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State Craft As Depicted In Mahabharata

Rulers Must Be Wise Just And Benevolent

In an article on the 'Message of Mahabharata' in the *Indo-Asian Culture* by Prof. Tripurari Chakravarti M. A. gives a comprehensive account of the kingly duties as performed by the Kings of old. Those who have taken upon the responsibility of governing the people in Sri Lanka will do well to study the Mahabharata at least those references to the duties of rulers.

Bhisma was never tired of emphasizing that justice should be meted out to all alike, and that all the people in the State, without any distinction whatsoever, should be made to feel that they were living under the paternal care of the king. Conditions of good life for all persons in the State should be created by the king, for he is the dispenser of justice and the architect of the destiny of the people of the kingdom. There was no such thing as inexorable fate or a predestined lot for his subjects. The king ordains what is good as well as what is evil for the kingdom. The king is the epoch-maker, and different epochs in human history are the results of State endeavour. Such being the case, it was the bounden duty of the king to regard his subjects as his own children and to promote their happiness in every possible manner. Such a king is worthy of the highest honour, and of the best traditions of his office.

Similar ideas were inculcated by Narada when he appeared before the court of Yudhishthira at Indraprastha, just after his enthronement there. Narada quite pertinently asked the newly enthroned king Yudhishthira if all the blind, deaf, mute, maimed, or otherwise physically disabled persons as also wandering monks in his kingdom were being carefully looked after and protected by Yudhishthira as his children. He also inquired if similar treatment was being meted out to orphans, the weak, the helpless, and the refugees in the State. We have

abundant evidence in the Mahabharata to show that this ideal of kingly duties was ever present before monarchs and statesmen. In the *Virataparvan*, Arjuna lays special emphasis on this aspect of Yudhishthira's statecraft. He proclaims before the whole assembly of the Matsya Court in no uncertain voice, that Yudhishthira, as king, completely fulfilled his kingly duties by maintaining like his sons all the old, infirm,

disabled, poor, and helpless persons in the State.

In the *Anusasanaparvan* Bhisma dwells on the same theme of social justice. He says that the means of subsistence of the old, the minors, the blind, and the destitute should be particularly protected. The king must not extort taxes from those who are sorely distressed. Honest and upright men should be saved from the pangs of hunger. What can be more criminal for country than to have within its bounds starving children looking on, while others enjoy delicious dishes? Learned men cannot properly take care of themselves. They should be made free from hunger and want. Let it not happen that 'chill penury repressed their noble rage'. Such repression is tantamount, in its enormity, to the crime of throttling an embryo in the womb—nipping in the bud immense possibilities whose fruition might be

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LANGUAGE DISCRIMINATION AT THE UNIVERSITY

Condemnation by N. P. T. A.

At a meeting of the Executive Council of the Northern Province Teachers' Association, the recommendation of the University Senate that Sinhalese should be made the only medium of instruction in the University at Peradeniya was severely condemned. A resolution to this effect was unanimously passed.

"Whereas the University of Ceylon is the only residential national university in this country for the youth of all communities, irrespective of linguistic differences, this Association strongly condemns the attempts that are being made to impose Sinhalese as a compulsory language or medium of instruction for all students."

"A subtle but serious attempt is being made to

rob us of our rights in the only national university in this country. Let the authorities do it if they can. But we are not prepared to be kicked out in this manner without a fight," said Mr. N. Sabaratnam, President of the Northern Province Teachers' Association.

Mr. Sabaratnam asked the Council to take steps to resist the sinister move and added that Tamil students should not be compelled to learn Sinhalese for graduation as such a condition had no precedent and was an open discrimination against the Tamil students who had a right for education at the Ceylon University as any others.

In conclusion the President suggested that they should not surrender their rights without struggle or

NEW UNIVERSITIES FOR CEYLON

In other parts of the world the Minister of Education, the Cabinet and Parliament seldom, of their own responsibility, make far-reaching changes in the educational system, but always take care to appoint a representative Commission of experts and base their reforms on its recommendations. It is only in Ceylon that political opportunism rather

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

than the economic and social needs of the country dominates educational policy and a Fascist Minister feels himself fully competent and free to transform the entire system to humour the most vociferous elements of the electorate and communal die-hards. Mr. Dahanayake does not find any use for consulting educationists and experts. On

resistance and added that the N. P. T. A. should focus public attention on this subtle attempt to force Sinhalese down the throats of their youth.

Mr. A. E. Tamber said the University of Ceylon was a national university catering to the youth of all communities and for many years it would be the only residential university where the young people of all communities would meet and live together and develop a consciousness of the unity of Ceylon.

Mr. Tamber added that this University was established by more than fifty years of effort of the leaders of all communities, Sinhalese, Tamils, Muslims and Burghers and that the halls of residence there would bear testimony to the patriotism of the pioneers of the movement which achieved the realisation of the University of Ceylon.

the contrary he takes pride that he owes his ideas of education to his intuitive perception of the needs of the masses rather than to any educational text-books. If he had consulted educationists like Prof. Green and Prof. Eliezer his self sufficiency would have been sobered a bit and he would have realised the true bearings of his policy. The Fascist that he is, he consults only his inferiors or the communalists with the same outlook. He protests that his educational set up is not designed to placate the Bikkhus, but only to advance the cultural and political needs of the country. But it is patent to the meanest intelligence that the proposal to raise every Pirivena to University status and the elaborate and expensive schemes to give employment to Sinhalese Swabasa teachers and the tampering with examination standards can have no ulterior end other than that of redeeming election pledges. Unfortunately the Prime Minister whose western culture and ability should have placed him in a position to tone down the Minister is too weak or too opportunist himself to exercise any influence. He has really surrendered his discretion to the masterful personalities in his Cabinet.

