freely whispered in T. C. circles by his clam-follower that the lion would be bearded in its own den. Nothing has been heard of any such duel. Much water has flown beneath the Elephant Pass Bridge since then. There is now more of heralding the lion than bearding it. Co-opt the stormy petrel of Vavuniya Electorate to the 'Flag' Committee? That is a suggestion well with experimenting. Members and Ministers may come and go but the flag flies as ever.

Tallpiece

COLOUR CONSULTANT'S HINT FOR EDITORS

Faber Birren of New York, a colour consultant has suggestions for stimulating activity and includes an illustration:—

"Editorial writers should get their ideas in Red-Decorated Rooms and retire to Blue-Green Rooms to write". "RED" ideology need not be like a rag to a bull; if set in blue-green border, it can still be grazed a memorandum.

Badulla Saivaparipalana Sangam

23rd Annual General Meeting

The 23rd Annual General Meeting of the Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam was held at the Saraswathy Vidyasalai Hall on 12-2-49 at 5 p. m. with Mr. R. Ramasubramanian B. A. (Hons) in the chair. Before the business meeting started Mr. K. Kanagaretnam M. P. Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education addressed a large gathering in Tamil and pleaded for the removal of untouchability.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed by the Sangam at its Annual General Meeting.

1. "Since there are no good schools for Tamils and specially for Hindus in Badulla, the Saiva Paripalana Sangam should leave no stone unturned for the conversion of Saraswathy School into an English Junior School and gradually into a College. A School Building Committee should be appointed for this purpose.

2. The Sangam views it with grave concern that either the Government or the Members of Parliament took no action for the free entry of the depressed classes into the public places such as temples and schools and requests the Members of Parliament to take immediate steps to make laws through Parliament for that purpose, following India.

3. Even though provisions were made in the Code of Education for the religious instructions in Government and assisted schools, the Government did not enforce them so far. Therefore, the Sangam requests the Government and the Members of Parliament to take immediate steps to enforce those provisions.

4. Despite the constant requests made by many Hindu Organisations in Ceylon, Devalali was not declared a public holiday. The Sangam requests the Government to declare it a public holiday from this year either as an additional holiday or in place of Adi New Moon day if the Government contemperate that it would increase the public holidays.

Then the following office-bearers were elected for the current year.

President: Mr. R. Ramasubramanian B. A. (Hons); Vice-Presidents: Messrs. N. Canagasabapathy and S. K. Shanmugampillai; Secretary: Mr. S. Arumugaraajah; Asst. Secretaries Messrs. N. Pasupathipillai and V. Kandiah; Treasurer: Mr. S. Kandiah and Asst. Treasurer: Mr. V. Ponnampalam.

Northern Province V. C. Peons Union

A deputation from the Northern Province V. C. Peons Union consisting of the Patron Mr. A. T. Vethaparaman Chairman V. C. Vaddukoddai and advisers Messrs. K. Kallaspillai Chairman V. C. Allappiddy and K. Chiniah Secretary V. C. Mallakam met Mr. V. C. Jayasuriya Commissioner of Local Government and presented their grievances to him at the Jaffna Rest House on Tuesday the 15th instant. On behalf of the Peons Messrs. K. Sivasubramanian Peon V. C. Mallakam and K. Sivasambu Peon V. C. Nallur were present. A detailed suggestion with regard to the increase of revenue of the village committees was presented to the Commissioner in the form a memorandum.

2 Years for Murdering Brother-in-law

N. Kandavaram of Elalai North was sentenced to 2 years R. I. by Mr. Justice Gratien for committing a murder by causing the death of his brother-in-law S. Sivassambo of Elalai North, by cutting him with a knife.

After the trial the Jury found the accused guilty of culpable homicide not amounting to murder.

Crown Counsel Mr. A. Rajasingham prosecuted and Mr. A. Sumbandan with Mr. J. Rajaratnam instructed by Mr. T. C. Rajaretnam defended the accused.

Legal Changes

New Permanent Secretary

Mr. V. L. St. Clair Swan, Commissioner of Assize, has been appointed Permanent Secretary to the Minister of Justice, it is learned, and will be assuming duties about the beginning of next month.

