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## STEMMING THE SURGE OF COMMUNISM

### IS IT POSSIBLE?

An ideal Society envisages a complete adjustment of all forces in its field. Conflicting tendencies causing a disturbance have to be balanced or kept under control.

Communism does not conform to any natural pattern. The idea of giving equal weightages to all classes of people, ignoring their physical and psychological differences, is a mechanical concept. To deny personality is to deny nature.

As inequality is anti-social, so equality is anti-natural and it is extremely doubtful whether it is possible to remove completely and permanently all the social inequities we know of. Cultural freedom with economic restrictions is perhaps less harmful than restricted thinking with economic privileges. Whether intellectual and economic freedoms can co-exist in society is a highly controversial issue.

#### Varnashrama System

There has been no happier compromise between nature and society than that of the "Varnashrama" of the early Hindus brought about. Just as in a family, the grandfather, the father, the mother, the son and the little girl each has a role and function distinct from the other so in ancient India, the philosopher, the warrior, the tradesman and the labourer had their specified duties and obligations to the society. There was no question of domination or exploitation. They were all happy and contented in their respective stations and worked unitedly in a team spirit, possible only in such a balanced framework of society. A similar design was also suggested by Plato.

Of course, the classification was not strictly according to the pedigree but depended much on one's aptitude and attainments. One could reach a higher status with greater social responsibilities on proof of one's capability and fitness. Such a scope obviously gave an incentive to develop one's personality by sublimating one's grosser qualities.

The caste lines were drawn to demarcate the cultural gradation in the society. Subsequent inflexibility of the caste barriers and the overlordship of the decadent privileged class brought the complete downfall of the Hindus. System of caste or "Varnashrama" worked nicely so long as there was perfect understanding and mutual goodwill among different classes and it utilised the material and moral resources which each individual man possesses producing a great many personalities whose output pointed to the cultured efficiency of the country.

The country was originally under the Brahminical or philo-

sophers' rule. They made laws on the basis of truth and morality and politics was untainted by any mean stratagem. Moral uplift or spiritual ascension was the nation's ideal. Next with the decline of the Brahminical influence, the etical administration was replaced by the military administration or "Kshatriya Raj". With the expansion of empires the warrior class attained predominance and the element of aggressiveness entered into politics. The industrial development, which marked the third phase of our civilisation, has aroused an overwhelming trade interest and inordinate money sense and thus paved the way for "Vaisya Raj" or capitalistic regime. Greed and desire to exploit have drifted us far from the noble ideal of the Brahminical age.

#### Advent of "Sudra Raja"

Now is heard the threatening roar of the advancing tide of Communism. It heralds the coming of "Sudra Raj"—the last phase of the decadence. Is there any escape from the coming onslaught of the hungry hordes of the exploited—the Sudras? This is the biggest question of our time.

Can atom bombs or pacts prevent it? No. Under the prevailing economic order it will be impossible to cope with the ever-increasing tension tending to disrupt the timeworn social fabric.

There must be a complete overhauling of the pattern so that a new and healthy atmosphere may spontaneously grow. Gandhites have turned black-dealers and persecutors of the poor. It is the work of the bacteria in the atmosphere of the commercial age.

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#### "Rouble" Bloc Answer To Dollar Sterling Groups

The recently announced Soviet currency revolution has been followed by a move to unify all Communist East Europe in a "rouble bloc".

A secret conference of Cominform finance experts is reported to be discussing the uniform adjustment of Soviet bloc currency exchange rates against those of the West. A more favourable rate against the dollar is likely to be decreed and may further reduce exports to the West owing to price increases. The East German mark, at present at its lower rate vis-a-vis the West Mark, may be supported by a direct link with the rouble.

It is believed that Czechoslovakia, the last remaining East bloc member, may now quit the International Monetary Fund.

#### Study of Astrology

The fifteenth annual session of the All-India Astrological Association held in Calcutta urged the Central and State Governments to establish scientific and up-to-date observatories based on the Indian system so as to ascertain correctly the longitude of stars and planets.

The Association, by another resolution, requested all Universities to make adequate and immediate arrangements for the study of Astrology in the post-graduate classes or Sanskrit.

Pandit Harish Chandra Bhatnacharya, permanent President of the Association, presiding over the session, stressed the utility of astrology and said astrology in India had suffered to a great extent due to 200 years of foreign rule when the development of the science did not have any State support.