It is obvious that the University at Peradeniya cannot adequately serve the needs of Ceylon. Large numbers of students are denied admission every year and are compelled to seek admission to Indian Universities or prepare for London examinations. The Universities of England are an association of colleges under a unified control and enjoying autonomy. The logical remedy for

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Treasure These Thoughts

Do not think that you can worship God only by sitting in any one particular place. You can think of Him by repeating His name even when you are engaged in your daily work.

ANNEXATION OF EASTERN EUROPE?

ONE is reminded of the feverish activities of Hitlerite Germany that preceded the outbreak of World War II when one analyses the cynical movements of Soviet troops in the entire frontier of Eastern Europe. But the messages that were sent early this week to Sir Anthony Eden, M. Guy Mollet and Mr. Chou En-lai by Marshal Bulganin suggesting a 'Summit Conference' to arrive at a formula for securing a relaxation in the tension in international affairs go further and remind one of the several smoke-screens that were drawn across the mobilisation of German troops in 1939 in the form of international talks. That the Soviet statesmen perhaps have begun to fool their Big Power Colleagues with a vengeance is made clear by Marshal Bulganin's explanation of the need for fresh talks on disarmament in his message to Mr. Chou En-lai—The armed attack of Britain, France and Israel on Egypt has caused a serious aggravation of the international tension.—The

cold-blooded massacre of the Hungarian people and the threat that has been uttered to the nations governed by the Warsaw Pact by the free movement of foreign troops in those countries and the veiled intimidation that has been issued to States that lie on the border of Moscow—managed States have been considered as being congenial to the atmosphere of peace-making!

This Russian move is a ruse to lead the Big Powers astray so that the Red design to encircle Eastern Europe and extend the Soviet frontier closer to the borders of Western Europe may be executed in the sly. The Communist propaganda has taken the form of a pincer movement that will help to liquidate all opposition to the expansion of Russian influence the world over.

The U. N. has been set a problem by the aggressor nations. The resolutions of this World organisation calling for the withdrawal of foreign troops from Egypt and Hungary have been defied with impunity. The stage for a full war has been set.

Annexation of Eastern Europe by Russia and the occupation of the Suez Area by the Western Powers have been done in devilish defiance of the expressed opinion of the rest of the world. Aggressor nations have expressed disregard and disrespect for moral might. But will the rest of the world marshal the entire might of moral force in the name of mankind and order back this mad military mission of Russia France and England.

Wayside Whisper

MEDICAL MESS

Transfers of medical officers holding office in the G. M. O. A. were made and unmade within the all-too-short space of a week.

The Minister of Health is understood have ordered the cancellation of the proposed transfers. The Medical Department's action in ordering the transfers has been condemned by the Minister as tactless. Tactlessness is not confined merely to this Department. It extends beyond Departments and covers Ministerial activities also.

PETROL PROBLEM

While the oil problem has taken a serious turn

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the lack of accommodation at Peradenya is to set up University Colleges at Colombo, Galle and Jaffna under a unified system or to confer external degrees as in London. But the idea of immediately setting up a number of shoddy institutions in various parts of Ceylon is chimerical and will defeat the ends of education. It can only flatter the complacency of demagogues.

A university must have competent professors, adequate halls of residence, lectures halls, library and proper facilities for teaching and research in science. It must also embrace many or all faculties in arts and sciences. A pirivena can never be a university of this type. In can only flatter the vanities of the Bikkus. It can only serve to divert public funds from other and more useful purposes. Its products will be Rip Van Winkles who cannot make any valuable contribution to the country's welfare. Already the Arts Graduates cannot find employment. To multiply Singhalese graduates far in excess of the country's needs is stupidity. If the Government is anxious to encourage Singhalese and Buddhist scholarship it can do it best by offering sufficient inducement for the study of these subjects without creating new universities. Besides the Pirivenas are not all of the same standard in scholarship and do not all possess competent scholars. Their examination and teaching standards will vary considerably. They lack a modern approach which is essential for the creation of modern literature and art. If Pirivena education is so vital to the development of Singhalese culture, the best course to adopt is not to raise them to University status, but to appoint a

Board to evolve a unified system of education and conduct common examinations for all of them.

Mr. Dahanayake is too considerate for the welfare of the Tamils and proposes to raise a particular institution in Jaffna to University status. Neither the authorities of the institution nor any sensible person in Jaffna will feel flattered by the Ministers' concern for Jaffna. For nobody wants a shoddy degree factory. The Minister says that the establishment of a Tamil University is the necessary corollary to the new set up created by the switch over to Swabhasa in the S. S. C. classes. What is this Tamil university to do in the North? To take over the conduct of S. S. C. and H. S. C. examinations? Or to confer degrees in Tamil as the Pirivenas are about to do? It is now proposed to switch over University education to Singhalese in the near future. Does the Minister propose to shut out the Peradeniya University to the Tamils in a year or two? That is the grand scheme in the minds of the M. E. P. and the Singhalese communalists. Let the Tamils fall in line by studying Singhalese in all seriousness or be denied facilities for scientific and technical education and be satisfied with a shoddy university of their own. If the M.E.P. is serious in promoting the welfare of the Tamils, let them appoint a Commission of Tamil educationists and experts to draw up a scheme for a Tamil University and on the basis of their recommendation proceed forthwith to put up the necessary buildings so that the University may become a reality in five or six years. Let them not try to fool the Tamils.

