

The Salvation Army, Jaffna.
The new General Secretary Brigadier Vidyasagar and Sangati (Brigadier and Mrs. Hughes) will conduct the following Special Meetings: Saturday 27th July 10.00 a. m. Officers' Meeting 1.30 p. m. Jaffna Prison 5.00 p. m. Chavakachcheri Practising School, Sunday, 28th July 9.00 a. m. S. A. Hall, Erilalai 4.00 p. m. Manipal Christian Association Hall, 6.30 p. m. S. A. Hall, Jaffna.

Merchant of Venice in Tamil
Under the auspices of the Jaffna Saiva Maangayar Sabha, the Jaffna Sangeetha Abhivirithi Sabha will stage "Merchant of Venice" in Tamil at the Ramanathan College, Chunnakam, on Friday the 26th instant at 6.45 p. m. in aid of the Jaffna Fighter Plane Fund.

Atikar Honoured.
The retiring Managing Director, Atikar A. Naganathan, of the Jaffna Co-operative Central Bank, was unanimously elected Honorary Patron of the bank. Mr. G. de Soysa, Acting Registrar of Co-operative Societies referred to the Atikar as the "Grandfather of Jaffna and the Father of that Bank."

The New Tropical Farm School Buildings

The Administration block of the farm school at Peradeniya which was built by Mr. Joel Paul, building contractor, Telipallai, who lives at Kandy at present, was opened by H. E. the Governor on the 20th inst at 4 p. m. The Minister of Agriculture and Lands and the Minister of Communication and Works and a very large gathering of guests invited from various parts of the Island were present. After tea the buildings were inspected by the Governor and Lady Caldwell distributed presents to the students.

The new school consisting of lecture theatres, class rooms, laboratories, library, a hostel for 50 students, Staff quarters, Hostel for 20 vernacular teachers and the newly opened Administration building costs about Rs. 130,000.

Children's Rally

The S. I. U. C. Children's Rally took place at Vaddukoddai on Saturday July 20th. In the morning Children's Service was conducted by Mr. K. S. Jayasingham, s. v. This was followed by Children's Exercises. In the afternoon there was a singing Exhibition in which Udavil and Vaddukoddai Churches obtained First Class certificates in the first Division.

War Purposes Fund

The Government War Purposes Fund has now reached the total of Rs. 68,973.24. The amount of Rs. 7,883.23 acknowledged since the last date from the general public includes Rs. 5,350 collected by the Ceylon Textile Merchants' Association. The full list is:

Previously acknowledged :-
Rs. cts
From the General Public 31581.63
From Social and Sports Clubs 2720.00
From the Public Services and Government Pensioners 8535.69

Value of Co-operative Movement

The view that co-operation was the very best training for rural reconstruction was expressed by Mr. M. Prasad, Government Agent who presided at the thirteenth annual Jaffna District Co-operative Conference.

Athletics in the North

A crowd witnessed the Annual Inter Collegiate Athletic Sports Meet held under the auspices of the Jaffna Schools Sports Association last week. Mr. Justice Cannon and Mrs. Cannon and Mr. M. Prasad,

the Government Agent, were among those present.

St. Patrick's by taking the championship with 132 points maintained the proud position they have held for the past seven years.

K. Sirapatham, an intermediate of St. Patrick's, broke the record for the 100, 200 yards and 100 yards hurdles.

St. Patrick's teams won the senior and junior relays and also broke ground records.

In the senior division, M. Gunasingam of St. Patrick's, broke the half mile and mile records.

In the Inter pole vault and junior high jump, the George brothers of Jaffna College, broke the previous record.

The individual champions were: Seniors: A. Alphonsus (St. John's) Inter: K. Sivapatham (St. Patrick's) Juniors: S. Sivarason (St. Patrick's) St. John's College was second with 44 points and Jaffna College third, with 40 points.

Mr. M. Prasad gave away the prizes.

Much credit is due to the Rev. Fr. T. M. F. Long, O. M. I., President of the Association, and Mr. R. J. Thuraijah, the secretary for the splendid arrangements at the meet.