He said that in free India the astrologers would be helpful in drawing up a uniform calendar through the help of both official and non-official agencies.

Several prominent astrologers from all over India attended the Conference.

Mahamahopadhyaya Pandit Chinnaswami Sastri, Professor of Sanskrit, Calcutta University, was elected President for the current year.

#### In the House of Representatives

## CONSTITUTION AMENDING FRUSTRATED

### Two-Thirds Majority Not Obtained

WHEN the Prime Minister, after the passage of the Constitution (amendment) Bill in the Committee stage, moved the third reading in the open sittings of the House of Representatives on Tuesday the necessary two-thirds majority could not be obtained as only 48 voted for the Bill and 29 against it. The Bill was therefore lost.

#### Workshops As Co-operative Ventures

Replying to questions on the retrenchment in carpentry workshops Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam, Minister of Industries said that the particular batch of 90 employees had been employed on the understanding that after the work on the Radios was completed, they would have to go.

As far as the work of the Carpentry Workshop was concerned, he had to adopt business methods. He could not keep men who had no work on a dole and neither was his job to find work for people in various departments. He, however, added that there was work available in the Department's Workshop at Bandarawela and at the Gal Oya works. But what most people expected was to find work at their doorstep.

#### Inquiry Into T. B. Patient Incident

It is understood that Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, Minister of Health, has decided to hold a full inquiry into the allegation made by a T. B. patient that he had been refused admission to the Kankesanturai Hospital and that on his persisting on gaining admission, he was forcibly removed by the Police on the instructions of the House officer of the Hospital and later charged in a court of law and sentenced to 3 months imprisonment.

Dr. Colvin R. de Silva, Dr. N. M. Perera, Messrs Reggie Perera and Sam Silva Members of Parliament, paid a visit to the Kankesanturai Hospital last week and made personal enquiries about the incident. Victimisation of patients was alleged by some patients.

#### The Great Wall of China Disappears

The Great Wall of China is being demolished to provide bricks and stone blocks for building houses, according to a Chinese Communist news broadcast.

The Great Wall, 1,400 miles long was started 21 centuries ago by Emperor Chin Shih Muang-ti to keep out bandits.—Globe

## LEFTISTS COMMENT ON LANGUAGE QUESTION

### Democratic Decision Desired

"All people living in a contiguous territory have the right, if they so desire to have their own territory administered in their own language. Therefore if the Tamils wish that the territory they inhabit be administered in Tamil, it is the only task of a progressive Government honestly to implement that demand. The Jayawardena Plan, which pretends to implement the demand in fact is a continuation of the Sinhalese chauvinist line on the language question. To decide language question Province-wise, without re-democrating the Provinces on a linguistic basis, will be in fact to impose an alien language on large sections of the people," said Dr. Colvin R de Silva in the course of his address at the Leftist Rally held in Jaffna. Continuing he said, administration of linguistic provinces in the local languages will raise the problem of the language of intercourse between the territories. This must obviously satisfy two tests in Ceylon. It must be a language

which not only enables mutual social intercourse between the Sinhalese and Tamils but also the intercourse of both with the world. If one additional language can do this for both linguistic groups, it is ridiculous to burden our children with two extra languages. English fulfils the above tests. Therefore, in my view, the very establishment of the vernaculars as the languages of administration demands simultaneously more and better English as a compulsory second language from the earliest possible stage in school. This, of course, must be democratically decided. Instead, to seek to impose one or other language openly or covertly on the whole population will be dictatorial, communalist and disruptive."

Dr. N. M. Perera, presided at the public meeting. Messrs. C. Gunawardena, Sam, Silva Reggie Perera, P. Nagalingam, A. Visvanathan and A. Thuraijasingham, also addressed the meeting.

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**Hindu Organ**

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**Treasure These Thoughts**

"Religion is its own end. That religion which is only a means to worldly well-being is not religion, whatever else it may be. The end and aim of all religion is to realize God. The greatest of all training is to worship God alone."  
 —SWAMY VIVEKANANDA.