Vivekananda Society Celebrates Naval Day

The Vivekananda Society, Colombo has made elaborate arrangements to celebrate the Gurupooja of Sri La Sri Arumuganavalar, the Hindu Saint and Scholar, at the Society's Headquarters in Vivekananda Hill, Colombo on Saturday and Sunday, the 24th and 25th November, 1956.

Prominent among the speakers who will participate in the celebrations

What's on War? Why and Where?

BULGARIA

Russian troop movements in Bulgaria have caused considerable alarm: Hungary, Poland Yugoslavian border and Rumania are in the intriguing position of a long frontier where the Red Army has taken up position on a war-footing.

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YUGOSLAVIA

Marshal Tito has become the target of Communist fury. The vituperative abuse that is being hurled on the Communist 'Rebel' suggests that sooner or later Soviet troops will march into Yugoslavia to protect the people!

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LONDON

The cold war has caught Sir Anthony Eden in its grip. The British Premier who had the nerve to attack Egypt has subjected himself to an attack of nerves!

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EGYPT

The Egyptian Foreign Minister alleges that Anglo-French aggression still continues in the Suez Canal and that no clearing work in the Canal area could be undertaken. But it is not the Canal zone alone that requires clearing. The vast stretch from Poland to the Adriatic Coast also needs clearing.

is Mr. A. S. Gnanasambandan, former Lecturer in Tamil at the Pachchappan College, Madras and presently attached to the All India Radio, Madras as its Drama Producer,

The opening session on Saturday, commencing at 5.45 p. m. will be presided over by Mr. K. Alvapillai, the President of the Society and will be addressed by Mr. Gnanasambandan and Pandit K. Mailvaganan.

The Morning session on Sunday, commencing at 9.30 a. m. will include the Naval Memorial Oratorical Contest in which candidates drawn from various parts of the Island will compete. Pandit K. P. Ratnam will preside over the evening session at 5 p. m., which will be addressed by Swami Satchidananda Yogi, Mr. Gnanasambandan and Miss Thangamma Appakuddy.

Centre-Circumference Co-Operation In Local Govt. Affairs

Analysis In Administration Report-1955

(BY COMMISSIONER OF LOCAL GOVT)

The most outstanding event of the year so far as local government is concerned was the publication of the Report on Local Government by the Choksy Commission in the last week of December 1955. It contains a comprehensive and detailed analysis of the Local Government structure and its relation to governmental machinery and important recommendations regarding future lines of development both in the sphere of administration and of finance. As anticipated controversy has already arisen in regard to proposals dealing with Regional Councils, Water Board, Taxation and Finance, Rural Development and powers of the L. G. S. C.

Two points of view, according to their intensity and preponderating influence during particular periods, have been responsible for the vicissitudes of local government more perhaps than any other factor. One clings tenaciously to the idea that conflict between the Centre and Circumference is inevitable and the demands of local authorities should be resisted with vigour. The other encourages the belief, almost to the point of a ritual, that the Central authority is hostile and wholly unsympathetic to local bodies. Accordingly on the one hand whether it be in regard to extension of powers, grant of financial assistance or recognition of the voluntary services rendered by members, a spirit of disinclination has often manifested itself. On the other, the refusal to co-operate, and indulgence in immoderate attacks on the Central Authority have revealed the innermost feelings of local bodies.

There can be very little progress without a full realisation of the part that the Central Authority as well as the local bodies have to play in the development of the country. Economic uplift is not possible without providing at the base public health measures, vocational training and means of communications. Similarly spiritual regeneration and moral rearmament can take place only if clean and healthy recreation,

schemes of Social welfare and essential civic amenities are provided by active co-operation of the Centre with the Circumference. In the steady march towards a welfare state mere distinctions such as Central and Local Government are of no great significance, and what is important is that the division of functions should be such as will accelerate and not retard the rate of progress.

While the need to alter the pattern and structure of bodies that suited an age in which the tempo of progress was slow and even is clearly admitted, it is necessary to bear in mind, the capacity and special features of the mechanism when a major change is contemplated. Public health measures have not received the same attention at the hands of local authorities as glamorous schemes that attract public attention, although seventy-five per cent of the activities of local bodies is connected with health and sanitation. The rapid increase in the incidence of filariasis and bowel diseases, and the failure to control the spread of tuberculosis can be partly attributed to the apathy of local bodies and their neglect in providing funds needed for elementary measures of prevention and control. The argument that funds are not available has little substance. Resort to an increase of taxes and rates is not only possible but vitally necessary. However, Councils will not take this step for fear of offending the ratepayers.