Press Communique issued by the Governor's Office

The Governor feels sure that the people of Ceylon will wish to join him in congratulating Mr. & Mrs. Leslie de Saram on their gift of a second £5,000 to the Imperial Exchequer for War purposes. The announcement of this second donation is made without the consent of the donors, who wished it to remain unpublished; feeling however that publication would be in the public interest His Excellency requested permission to exercise his own discretion in the matter.

Research work in Tamil

A scholarship to pursue research work in Tamil at the Annamalai University in South India has been awarded to Mr. K. P. Ratnam of Moolai Jaffna.

This is one in the series of scholarships granted periodically by Government for the purpose of encouraging students of art and music and research workers who have shown exceptional promise or capacity. The aim is to enable these students to develop their talent by pursuing courses in a University or other institution abroad approved by the Governor. The scholarships are granted on the recommendation of the Executive committee of Education. The scholarship now granted is tenable for two years.

The Things that Abide

The Christian Literature Society has published the addresses given by Rev. C. W. Ransom at the Kodakkal Missionary Convention in May under the title, *The Things that Abide*. All those who have read the book are profoundly moved by the deep thought and scholarly presentation of the Subjects. Price 8 Annas.

Wedding

A pretty wedding took place according to Hindu rites on the 14th instant at Vaddukoddai, between Dr. S. C. Vijayaratham D. I. M. & S. (Ceylon) I. M. S. Ho neoy (Alg.) son of Mr. & Mrs. Sittampalam Chelliah of Araly North, and Miss M. Yohaladham of Vaddukoddai. Mr. R. A. M. Thuraiappah, Provincial Engineer, N. P., Jaffna, is a grand-uncle of the bride.

Clerical Examination

An examination for candidates for admission to the General Clerical Service will be held in Colombo, Kandy, Galle and Jaffna on October 26, 1940.

Full particulars regarding the examination appear in the Ceylon Government Gazette of the 15th July 1940.

Personal

—Mr. L. Chelvarajah Williams, B. Sc. (Lond.) formerly of Central College, Jaffna, has passed the B. Sc. (Engineering) of the London University and has been elected an Associate Member of the City and Guilds London. He is the eldest son of the late Mr. Durai Williams and Mrs. L. C. Williams of Vaddukoddai and an Old Boy of Jaffna College. He is now in England and is expected to travel to Ceylon shortly.

—The Rev. James S. Mather who was away in Batticaloa for a Special Mission returned to Jaffna this week.

—Mr. K. S. Jayasingham, son of the late Rev. J. E. Sinnatambay of J. C. S. I. U. C. has obtained the B. D. degree of the Serampore Theological University.

—Mr. S. Perumaiyanar, District Revenue Officer has been appointed to Palhai and Mr. C. Sabaratnam, District Revenue Officer to Pooneryn.

Mr. M. Saravanamuttu formerly of the editorial staff of the Ceylon Observer and at present Editor of the "Straits Echo" and allied papers has been appointed to be a Justice of the Peace for the Settlement of Penang. Mr. Saravanamuttu is the fifth son of the late Dr. V. Saravanamuttu of Colombo.

—Mr. M. Vaitilingam has been appointed to act as additional Magistrate on the 27th July to hear Mr. C. Mallagum case No. 21,222.

—Mr. T. S. N. Raghavan, Deputy Secretary of the Finance Department, Madras, has been appointed Agent of the Government of India in Ceylon.

—Mr. W. T. Jegasothy, Office Assistant to the Government Agent, Central Province will be on leave from 8th to 31st.

The Jaffna Christian Union

The Annual Meeting of the above will take place at St. Peter's Church on Monday the 29th inst. at 6 p. m. The following will be the speakers.

Rev. D. T. Niles
Mr. R. S. D. Williams (Principal, Central College)
Miss H. Sircar (Associate Secretary, S. C. M. India Burma and Ceylon)

Mr. Lewis Subramaniam, President of the Society, will preside. Reports of work will be read. All are cordially invited to attend. A collection on behalf of the Society's work will be taken.