**POST-PARTITION PANIC**

THE CARVING OUT OF A new state of what was once a majestic whole—the Indian Sub-continent was intended to be the positive remedy for the dragging disease of die-hard communalism. The greatest of patriots sacrificed his life in the process of his valiant efforts to root out this cancer. A grand array of illustrious leaders headed by Pandit Nehru agreed to submit themselves to the humiliation of the vivisection of an ancient land because they believed that though heart-rending the solution may be, the problem of inter-communal concord and amity would be settled for ever. And to this end these patriots worked with devout determination and sincere confidence. But the stark fact remained there staring at these leaders all the time, the fact that for harmony to be made possible the wish should not be one-sided alone. It became apparent soon that not only was there no such yearning for concord in Pakistan but there was in its place growing with a vengeance ruthless rancour. As if by arrangement the Kashmir issue swiftly developed to become the apple of discord between the partitioned new nations. Efforts to take this question out of local limits to the so-called serene atmosphere of international integrity have failed miserably. Alongside of this there has been brewing civil discontent in certain partitioned areas where Hindus had become by force of circumstances a minority community. The sufferings of the Hindu fold in East Bengal during the period following the division of states cannot be recapitulated but with feelings of mental agony. Communal hatred and dis-

**Age Limit In Schools**  
**Present Position**

As an impression exists, says a Ministry of Education communique, that the age limits fixed last year by the Director of Education with the approval of the Minister have been revoked\* this note is issued in explanation of the present position.

It is necessary at the outset to make clear that no order was issued to Assisted Schools at any time with regard to age limits in classes. Certain instructions were sent last year to Government English Schools and copies of this Circular were also transmitted to Heads of Assisted English Schools so that they may follow it, should they be so disposed. This circular has been altered to some extent by a circular sent this year. This circular applied only to Government English schools, so that Assisted English schools are still as free as they used to be in the matter of admissions.

The important points in respect of which changes have been made are:—

Where the numbers in a class do not exceed 35, Heads of schools are authorised to admit pupils into such a class, provided they are of an age which is not more than 3 years beyond the age limit fixed for it. The total number in each class should not exceed 35.

Pupils who had to leave schools or who were refused admission on account of the over-age rules may be re-admitted provided their conduct was satisfactory and the number of pupils in the class to which they seek admission is less than 35.

The above rules are subject to revision later, and do not apply to pupils beyond the S. S. C. stage, to whom the old rules will continue to apply.

The objects of the original circulars were:

To achieve some kind of uniformity in the ages of pupils in the different classes, and

To control the rush of pupils to Government schools in certain urban areas.

The circular has had the desired result, but it has in certain cases brought down the attendance in rural schools—in certain classes, even down to 5 or 6

The Minister has not approved of any other alternative in these rules.

trust may exist, but such feelings cannot be death-dealers to innocent women and children. The Dacca disturbances and similar outbreaks of communal fury have hardened the hearts of the Hindus in the Union of India to such an extent that the extremist Hindus belonging to the Mahasabha have come out to the open and have demanded armed intervention. Pandit Nehru has shown monumental patience and exemplary tact in dealing with a situation fraught with grave consequences. We agree with the great Indian Premier in his calm and studied approach to this intriguing question but we would at the same time gently suggest to the Premier of Pakistan that he alone can avert what looks like developing into a major catastrophe.



(By Squint Eye)

About China the world is apprehensive. even the captain from cove point".

Yes, what looked yellow to bluish eyes now is red.

Children can now play with the atom, announces a New York toymaker introducing an atom-kit at a cost of £ 15.

The older babies are already playing with the atom, trying, as usual, to split it

Reporting Japanese Emperor Hirohito's tour of Skikoko is and in which the police detected a plot against the Emperor's life and were searching for 1000 sticks of dynamite missing from a Government dump, Reuter added that the tour was part of a post-war demonstration that the Emperor is no longer "sacred".

It will also be a demonstration that the Emperor is no longer "scared".

American newspaper baron, Colonel Robert R. Mc Cormick who has just visited the Island has said that though Ceylon is a small country she does not have enemies like India or Pakistan.

We hope she has no friends like some India and Pakistan have!

In the old days of freedom's struggle an Indian leader, who is no more, used to say to the world in his orations, "England has no friends, India has no enemies in the world", and the cliché used to draw applause in spite of repetition.

A Karachi official communique said that Mir Laif Ali who escaped from Hyderabad and India, had arrived in Karachi but had gone to a health resort as the Karachi climate would not suit him.

The Hyderabad climate was likely to get hot for Lark Ali.

Commonwealth Minister Patrick Gordon-Walker told Parliament that 27-year-old Seretse Khama would be allowed to return from London to Bechuanaland to collect evidence for a law suit about his inheritance.