In the task of providing better sanitation and health facilities or improved civic amenities, the voting of funds alone is not going to ensure a healthy, contented and prosperous nation. That which is vitally important is the functioning of the executive machinery set up to channel the resources to the public at large in the shape of technical services, trained personnel, and efficient administration. The problem that faces local government is not so much lack of funds as the lack of initiative in attending to the essential needs of the people in an

efficient, impartial and considerate manner. Although the pay, prospects and privileges of the employees of the Local Government Service have been brought into line with those of Public Servants, there is a general feeling that the quality of services rendered by them has not changed materially.

While the growth of Trade Unionism employees of local authorities is a desirable step, it is unfortunate that the benefits of pooled experience which Union members can make available to the management with a view to affecting economy and reducing wasteful expenditure have not accrued to local authorities. A classic example of avoidable wasteful expenditure which an energetic Mayor brought to light by establishing a security service was the case where money was doled out for the removal of refuse to alleged cart contractors who were mainly fictitious persons. This state of affairs could well be avoided if employee Unions which ask for their rights and privileges also consider the interests of the ratepayers and assist the executive in checking extravagance and waste. The principle of co-opting members of the public to all Standing Committees of local authorities, if adopted, might well pave the way for the exercise of greater vigilance and care over the performance of duties and disbursement of funds by paid executives.

Some of the more powerful Unions of employees have become adepts at the game of playing off the local authorities against the L. G. S. C. and achieving their ends without much regard to the real interests of the ratepayers. In the case of several local authorities the personal emoluments bill is rising rapidly while revenue sources remain more or less static and amenities to ratepayers dwindle gradually. While it is generally admitted that the powers of local authorities should be enlarged in order to make these bodies more useful to the Community, the cry for enhan-

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BOOK REVIEW

Jagadguru Sivananda

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The publication comes out as a souvenir in commemoration of the successful All-India Divine Life Conference held at Salem in 1955. Along with the speeches delivered at the conference it contains some of the soul-elevating writings of Sri Swami Sivanandaji.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No, 239

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Kandavanam Ponnambalam of Vannarponnai West, Jaffna.

Deceased

Ponnambalam Nadarajah of Vannarponnai West presently of Irrigation Department, Kilinochy

Petitioner

This matter of the Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner praying for Letters of Administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased Kandavanam Ponnambalam coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 31st day of October 1956 in the presence of Mr. M. R. Karalasingham, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit and Petition of the abovenamed Petitioner having been read, it is declared that the Petitioner sole heir of the said deceased and is entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the said intestate issued to him unless any other person or persons shall on or before the 30th day of November 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the Contrary.

Jaffna this 31st day of October 1956

Sgd. P. Sri Skanda Rajah District Judge

Drawn by Sgd. M. R. Karalasingham Proctor for Petitioner

(O. 289 16 & 23)

ORDER "NISI" DECLARING WILL PROVED

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 194.

I. Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah of Jaffna Town Petitioner Vs

1. Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah, Stephen of Central Bank Colombo, 2. Margaret wife of Thuraisingam of Gampaha, 3. Thuraisingam Proctor S. C. Gampaha, 4. Francis wife of S. Ratnasingam of Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur, 5. S. Ratnasingam of Ipoh, Kuala Lumpur, 6. Pedurupillai, Cyril Ponniah Louis of Clerical Order, Rome, 7. Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah Alfred Victor Teacher, Gampaha, 8. Laissa Mary daughter of Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah of Mangalore, 9. Minor, Theresa Grace daughter of Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah of Holy Family Convent Jaffna, 10. minor Regina Stella daughter of Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah of Holy Family Convent Jaffna, 11. Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah Joseph, 12. Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah George both of St. Patricks College, Jaffna, 13. Manuel Philip Joseph of Jaffna Police Station

Respondents

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Mariammah wife of Pedurupillai Cyril Ponniah of Jaffna Town

Deceased

This matter coming on for disposal before P. Sri Skanda Rajah Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 14th day of September 1956 in the presence of Mr. T. Arianayakam Proctor on the part of the petitioner and the affidavit of the abovenamed petitioner and of the witnesses to the Last Will dated 8th July, 7th September and 23rd August 1956 having been read.

It is ordered that the Will of the abovenamed deceased dated 16th August 1952 and numbered 1135 be and the same is hereby declared proved unless the respondents or others interested shall on or before the 14th day of December 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of the Court to the contrary.

It is further declared that the said 13th respondent be appointed Guardian-ad-Litem over the minors 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th respondents and that the said petitioner be declared entitled to have probate of the Last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased as sole legatee and Executor mentioned in the said Will and directing that the said Will be declared proved unless the Respondents or any others interested shall on or before the 14th day of December 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

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

This 14th Sept. 1956

(Sgd.) N. Sivagnanasunderam, District Judge, Jaffna.

Drawn by T. Arianayakam Proctor for Petitioner. (O 268. 16, 23)

SAGUNA DHYANA

SAGUNA meditation is meditation on a form or object. This is a concrete form of meditation for people of devotional temperament. This is meditation with Gunas, or the attributes of God.

Select any Murti of God you like best, either Siva, Vishnu, Ganapathi or Skanda according to your inclination or taste. An archer first aims at grosser, bigger objects. Then he takes up medium objects. Finally he shoots at finer and subtle objects. Even so, one should take to Saguna meditation to start with and when the mind is trained and disciplined well, the Nirguna or Nirakara meditation will come by itself.