S. Kulandran,
Secy. Christian Union,
Erilalai,
24th July, 1940.

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பெருமையுடன் கவிதை ஒன்றை மிகச்
குறைந்த தன்மையில் பதிருக்கா
கடைபிடி கணப்பெரும் பல தனி
புகழ்க்கு இது ஒன்றாகும் கிறித்து
நாசித்து, தன்மையில் கடைபிடி, பன்
கன் கிறித்து, உரு கைய தன்மை
இருக்கும் பரிபேதத்தில் பருகும்
தற்கால கிணைக்கும் தோகைக்கும்
கரு, ஒரு துற மதிசி இவ்வாறும்
செருது விரியும் இரண்டு பிடி
கடைபிடிக்கும் செயல்பெரும் இரண்டு
தன் துறமாக உபயோகப்படுவது
இதழைத்தெதன் கிணைப்பில் ஒருகூ
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கை திரிமையிருந்து ஒன்றாகி
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வரும் ஒன்றில் வமத்து உடம்பு
திரும், வேறு காதி துறப்பில் போ
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CRIME IN 1939

Two important things deserve our notice and comment from the Administration Report of the Inspector-General of Prisons for the year 1939. One is the unfortunate fact that crime was on the increase last year, and the other is the encouraging fact that a start has been made with the Training School for Youthful Offenders. With regard to the matter of increasing crime, we find that the total number of prisoners of all classes admitted to prison during the year under review was 31,497 representing a very large increase of 4678 over the previous year's total. The total number of convicted men and women amounted to 19,481 and 455 respectively, registering an increase again of 2940 over the previous year's figures. The number of prisoners convicted of crimes of serious violence, i.e. murder, attempted murder, homicide, grievous hurt, and hurt with dangerous weapons during 1939 was 1563 as against 1037 and 1028 in the preceding two years. In connection with this, the Inspector-General makes the following observation: "These figures illustrate the disquieting fact that convictions for serious crimes of violence, involving murder, homicide, grievous wounding and the use of dangerous weapons have risen sharply by over 50 percent during the year under review as compared with those for 1938. Since 1936 the rate of increase has been steady but gradual, i.e. 374 in 1936, 1028 in 1937 and 1037 in 1938, and it is difficult, even in a country with a high incidence of violent crime, to account for the sudden and substantial increase under discussion."

We are very happy to learn that a long felt need of the country has been met and a final start made with the Training School for Youthful Offenders. Though technically speaking this event did not take place in the year under review, the preparations made specially last year culminated in the opening of this School on the first of March of this year. The necessary buildings have been completed on extensive grounds and the needed administrative machinery set in motion and all things point to a useful future for the School. In the School, agriculture will form one of salient features in the work and training of the lads. We are also told that vocational trades like carpentry and tailoring will also be taught in due course, but that for the present attention will be confined to a good deal of earth and other works necessary for the construction of playing fields and for making the grounds of the Schools presentable. We shall in conclusion let the Inspector-General himself speak about this School: "The establishment of the Training School for Youthful Offenders in Ceylon, popularly but erroneously described as the Borstal Institute, marks a red letter day in the history of the department and brings into fruition a scheme for the training and rehabilitation of adolescent novices in crime which has been under consideration since 1924 and which is twenty-five years overdue. Its commencement has been accompanied by no fanfare of trumpets and though its establishment after long years of steady agitation and pressure both by the Department and by public opinion, has not been free from difficulties and drawbacks the authorities who are faced with the responsibility for its administration know that solid foundations have been laid and

look forward with quiet purpose and high confidence to its success in the reclamation and regeneration of erring youth."

THE NORTHERN RAILWAY

Two weeks back we drew the attention of the General Manager of Railways in these columns to the bad state of affairs prevailing in the Northern Line with regard to the trains failing to keep to their fixed time. Matters have not in any way improved. On the other hand, the trains continue to fail to work on time and matters are getting worse with the trains arriving in Jaffna from Colombo much later than usual. Last week for two days the Colombo train was more than three hours late in arriving in Jaffna. And on the other days they continued to arrive late though not by several hours. On two occasions there were good excuses, once engine failure and the other time a herd of buffaloes. What have the authorities to say about the lateness on other days? As we said last time, it is now the rule and not the exception for these trains to arrive late. Besides causing great hardship and inconvenience to the travellers, this state of affairs results in the mails reaching the people late. For how long are our people to tolerate the present situation and even suffer it? What excuses can the Railway give? Perhaps, they may now plead the pilgrim traffic to Kathirgammam as an excuse. We are tired of listening to such excuses. The Railway must have, judging from the past certainly anticipated a rush and made adequate arrangements to cope with the situation. If the necessary arrangements had been made there would be no reason for any such excuse. Engine failure is a very convenient reason to trot out on convenient occasions, but we ask the Railway if there is not any truth in the rumour that very often weak, bad engines are used on this line. We once again appeal to the General Manager of Railways to look into this matter carefully and give it his prompt attention.