In British diplomacy when they often are driven to given in it is done for another remote reason, so that face is saved when back is turned!

The Bamangwato tribe have hailed Ruth Williams the English wife of their Chief, Seretse Khama, as the rain queen because since she arrived in their arid land there has been 23 inches of rain.

That will be another reason for the British Colonial office to allow Seretse to return to his land to help in his wife's work for the land!

English Test Cricket Umpire Frank Chester deploring the inability of Australians to play the game as they in England do says in the Manchester Test last time "even when English batsmen never attempted to play the ball the Australians all shouted—

Bradman has always shown that his team plays to win, never mind the nuances and delicacies of the game.

And Englishman Jardine exploited every artifice to beat the opponents, headline, bodyline, and fisting that time-line!

Japanese women post-war are committing nearly three times more crimes according to Police report. Increase in crimes of violence, murder, burglaries, committed by women has been record.

**Frustration?**

A. U. S. A. fisherman's wife has made medical history by giving birth to triplets on three successive days—a 5 lb boy on Tuesday, a 6 lb girl on Wednesday, a 7 lb girl on Thursday.

**Stepping up production.**

**Manipay Reception to V. C. Chairman**

A public reception was accorded to Mr. V. Mahesan, Chairman V.C. Manipay by the people of Anai-coddai. Mr. S. Thirunavakarasu, Proctor who presided paid a high tribute to the Chairman.

Mudaliyar C. Thiagarajah, Pandit T. Sivasubramaniam, P. Sinnathurai, S. Balasubramaniam and Messrs. V. Kanapathipillai and S. Thambirajah also spoke.

Mr. V. Mahesan when replying said he would do everything possible for the betterment of their Village. He requested the Government to make both Tamil and Singhalese as compulsory subjects for all examinations and give employments anywhere according to merits as done hitherto and not confine Tamil to Northern and Eastern Provinces and Singhalese for other Provinces as contemplated. He further requested that both Tamil and Singhalese should be made Official languages throughout the Island without any desertination.

**Seven Years For Wife Killer**

**Perjurer Jailed**

Sinnathambu Nadarajah of Athiady, Jaffna who stood charged with committing the murder of his wife Sivayogam by trotting her in November last year was sentenced to seven years R. I. by His Lordship Justice M. F. S. Pullie at the Northern Assizes yesterday.

After 4 days trial the jurors returned a unanimous verdict of culpable homicide not amounting to murder.

The accused was defended by Mr. R. L. Perera and Mr. M. Balasundaram instructed by Mr. K. R. Nalliah

A prosecution witness one K. Markandu, the brother-in-law of the accused was sentenced to 3 months R. I. for giving false evidence.



**The Hindu Temporalities Sub-Committee**

Sir,—With reference to the letter on the above subject in your issue of March 10, 1950 I appeal to your readers to judge the following:—

It has been said that the Sub-Committee was "very fair and reasonable" as the members of this committee were "very keen to find out the truth of the statement of certain priests and managers of Kovils who took shelter under the Vedas, Agamas and Shastras"

Is putting questions like—"Have you seen God? How do you know that the Vedas and Agamas are the revelations of God? Did God appear in your dream and expound them to you?"—and a host of other similar ones fair and reasonable? Are these not questions which even our Atheistic Communist friends would think twice before putting them to us? On the other hand, ignominious it is for laymen sitting on judgment seats to put them to their Gurus.

It is a gross misrepresentation of the truth that when the Saiva Priests were asked to produce their authority from the sacred texts, none were produced. In fact texts were quoted at Jaffna, Point Pedro and Keerimalai from Agamas and Bhagavat Gita in Sanskrit and religious works like Kaandapuram, Periyapuram and Saiva Siddhanta works in Tamil to show that Temple Entry is against religion.

It has become a common error among the so-called reform lovers to take the words of Sri La Sri Arumuga Navalar out of their context and misconstrue them according to their whims and fancies.

It is also said that the three additional sittings held at Jaffna a second time were to "find out the truth of the Agamas" from the so-called high-priests." The truth is as the English proverb goes—one can take a horse to water but twenty cannot make it drink. The priests of the Saiva religion were more anxious to maintain the greatness of their religion by not casting their pearls

—the Saiva Siddhanta Doctrines—in vain, a fourth or fifth time.

Lastly, dear editor, if you grant me sufficient space in your paper, I am prepared to quote chapter and verse about "Panchamas" and others for the enlightenment of the devout Saiva public.