Sit on either Padma, Siddha or Sukha Asana with the head, neck and the trunk in a straight

line. Place a picture of your Ishta Devata in front of you; for example, a picture of Lord Siva. Gaze at the picture steadily for some time, then close your

By
SWAMI SIVANANADA

eyes and try to visualise the form either in the space between the eyebrows or within the heart or on the tip of the nose, as you may find convenient. During visualization, move the mind on the various parts of the Deity. If it is a picture of Hari visualize His feet first and then in the following order: His legs, His yellow silk cloth; His golden necklace studded with gems on His neck, then the face, the crown on the head, then the discus in the right upper

hand, the conch in the left upper hand, the mace in the lower right hand and the lotus in the left lower hand. Then come down to the feet in the same process. Repeat this process again and again. Finally fix the mind either at the feet or face.

When the form gets faded or shaky, open your eyes and steadily gaze at the picture again. Then visualize the form within. Continue this process till you are able to meditate perfectly without the aid of the pictures. While meditating repeat the Ishta Mantra of Lord Hari "Om Namō Nārāyaṇāya" mentally. Think of His attributes like Omnipresence, Omnipotence, Omniscience, purity, merciful nature, etc. If you meditate within the heart, i. e. on Anshata Chakra, think that Lord Hari is seated or standing on the blazing lotus of sixteen petals and His

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Astrological

WEEKLY FORECASTS

'SRI PATHY'

FROM 25-11-56 TO 1-12-56

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

Unnecessary trips and financial difficulties shown this week. Misunderstandings with friends and troubles through secret enemies also shown. Health must be given particular care.

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

You will have to face a lot of criticisms and obstructions in your affairs this week. Quarrels in the domestic circle also possible. But financially a good week.

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

You will be able to steer clear of obstacles this week. Financial conditions will continue to improve. Fame and triumph over competitors also promised.

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

Troubles in the office likely this week. You may earn the displeasure of superior officers. There will be no peace of mind. Health upsets also not ruled out.

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

You will have to work hard for your success this week. But financial gains promised. Troubles through maternal relatives shown. Accidents also indicated.

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

Relief from pre-existing worries promised this week. Opposition will slowly melt away. Expenditure will be heavier than usual. But professionally a good week.

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

You will be quick to pick up quarrels this week. Expenditure will rise. Health will be far from satisfactory. Eye troubles likely.

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

Your mind will not be at ease throughout this week. Health upsets also shown. Financial gains promised but at the same time there will be some heavy expenditure also.

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

You will have to face some opposition in your affairs this week. Investments not advisable at present. You may find it difficult to recover old debts. Avoid clashes with superiors.

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

The first two days must be spent with care. Clashes in the domestic circle likely. Rest of the week will be quite favourable for new deals.

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

The first two days will be favourable for new deals. Tuesday and Wednesday will be very upsetting. Rest of the week will turn favourable again. But there will be no mental peace.

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

The first half of the week will be favourable. Financial gains promised. New ventures will bring in good results. But Thursday, Friday and Saturday must be spent with care.

Order Nisi

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 117

In The Matter of the Estate of the late Kandappu Navaratnasamy of Alvai North

Deceased
Ponnammah widow of Karthigesu of 19, Oddumadam Road, Jaffna
Petitioner

Vs

1. Sinnathamangam widow of Kandappu
2. Sethupathy widow of Navaratnasamy both of Alvai.

Respondents

This matter coming on for final disposal before P. Sri Skandā Rajah, Esquire, District Judge, Jaffna on the 30th day of October 1956 in the presence of Mr. Prince. R. Rajendra, Proctor, on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit and petition of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that Letters of Administration to the Estate of the abovenamed deceased be issued to the Petitioner unless the Respondents or any other person or persons shall appear before this court on or before the 29th day of November 1956 and show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary

This 30th day of October 1956
Sgd N. Sivagnanasunderam
Addl. District Judge
Drawn by
Sgd Prince. R. Rajendra
Proctor for petitioner
(O. 287 16 & 23).

ORDER

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No 245

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of the late Thimungupillai Francis of Chundikuli

Deceased
1. Chelliah Henry Duraisamy and wife 2. Mary Regina Selvaratnam Duraisamy of Chundikuli
Petitioners

Vs

1. Rose Francis of Chundikuli 2. Thimungupillai Joseph of Pungankulam Road, Jaffna 3. Thimungupillai Anthonipillai of Pandiyathalvu, Jaffna 4. Thimungupillai Bathelomous of 5th Cross Street, Jaffna 5. Thimungupillai Benedict of Power House Road, Batticaloa
Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasunderam Esqr. Additional District Judge Jaffna on the 29th day of October 1956 in the presence of Mr. D. Rajadurai Proctor on the part

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 246

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Kumarasamy Kuruparan of Vaddukoddai west. Deceased.

Chellammah widow of Sithamparapillai of Vaddukoddai west

Petitioner.

Vs.

1. Naganathapillai Kumarasamy, 2. Kanapathipillai Arumugam and wife, 3. Thangammah, 4. Vythialingam Arunasalam and wife 5. Saraswathy, 6. Sithamparapillai Apputhurai all of Vaddukoddai west.

Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasunderam Esquire, Additional District Judge of Jaffna on the 30th day of October 1956 in the presence of Mr. N. Ehamparam, Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the petitioner abovenamed be and she is hereby declared entitled as heir of the deceased abovenamed to have Letters of Administration to the estate of the deceased issued to her accordingly unless the Respondents abovenamed or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 30th day of November 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

The 30th day of October 1956.