Mr. R. R. Crossette Ihabiah, Commissioner of Assize, has been appointed to act as Solicitor-General from March 12 consequent on Mr. Alan Rose, the Attorney General going on leave on March 11. Mr. M. F. S. Palle K. C., the Solicitor-General will act as Attorney-General.

Kiran Sankar Roy Dead

Sj. Kiran Sankar Roy, Home Minister, Government of West Bengal died at 9-20 on Sunday morning at his Calcutta residence at 8, Theatre Road. He was 58.

Sj. Roy passed a restless day on Saturday but even a few hours before his death he was quite conscious. He had been suffering from intestinal troubles for the past few weeks. He was gradually improving but there was a setback in his condition on Saturday.

Office Of The D. R. O. Vali-North

The office of the D. R. O. Valigamam North will be situated with effect from 28-2-49, on the Manipay-Koithady Road about 300 Yds. from the Maruthanamadam Junction towards Uduvil Girls' English School.

The Birthday Of Sri Ramakrishna Deva

This day will be observed at the Ramakrishna Mission Wellawatta on Tuesday, the 1st March, 1949 according to the following program: 9 A. M.—12 noon: Puja, Prayers and Devotional Music. 6 P. M.—8 P. M. Puja, Prayers, Discourses and Devotional Music. There will be a Radio talk on Sri Ramakrishna on 1st March at 5-45 p. m.

Agriculture & Health Film Show

Under the auspices of the Van-North-East Community Centre The United Tractor and Equipment Ltd., of Colombo, screened at the Jaffna Hindu Ladies' College on 19-2-49 half a dozen films in Technicolour including those showing (a) Modern methods of Cultivation (b) Boss of Bull Dozers (c) Health films (d) Mosquitoes and Malaria

A large gathering of pupils, peasants and public watched them with rapt attention.

This show was under the distinguished patronage of W.A.P. Cook, Esq. M.A. (Agri. Ec. n.) President of the Northern Division Agricultural Producers' Co-operative Union Ltd. Jaffna. In a short introductory speech he stressed the importance of changing the present antiquated system to modern mechanised methods of cultivation and thereby saving time, labour and expense. He also congratulated Mr. E.P. Rasiyah, the Secretary of the Centre, for the arrangements made to make the show the success it was.

The pupils of the Ladies' College delighted the audience with a few select songs.

Our Astrological Feature

WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRIPATY"

FROM 27TH FEBRUARY TO 5TH MARCH, 1949.

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

Although a favourable week financially you will have much expenditure too. A change of place and heavy responsibilities in your work shown. Domestic affairs will be unsettled.

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

A very favourable week after Tuesday. Be alert to a new opportunity in business or profession. Enjoyable week end shown.

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

If you are cautious and know where to invest, this week promises well financially. Be careful in official affairs as petty official troubles is indicated. Avoid excursions of a romantic nature.

CANCER Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

New schemes will develop more rapidly than expected. Be in contact with your friends and relatives and you are sure to gain much through them. Spend the first 2 days of the week carefully.

LEO Maha, Poora, Uttirats 1 part—[Singha Rasi]

Concentrate on work. Avoid clashes and official troubles on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Personal affairs look disturbing. Be calm and tactful throughout this week.

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

Business prospects are good and improvement in financial position also shown. You will see some pleasant developments at home. Spend week end carefully.

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

You will be able to settle some important affairs this week. Take care of your health and curb wasteful spending. Avoid new or doubtful ventures for some time.

SCORPIO Visaka 4, Anusha, Kattai [Vrischika Rasi]

Friends may betray you this week. You may have a difficult time with older relatives at home. Don't hit your head against a stone wall when clashes come in.

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

A very good week. Sudden developments will throw a light on financial affairs. Rapid developments in a new scheme and personal success also shown.

Tagore's "Sacrifice"

At Jaffna Hindu Ladies College

The Jaffna Hindu Ladies College Dramatic Association will present Tagore's "Sacrifice" at the College Campus this evening at 5-30.

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

Comparatively a better week than the previous one. You will need to be on guard against impulsiveness and avoid excursions of a romantic nature.

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

A little luck shown after set back and difficulties. Both business and personal life will be affected a bit after mid-week. Exercise patience.

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

This week promises to be a good one financially. You will stand to gain much from elder members of your family. Week end favours property improvement and link-up with important people.