Yours etc.,  
 K. BALASUNDARAKURUKKAL.

Maviddapuram,  
 Tellipalai,  
 16-3-50.

**Hindu New Year Holidays**

I am penning this letter to you as only your paper safeguards the interests of the Hindus in Ceylon.

The Government of Ceylon in the Almanac for the current year has notified that the Hindu New Year commences on April 14th and so has declared April 14th and 15th as the Public and Bank Holidays on account of Sinhalese and Hindu New Year. This Holiday was originally granted for the Hindus only but now it has been mixed up with the Sinhalese New Year and thereby the Hindus have been deprived of what is due to them.

According to the eminent Astrologer, Ragunatha Iyer of Kokuvil, Jaffna, the Hindu New Year, "Viki thy" falls on Thursday, April 13th. Even in South India, April 13th has been declared as the Hindu New Year day.

If according to some Sinhalese astrologers their New Year falls on Friday, April 14th, the Government can declare April 13th & 14th as the Holidays to satisfy both the Sinhalese and the Hindus.

Therefore, through your medium, I request the Hon. the Minister of Home Affairs & Rural Development to take early steps to alter these dates.

Yours etc.,  
 V. S. POOPALAN.

Colombo,  
 20th March, 1950.

**Indebtedness Among Wage Earners**

Sir,—As far back as 1935 the Government of Malaya solved the problem of indebtedness among wage earners by enacting a law entitled "Wage Earners Enactment".

All that the wage earners have to do was to furnish a statement  
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Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 493

In the matter of an application for the appointment of Guardian and orator over the person and property of (1) Thambipillai Rasaratnam, (2) Thambipillai Somasundaram, (3) Thambipillai Easwaram all of Kanderodai minors.

Thangammah widow of Kandiah Thambipillai of Kanderodai

Vs Petitioner

Kandiah Sarayanamuttu of Mallakam

Respondent

Where as by order dated the 4th day of March 1950 made in the above case a sale of land described in the schedule hereto and belonging to the above named minors has been ordered.

Tenders are hereby required to forward their tenders either to my address "R. N. Sivapirakasam Proctor S. C. Mallakam" or to the Secretary of this Court within twentyone days from the date of publication of this notice.

**Schedule**

An undivided three-tenths (3/10) share of all that piece of land situated at Mallakam in the Parish of Mallakam, Valigamam North Division, Jaffna District Northern Province, called "Chalambankaladdy" in extent 9 lms V.C. and 9 3/4 kalies with 7 palmyrah trees excluding the newly constructed well and bounded on the East by lot 2 belonging to Sannappu Subramaniam, North by the properties of Neelan Sinnathamby Ponny wife of Thavasy,

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of their debts to the Official Assignee who calls a creditors' meeting and orders a monthly payment according to the capacity of the debtor.

The amount of debts may run into millions but the payment will not exceed 5 to 10 per cent of the salary for a maximum period of 3 years.

The Government of Ceylon proposes to accommodate the public servants only with a loan of 15 millions which could be profitably spent on National Development Schemes. I suggest that the Debts Committee study the Malayan Government Scheme and introduce a similar one here affording relief to all wage earners in Ceylon and save the tax-payers' money.

Yours etc.,  
S. VYDIALINGAM.

Tholpuram,  
17-3-50

and Velupillai Sinnappu West by the property of Kandiah Sarayanamuttu and Neelan Sinnathamby, and South by road and forming lot No. 1 in Plan No. 546 dated 11-12-1940 and filed in Jaffna D. C. Partition case No. 14824.

This 24th day of March 1950.

R. N. SIVAPIRAKASAM,  
Proctor for Petitioner.

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**How Our Ancestors Knew The Atom**

The Atomic theory of the *Vaishshikas* points out that one *Paramanu* is 1/349525th of an inch. The cohesion and the separation of these atoms makes up the world. Hence the Law of Motion observed and verified in astronomy have been taken up into the analysis of motion, write *Indisan Affairs*.