Sgd P. Sri Skanda Rajah
District Judge.
(O. 285. 16 & 23).

of the petitioners and the affidavits of the abovenamed 2nd petitioner and the affidavit of the witness and the Notary attesting the Last Will having been read,

It is ordered that the Last Will of the abovenamed deceased Thimungupillai Francis dated 8th day of July 1956 and attested by D. Rajadurai Notary Public under No. 3097 be and the same is hereby declared proved and that the 2nd petitioner as the executrix named in the said Will is entitled to have probate of the same issued to her accordingly unless the respondents or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 30th day of November 1956 show cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary

The 29th day of October 1956

Sgd P. Sri Skanda Rajah
District Judge Jaffna
8-11-56
(O. 288 16 & 23)

CHANKANAI V. C. HAD HIGHEST SURPLUS IN 1955

Progress of Village Committees in the North and the East

The Village Committees, Nallur and Kokkuvil ended the year with deficits of Rs. 1,233 and Rs. 9,591 respectively. Chankanaï, had the highest surplus with Rs. 24,966.

Twenty-one out of the 42 works for which grants amounting to Rs. 235,600 were allocated were completed. The rest were in progress. Rs. 49,410 was given as grants for the construction of 36 wells of which 11 were completed and the rest were in progress.

691 miles of motorable roads were maintained by Village Committees at a cost of Rs. 44,544 and 813 miles of cart roads at a cost of Rs. 63,795.

The grant for 36 Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics was Rs. 20,250. Twenty-one Village Committees provided conservancy services and ten had only scavenging services.

A loan of Rs. 171,000 was sanctioned for establishing an Electricity Scheme in the Manipay Village Committee area.

The construction of eight twin houses by the Manipay Village Committee was completed.

Tenders were invited for the Delft Water Supply Scheme.

Northern Region (Lower)

Nineteen Village Committees ended the year with deficits ranging from

Rs. 82 in the case of Panankaman to Rs. 5,001 in the case of Mantai South. Seven ended the year with surpluses. The highest was that of Erukalampidy which had a surplus of Rs. 4,562.

Rs. 164,200 was given as grants for 32 works of which 9 have been completed and 15 are in progress. Rs. 31,320 was allocated for 24 wells of which 7 have been completed and 14 are in progress.

218½ miles of motorable roads were maintained by Village Committees in this Region at a cost of Rs. 11,735. Rs. 17,130 was spent on maintenance of 382 miles of cart roads.

Grants amounting to Rs. 9,800 were received from Government for 23 Maternity and Child Welfare Centres. Some Village Committees in the Vavuniya district maintained visiting dispensaries with the aid of Government grants. The general health of the inhabitants of the Region was satisfactory.

The Chairman of the Udayavoor Village Committee was removed from office under section 61 of the Village Communities Ordinance. Chinnacheddikulam West Village Committee and Perunkalipattu Village Committee had their powers curtailed under Section 53 (A) of the

Village Communities Ordinance.

Eastern Region

Fifteen Village Committees ended the year with deficits ranging from Rs. 53 in the case of Binten North Village Committee to Rs. 17,249 in the case of Akkaraipattu North. Akkaraipattu Central had the highest surplus of Rs. 30,419.

Nineteen of the 46 works for which the grant allocated was Rs. 230,600 were completed at a cost of Rs. 67,121. The work on the rest is in progress. Rs. 47,080 was allocated for 42 wells. Twelve wells were completed at a cost of Rs. 11,281. The other wells are in the course of construction.

210 miles of motorable roads were maintained by Village Committees at a cost of Rs. 52,000. Rs. 30,000 was spent on the maintenance of 325 miles of cart roads.

Fifteen Village Committees have Conservancy and Scavenging Services. Rs. 5,750 was paid as grants for the maintenance of these services. Rs. 10,000 was allocated to Village Committees in the Region for the maintenance of 26 Maternity and Child Welfare Clinics.

Jaffna Schools' Soccer

Jaffna Central Wins Junior Championship

Jaffna Central College annexed the J. S. S. A Inter-Collegiate Second Eleven Soccer Championship by beating Jaffna Hindu College in their second match of the final round by three goals to nil, last Tuesday on the Jaffna Police Grounds. Jaffna Central scored their first goal during the first-half of play and the other two goals after resumption. Mr. A. Mahadeva, refereed. Jaffna Central were Joint Champions in 1948.

The following schools have won the Second Eleven Soccer Championship since the inception of this tournament in 1941:—

- 1941 St. John's College,
- 1942 Jaffna Hindu College,
- 1943 Jaffna College, 1944
- Jaffna Hindu College, 1945
- Jaffna Hindu College, 1946
- St. John's College, 1947
- Urumpirai Hindu College,
- 1948 Urumpirai Hindu and
- Jaffna Central, 1949 No
- Championship, 1950 Jaffna
- Hindu College, 1951 Koku-
- vil Hindu College, 1952
- Parameshvara College,

The Russian Ideal That Has Gone Wrong

Warning To Indian C. P.

(From a statement issued to the Madras 'Hindu' by J. P. Narayan.)