Ramakrishna Mission Wellawatte

Maha Sivaratiri will be observed at the above address on Saturday, the 26th February, 1949. There will be Puja, Prayers, and Devotional Music during the whole night.

OBITUARY

KANNAKIAMMAL

The death occurred on 22-2-49 of Srimathi Kannakiammal wife of Mr. M. Velautham of Karaveddy East. The last rites were performed by his son Mr. M. Sathasivam K. V.

The Chief mourners were her son Mr. Sathasivam and her sons-in-law Mr. S. K. Rajasingham (Education Officer, Colombo), Mr. M. Sittambalam (Malayan Railway) and Mr. K. S. Durai of Neeraviadi.

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APPRECIATIONS RECEIVED BY THE MANAGING DIRECTOR AND ORGANISER

Madras, 28-1-49
Dear Sir,
I like to inform you that I have great pleasure to accept the post of Chief Examiner and General Supervisor from this year in your school of dancing.
I also heartily congratulate you for the lead you have taken to establish a school of dancing in the Tamil Nad of Lanka.
Wish your enterprise all success and eternal blessing of Lord Natarajah,
Thanking you,
Sgd. NATANA KALA NIDHI
GOPINATH
Director Natana Nivetan
Madras
Municipal Office,
Jaffna, 18th February 49.
Dear Mr. Rasanayagam,
Jaffna should be proud of you for the lead you have taken in opening The School of an-

cing in Jaffna with branches at other places, such a school was no doubt a long felt need for Jaffna.
I am also delighted to find that you have secured the services of no less a person than Sri Gopinath who is the greatest exponent of the Kathakali Art to help you, as examiner & general supervisor. This alone proves the keen interest you are taking in this direction.
Knowing as I do your organising capacity, I wish the school all success, and personally hope that all parents will co-operate with, and assist you in reviving this ancient Iravadian Art of ours.
Wishing you all success.
Yours Sincerely
Sgd. S. M. A. SABAPATHY
Mayor of Jaffna

Vannarponnai 8-2-49
Dear Mr. Rasanayagam,
My congratulations on having secured the services of young Subbiah, who had completed his studies in dancing under Gopinath in the Indian School of Kathakali Dancing, Madras.
The children of Jaffna are fortunate in their first opportunity to study dancing in a scientific way.
There is both system and method in teaching and Kathakali dancing involves physical strain. Even if all the pupils do not turn out professional dancers the development of bodily grace is a pre-requisite of Education. In this sense at least the popularising of this great and ancient art in prosaic Jaffna will be an invaluable asset to our future generation.
The fees charge are very low obviously you want to popularise the art. I hope larger numbers will avail themselves of this opportunity.
You and your school of dancing have my blessings in this noble endeavour.
Sgd. A. SAMBANDAN
LL.B. (Lond) Advocate

Navaly, 2-2-49
Dear Sir,
It gives me great pleasure to inform you of the progress the pupils in dancing are making at Navaly. At last we have found a tutor who can give them a sound education. I am surprised at the patience and pains the tutor undergoes in giving individual attention. He seems never tired. I have to thank you for having taken the initiative I shall always be willing to render you all assistance in this

line. I wish you make the school popular throughout Jaffna so that every girl may have an opportunity of getting trained.
Sgd. K. CHORNALINGAM
Inspector, Prudential Assurance Co.
Point Pedro, 10-2-49
My dear Mr. Rasanayagam,
It gives me great pleasure to thank you for having opened a branch of the school of dancing in Point Pedro. I am sure that however orthodox Jaffna society may be no one will deny that in the interests of the future generations this great art must be made as popular as possible both from the point of giving physical grace and

strength but also of broadening the vision of our women folk.
It is fortunate that you have secured the services of Mr. Subbiah who seems to be more interested in teaching the students than to earn a few rupees.
Judging from the enthusiasm a number of people are showing it looks as if you would require more teachers and in that event I hope you would select people of the type of Mr. Subbiah.
I am sure that the whole of Jaffna will thank you if not now at least in the future when they see grace and beauty in every young man and woman.
Please march forward with your programme.
Thanking You
Sgd. C. THARMAKULASINGHAM
Proctor S. C.