*Prasatapada* speaks of instantaneous motion, impressed motion and a series of motions. The various types of motion referred to are *Prajyatna*, *Abarsahana*, *Syandana*, *Adrishta*, *Karan gati*, *Samyoga Janya*, *Nodana*, *Ambigata gati*, *Yathas-thithigati*, *Vegav d*, *Dravya samyuktha*, *Samyoga* and so on. And the *Bhagavata* holds, that *Anu* or atom is the basis of both Time and Space. This is the origin of the spatio-temporal continuum. Coming to this problem, an analysis of light and reflection of light is essential in astrology to assess the influence and nature of a planet. The *Rig Veda* speaks of the seven rays or the seven colours of the Sun. Even the *Puranas* observe that the Sun rides over seven horses. Here the element of speed has been recognised; and elsewhere it has been stated clearly that light travels at a rate of 186,000 miles per second.

**The Howes Plan Of Education**

**3 Types of School Suggested**

Dr. H. W. Howes, Director of Education, outlined his six-year plan of education at a conference of Managers of Schools and representatives of teachers.

The Howes plan envisages three types of schools under the Education Department, and vocational schools such as agricultural and trade schools under other Ministries.

The purely literary schools will be (a) Elementary Schools, (b) Junior Secondary Schools, and (c) Senior Secondary Schools-Fitness Test

At the end of standard five a fitness test will be held to eliminate children who are not fit for a purely literary education. They will form, it is estimated, about 15 per cent, of the children and they will continue to receive an education with a practical bias up to 14 and, thereafter, a purely vocational education.

Those who are fit for a literary education will go into Junior Secondary Schools, which will correspond to the American Junior High School. Here too the education will have a practical bias.

**A Second Test**

At the end of the Junior School a second test will be held for the selection of children for the Senior Secondary School. It is estimated that about 60 per cent will be fit to continue up to the S. S. C. examination.

The rest will have to enter vocational schools.

Those who reach a certain standard at the S. S. C. examination, (expected to be about 25 per cent) will be fit to continue to the University Entrance and the H. S. C. Examinations.

The other 75 per cent who pass the S. S. C. may enter polytechnics and pursue courses in such subject as building construction, accountancy etc.

The Howes plan is within the scheme of free education up to the University.

**"Generally Practicable"**

The conference considered the plan generally practicable and deferred further consideration after study of the details. There was opposition however, to agricultural and trade schools being placed under other Ministries.

The next subject discussed was educational finance. The question of "block grants" was opposed by the Managers and teachers' representatives. It was decided they should meet again, when an alternative proposal for an equitable system of financial aid to schools will be discussed.

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**Our Astrological Feature.**

**WEEKLY FORECASTS**

"SRIPATY"

FROM 26TH MARCH TO 1ST APRIL 1950

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

You will make some new friends this week. In personal affairs this will be a time of considerable happiness and gains. Second half of week will present opportunities to increase avenues of income.

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

This week is likely to open with stirring news. You will make some interesting link-ups also. You will have to work hard for achieving something but you are sure to obtain it. Expenditure will be in the rise week end.

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

This week spells success if you have the necessary courage and energy. Youngsters in the family will bring a good deal of happiness. New ventures in partnership with friends would prove beneficial. Romantic success also shown.

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

The shadow of trickery and deceit is present. Better probe into matters before coming to a final decision. Do not get involved into any friend's affairs unless you are prepared to court trouble.

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

Planetary influences favourable for acquisition of luxury this week. You will have success in any new undertakings. Prospects of speculative luck also shown.

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

You will be blamed for what you are not responsible. Health also will not be very favourable. Domestic troubles and mental worries also shown. Better avoid any serious activities this week.

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

All the adverse effects of evil planets will diminish from this week. You can go ahead with your plans. Financial gains and domestic harmony also shown. Ruin to enemies and professional gains week end.

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

Spend the first two days of the week with care. Certain amount of changes in existing official or domestic conditions shown this week. You will have to undergo some worries and expenditure through this but it is definitely a change for the better.

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

Tackle affairs with calm and sobriety this week. Be careful of what moves or changes you make. Better not to commit yourself in writing. New friends may cause you some annoyance Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday. Domestic troubles and ill health also shown those days.

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

Friends of the opposite sex will help you a good deal this week. Success in litigation and fame also shown. But spend Thursday afternoon, Friday and Saturday forenoon with care.

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

Better face up difficulties and fight battles to the end this week for you are bound to succeed. In personal affairs it will be a time of happiness. Monetary gains shown week end.

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

You may incur some disappointment this week. Approach new ventures with sobriety and intelligence. Have your temper under control and lie low avoiding heated arguments week end.