The Communists in this country, as elsewhere, have made themselves laughing-stocks by acting as puppets of Moscow. But now there is a refreshing breeze blowing through Communist corridors of "equality", "independence", national sovereignty". This is a most reassuring symptom of the undying vitality of the human spirit, which cannot for ever remain enslaved and which alone is the ultimate guarantee of human freedom. The question is: have the Indian Communists spirit

enough to declare their independence of Moscow and to choose their own road to socialism? My Communist friends might reply that they have in fact been always independent. It would be a pity if they said so, because they know that would be a lie and no one would believe them any way. That is exactly what Stalin's stooges in Poland and Hungary always said, but have they not been repudiated by the "independent" Communists and the peoples of those countries? It is time that the Communists learnt that falsehood does not pay.

The human being is a curious animal. He is ever enquiring, ever after the truth. In the course of his enquiry he has discovered religion, science, philosophy, art and the rest. If the Communists, or whoever else, tried to stuff lies into the human mind, they might succeed for a time, but eventually the truth-seeking nature of man would assert itself and the truth would be out. Therefore, the Communists would do well to admit frankly that, misled by a false conception of internationalism, they had hitherto been subservient to Moscow and to announce without mincing their words that henceforward they would function independently.

1953 Parameshvara College, 1954 Parameshvara 1955 Mahajana College, 1956 Jaffna Central College.

First Eleven Finals

The final match of the First Eleven Soccer Tournament between Jaffna Hindu College and Jaffna Central College will be played during the week end. There were three finalists in this tournament but both Jaffna Hindu College and Jaffna Central College have already beaten Urumpiray Hindu College, the other finalist, by 4-1 and 2-0 respectively.

The match between Jaffna Central College and Urumpiray Hindu College was played last Tuesday on the Police Grounds. Jaffna Central College scored both their goals during the second half. Mr. A. Karunakaran refereed.

Last Tuesday sufficient steps were not taken to prevent the crowd from invading the field when the match was played. At several occasions, sections of the crowd were well inside the field. We hope that in future the J. S. S. A. will take all precautions to keep the crowd well outside the field when matches are played on the Police Grounds.

In the Second Eleven Tournament the encounter between Jaffna Hindu College and Mahajana College during this week end will decide the "runners-up."

Let me make it clear that a declaration of that sort would not be enough. The CPI must convince the Indian people by its actions of its independence and loyalty. This will take time. One thing the Communists must do in order to carry conviction is to explain to the people where and how they differ from what has been or is being done in Russia. Hitherto they have held up Russia as a faultless ideal. That ideal lies shattered now. If they go on pretending that nothing has happened, or that once the devil of the piece has been put in his place, everything has been righted, no sensible person will have any regard for them. "Communism" then might make some little "progress" by bamboozling some people for some time, but that could never lead to the harbour of a classless society of the equal and the free.

TENDER NOTICE

JAFFNA MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

LEASE OF "MARKETS" & "GALA INCLUDING BUS STAND—1957

Sealed Tenders on prescribed forms obtainable from the Municipal Office, Jaffna, will be received by the Municipal Commissioner, Jaffna, for the lease of the undermentioned "Markets" and "Gala including Bus Stand" up to 4-30 p. m. on 3-12-56.

Tender forms will be issued up to 3 p. m. on 3-12-56.

Name of Markets Etc. and Gala Including Bus Stand	Tender deposit payable to obtain Tender Forms	Fees payable before obtaining Tender Forms for Notarial Bonds
	Rs. cts.	Rs. cts.
1. Grand Bazaar Vegetable Market	500 00	150 00
2. Grand Bazaar Fish Market	250 00	150 00
3. Small Bazaar	250 00	150 00
4. Sengunthar Market	250 00	150 00
5. Arialai Market	50 00	—
6. Muthirai Santhai	50 00	—
7. Columbuturai	50 00	—
8. Navanthurai	50 00	—
9. Passaiyoor	50 00	—
10. Nallore Market	50 00	150 00
11. Gala Including Bus Stand	500 00	—

Further particulars will be furnished on application in writing to the undersigned.

A. V. CHINNIAS
Municipal Commissioner, Jaffna.

Municipal Office,
Jaffna, November 16, 1956.
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SAGUNA DHYANA

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entire form is illumined with the lustrous light like that of the Sun. Feel that His Divine qualities are spontaneously flowing towards you. You are now purified, you are now the embodiment of all the divine qualities. This process will quicken your progress. In the same way you can also meditate on other forms according to your inclination.

Practise meditation in the early morning between three a. m. and six a. m. This is the best time for the practice of meditation. You can also meditate at the dead of night. The atmosphere is more peaceful and serene. You are not likely to be disturbed. The mind automatically gets the meditative mood. It is like a blank sheet of paper. You can also have another sitting just before retiring to bed.

It is well and good if you can have a separate meditation room. Keep the room always clean and pure. Never allow anybody to enter the room. Burn Grita Pradip and incense before the Deity. This will make the mind more meditative. You will have good concentration. If possible, take a bath or wash at least your face, feet, etc., before you sit for meditation. Keep the mind always pure, serene and calm. Entertain holy divine thoughts.

When you meditate, disregard the substratum awakenings in the mind that arise out of the senses. Avoid carefully the comparisons with all other cross references and memories. Concentrate the whole energy of the mind on the idea of God. Avoid all other sense impressions and ideas. Prevent the complications that arise out of the correlated action in the substratum of the mind. Abstract the mind on your object of meditation alone. Shut out all other processes of mentation. Now the whole mind will be filled with one idea alone. Nishta will ensue. Just as the recurrence or repetition of a thought or action, so also does recurrence of same process, the same idea leads to the perfection of abstraction, concentration and uninterrupted meditation.