### Democratic Set-up For Malaya

#### Indian Congress Suggestion

The Malayan Indian Congress has requested the British Government to announce a political economic and educational programme designed to help Malaya achieve democratic self-government in a reasonably short period.

The Congress considered that the only solution of Malaya's ills was to bring into being a Constituent Assembly elected by popular vote which should be entrusted with the task of framing a new constitution for Malaya, including Singapore.

The meeting held at the federal capital of Kuala Lumpur, was attended by representatives of regional and Indian Congress, local affairs centres and members of the Working Committee. Sirdar Budh Singh, the President of the Congress, presided.

It criticised the existing Constitution of Malaya as "neither democratic nor containing the seeds of democratic growth". Further, "a large proportion of children of school going age cannot afford education or have no schools to go to, and the economy of the country is still precariously dependent on tin and rubber."

The meeting urged that in order to create a real interest in the progress and prosperity of Malaya, a long-term policy of land settlement was an urgent need. It asked the Government of Malaya and employers of labour to introduce land settlement schemes for workers who had adopted this country as their motherland.

The Congress expressed concern at the extent of adult illiteracy in Malaya and said that the development of democracy in the country had been greatly hindered by this drawback. There was also an inherent danger to law and order because of this backwardness, and the danger was all the greater in a view of the growing threats to political and economic stability.

It, therefore, urged the Government to grant free primary education, making education compulsory for all children under 15 years, and it also asked that a scheme for the education of adults should be worked out.

On the subject of federal citizenship the Congress asked every Indian who considered Malaya as his or her home, to take on such citizenship. The qualifications for such citizenship should however, be revised. The condition that one should be able to speak Malay and English with reasonable proficiency was highly disadvantageous, particularly to the Indian population, and it was extremely restrictive in principle. This qualification should be removed.

The clauses requiring a person to conform to Malayan customs as a prerequisite for federal citizenship should also go, as they rendered it difficult for most non-Malayans to become federal citizens. The residential qualification should be reduced from 15 to five years.

The Congress asked the Government of Malaya to clear up the issue of "rights and duties" attached to federal citizenship, and considered that certain fundamental rights should be assured to the people.

### Instruments For Moon Travel

Development of a new device to help "find out the kind of things a man on a trip to the moon would need to know" is reported by the Illinois Institute of Technology in the United States. The device is a gyro-stabilized metal sphere that will be used in upper-air research to discover what climatic conditions would be encountered in travel high above the earth's surface.

According to Dr. Severin Raynor, senior scientist, at the institute's Armour Research Foundation in Chicago, the sphere will be carried aloft in a rocket, and ejected at an altitude of more than 70 miles. During its return to earth, the sphere will be kept in equilibrium by gyroscopes specially designed by Arthur scientists. This will enable instruments carried by the sphere to measure heat radiated by the sun, the earth, and space. Such measurements are important upper-air data that is impossible to obtain from a rocket that spins and twists after its fuel is consumed.

The sphere will have 14 buttons on its surface, each button containing a thermocouple to measure temperature differences. The temperatures will be recorded by a specially designed slow-speed camera inside the sphere. A watch mechanism will time the recording.

Before the sphere strikes the ground, the camera will be ejected from it. A ribbon parachute will control the camera's fall and aid in its recovery. A special transmitter attached to the camera will allow its fall to be traced by radio operators on the ground.

### Sivasubramania Swami Temple At Slave Island

#### New Trustees Elected

At a meeting of the congregation of the Sivasubramania Swami Temple, Slave Island, Colombo, held in the temple premises recently under the Chairmanship of Mr. V. A. Kandiah, Advocate, the following five new trustees were unanimously elected, to submit a scheme of management of the temple for approval by Court and to manage the affairs of the temple, viz. Dr. Kumaran Ratnam, Messrs. M. S. Thiruvilangam, M. C. Coniah, C. K. Ratnam and K. T. Vallipuram. The trustees elected Mr. M. S. Thiruvilangam as the Managing Trustee. Five honorary auditors for the temple accounts were also elected at the meeting. A resolution in appreciation of the services of the previous board of five trustees was passed unanimously by the congregation. The meeting commenced and concluded with the singing of Thevaram.

#### Tender For Lighterage and Delivery of Govt. Food Cargo.

Tenders for lighterage and delivery of Govt. food cargo from steamers into the warehouses at Kankesanthurai and Jaffna close with the Chairman, Tender Board, Ministry of Food and Co-operative Undertakings, on 11-4-1950. For further particulars please see Govt. Gazette of 24-3-50, S. A. SUPHAMANIAM, for Deputy Food Controller, Jaffna. (G 132 24&28)

### Marxism De Luxe At Berlin

A long-standing resident of Berlin, a German himself but a determined enemy of Nazism and noted for fair reporting writes to the Worldover Press this.

"Remember that the Russians try to convince us that they are the only true representatives of the proletarian class. Beware of anyone who could doubt the purity of Marxist doctrine if he lived in the Soviet Zone! But what is the essence of Marxism?"

"That there are only two classes in the world; capitalists and proletarians. That the former class are getting fewer every day, but constantly richer. That the proletariat is more numerous, but poorer. And that therefore an indefatigable fight should be waged against the rich class on behalf of the proletarians."

"In a measure, the Soviet Union has acted consistently in Germany. Big land-owners have disappeared. Private property has not been abolished, but few industrialists have been able to keep their plants, while most factories have been turned over to ownership by 'the people.' Yet the members of the possessing class are all too plainly visible. These are now in actuality the Communist officials and Russian officers, who hurry through the streets in luxurious motor cars, oblivious of any poverty among the masses. To be sure, they are often worried, lest they be kicked out by their chiefs into the proletariat from which they have recently emerged. But while it lasts, theirs is Marxism de luxe."

'The poor and exhausted population in East Germany, for the most part look with hatred upon the glamour of their "proletarian" leaders. They know who belongs to the oppressing class, and they know that exploitation is no less repugnant when the masters have changed.'

"To anyone watching developments in the Soviet Zone today, it is hard to understand why there should be so much propaganda against Marxism in the newspapers and over the radio. It can never be as successful as the propaganda against Marxism that is carried through day after day by the glaring and bumptious Communist leaders."

### Need for Tamil Section In Malayan Varsity

The establishment of a Department of Tamil or Indian studies in general in the University of Malaya is to be considered by a Board of Studies set up by the Senate of the University.

The Board will report on the need for such a Department, its form and scope, staffing and all other related questions. Members of the Board include: Mr. G. Sarangapani, Editor of the *Indian Daily Mail* and *Tamil Murasu*. Prof. N. K. Sen of the University of Malaya; the Rev. D. Cheliah of the Church of England and Mr. K. Ramanathan, Secretary of the All-Malaya Chettiar's Chamber of Commerce.

### An Academy For Overage Students

A day school for the S. S. C. S. S. C. H. S. C., and other post-primary students will be started in Jaffna Town in April. Contact: Mr. V. MUTHUKUMAR M. A., Nalloor, Jaffna. 22 3-50 (282 24&28)

### Stemming the Surge Of Communism

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thick and foul with the fumes of lust, envy, deceit and cruelty. It will be a hopeless fight against Communism without eliminating the cause of the surging discontent among the bulk of population of the world, groaning in want and misery.

Previous attempts to end war and establish world peace through pacts and goodwill missions by the League of Nations and similar institutions failed, because there was no effort to change the socio-economic background of the world affairs. Can change of heart be possible when corruption is rampant and despondency pervades the sick earth, when the surroundings are not purified and there is no radical change in socio-economic outlook?

#### New World Order

The prerequisite for a new world order is that exploitation in every form should cease. There should be an end of domination of profiteering interest and ownership of trade and industry. The flow of business must be in the direction of small men and not against them as is the case to day. Development of co-operatives and small-scale industries must immediately be resorted to and planned economy has to be launched in conformity with the new outlook on a world-wide zonal basis.

The days of parochial thinking are over. Nations should jointly try to evolve a new formula for re-allocating the duties and obligations of different classes of people to the human society. The idea of world citizenship can only take its shape under the tutelage of the sages or Brahmins of our time, possessing the best qualities of the head and heart and a revival of their rule can only save the world from its hedonistic plunge into the eddies of Communism. Under the moral guidance of these philosopher reformers and with the spread of their gospel of love and universal brotherhood the sore hearts will be healed and the overstrung nerves, thrown into frequent tremors caused by war hysteria, will be soothed and re-vitalised; the load of fear and hatred will be off. Love and faith will find new roots in and instil new hope into the human mind. And thus the spirit of mutual service and toleration long lost to mankind, will revive and end all strifes and disputes and usher in a new era of peace and happiness.

(M. D. Gupta in A. B. Patrika)

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