When you meditate, various kinds of thoughts,

subtle impressions and past memories will arise in the mind. They will hinder your meditation. Only sustained and patient efforts and practice can control them. Never apply any force. They will return with redoubled force. When you sit for meditation, relax the mind completely. Be perfectly serene. Watch your thoughts very carefully. Be on the alert. Be a silent witness to your thoughts and their play. Then gradually collect the dissipated rays of the mind one by one and concentrate them on your object. Whenever the evil thoughts crop up, immediately turn the mind towards the holy attributes of the Lord forgetting all the evil impressions completely.

To practise meditation in a mind unprepared by the non-adherence to the moral precepts is like building a house on a shaky foundation. Therefore, mental purity through ethical training is of paramount importance if you wish to achieve success in meditation. Be perfectly established in Yama and Niyama. Lead a well regulated moral life. Practise austerity of speech. Take one meal a day and light fruit and milk diet at night. This will keep the mind more steady. Perfect serenity, cultivation of divine virtues, entertaining of holy thoughts; discipline of diet, all these pave a long way for attaining success in the spiritual path.

Centre-Circumference...

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ced status coupled with the demand for release from accepted obligations would tend to make the bona fides of certain local authorities suspect in the eyes of the public. When there is fraud and malpractice in the grant of poor relief, when employees give false certificates in respect of allowances drawn by them, when poor unsuspecting consumers are given short weights under the very nose of the market supervisor, and when the tender system is unashamedly rejected under pressure by vested interests how, is it possible to go the whole way in granting extended powers?

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF COLOMBO

No. 17354/T

In the matter of the Last Will and Testament of Kumarasamy Sivalingam of Point Pedro.

Deceased

Sellvadurai Somasundaram of Point Pedro

Petitioner

This matter coming on for disposal before V. Siva Supramaniam Esquire Additional District Judge of Colombo on the 26th day of October 1956 in the presence of Mr. M. Ranganathan Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the Petitioner dated the 26th day of October 1956 and the affidavits of the subscribing witnesses dated the 8th day of October 1956 having been read.

It is ordered that the Last Will and Testament made by the deceased abovenamed on the 26th day of July 1956 and attested by five witnesses the original of which has been produced and is now deposited in this Court be and the same is hereby declared proved and that the Petitioner is the executor named therein and he is hereby entitled to have Probate there of issued to him accordingly unless any person or persons interested shall on before the 24th day of January 1957 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this Court to the contrary.

The 26th day of October 1956

Sgd. V. Siva Supramaniam
Additional District Judge

(O. 291 23 & 30)

Order Nisi

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 233 T.

In the matter of the intestate estate and effects of the late S. T. M. P. Sithamparanatha Chettiar of Vannarponnai West

Deceased

Sithamparanatha Chettiar Pasupathy Chettiar of Vannarponnai East Jaffna

Vs. Petitioner

1. Sithamparanatha Chettiar Sivagurunathan of Chetty Street, Nallur
2. Sithamparanatha Chettiar Muttucumaran of Anai-kottai
3. Sithamparanatha Chettiar Somasundaram presently of Annamalai University Chidamparam

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before N. Sivagnanasuntharam Esq., District Judge, Jaffna on the 3rd day of November 1956 in the presence of Mr. V. Sivasubramaniam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit of the abovenamed petitioner dated 24th September 1956 having been read;

It is ordered that the said petitioner as the eldest son of

State Craft As Depicted In Mahabharata

(Continued from page 1)

beneficial to the country as a whole. Women, being helpless, suffer most. The State should be particularly vigilant in regard to their protection. If they are oppressed, or in any way dishonoured, then the future of the State is doomed. Bhishma pointedly inculcates the doctrine that the king who does not protect but, on the other hand, snatches away, the wealth of his subjects; who violates the time-honoured and established traditions of the country; and who also fails to show the qualities of right and proper leadership and is yet unashamed, is a disgrace to his royal office; and such a king is Kali incarnate

the deceased is entitled to have letters of administration of the estate of deceased abovenamed and the same be issued to him accordingly unless the respondents or others shall on or before the 7th day of December 1956 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary,

This 3rd day of November 1956

Sgd. N Sivagnanasundaram
District Judge, Jaffna

Drawn by
Sgd. V. Sivasubramaniam
Proctor for Petitioner
(O 290 23 & 30)

and should be put to death by his subjects acting in an organized manner. Bhishma is not satisfied by merely emphasizing the necessity of killing an unworthy king. He goes further, proclaiming that the king who takes upon himself the role of a protector, and yet does not fulfil it, should be slaughtered like a mad and diseased dog. Virtues and vices of the people in general, in a State, are the result of the king's administration, and the king is responsible for the growth of virtues as well as for the prevalence of vices. It is the first and foremost duty of a king to provide for a just social order; it is his principal obligation to make the State the moral guardian of society. So Bhishma asked Yudhis-thira to be a wise, just, and benevolent ruler in order that the entire community might look up to him for protection, guidance and inspiration. He also said, "Oh Bharata! In a wellprotected kingdom the king receives the fourth part of the merit of whatever auspicious action is performed by the subjects."

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