HIS GRACE THE METROPOLITAN'S FINAL MESSAGE IN JAFFNA

(Continued from last issue)

His Grace the Metropolitan illustrated the practicability of a vital Christianity from his own experience and said that a man or woman, in any walk of life, can exhibit these characteristics of a living Church.

In his travels all over the world, he said, he came across many such cases from unexpected quarters.

There was a gentleman who was a dancer giving enjoyable entertainments to people. He went from country to country in the pursuit of his profession. Wherever he went he conducted himself, on the stage, as a true Christian, and often he gave a witness of his own from the same platform in which he was dancing. Always he availed himself of every opportunity to spread the quality of life he was living.

Similarly there was a soldier wounded in the last war. He started a business in London and was able to command a large amount of labour. But when he became converted, he decided to go out into the country where several wounded soldiers and poor people did not know how to earn a living. He taught them how to do poultry business and he used all his money and talents in helping the poor in this way and at the same time helping them to know and love the Lord Jesus Christ.

Again there was a lady Doctor who came out to Burma to do medical work. Her idea was that this work must be done well. That was her only business in life. But when she became converted, she realised that her business was to become a faithful witness for Christ and his Saving Power, and medical work is an aid to this main objective of her life work. So if every member

of the Church realised his or her place as a living witness for Christ, then the Church would become truly His Body performing the functions for which it was established.

PRAYER FOR UNITY.

O God, we believe it is Thy will that the Church of Thy dear Son should be drawn together in a living fellowship. But we neither have wisdom, courage, nor love sufficient to achieve Thy will. We pray Thee, therefore, to so enlighten our ignorance, to inspire our wills with courage, to inflame us with Thy love that all obstacles may be removed, and we may all be one in the Service of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

HOW DOES GOVERNMENT SPEND PUBLIC REVENUES.

In the preceding article which was published in the last issue of the Magazine it was explained how Government gets the money it needs. The object of this article is to give the reader an idea of how the money so obtained by Government is spent.

In the matter of expenditure Government is in the position of a trustee and its primary function is to promote the welfare of the people. How does the Government set about doing this?

In the first place Government has established departments through which it carries out its various activities in the different spheres of administration and development. The essence of good Government consists in the establishment of peace and order and towards this end Government has its Defence, Judicial, Legal, Police and Prisons Departments. Government is also alive to the fact that the social welfare of the people is of the first importance and has established Departments to attend to the educational, medical and health requirements of the country. Nor do the activities of Government end there; it has also to provide for the economic development of the country in order to increase its wealth and provide different avenues of employment for its people. It has, therefore, its departments of Commerce and Industries, Agriculture, Irrigation, Forestry, Land and Survey, Salt and Mineralogy, Colombo Port Commission, Post Office and Railway to mention only a few of the more important departments. It has also the Public Works Department which is responsible for the construction and maintenance of Government buildings, bridges, roads, &c., in the Island. Before any disbursement of public funds is made (other than disbursements permanently authorized by special laws) the prior sanction of the elected representatives of the Ceylon public in State Council is required. This procedure takes the form of what is commonly called the Budget.

The subjoined table shows the expenditure for the financial year 1938-39, i.e., from October 1938, to September, 1939, grouped under the main services and the relation which the expenditure under each head bears to the total expenditure of the Island.

Services	Amount in Million Rupees.	Percent
1 Defence	6.2	4.1
2 Law and Justice	3.6	2.8
3 Police and Prisons	4.7	3.7
4 Civil Administration	10.7	8.5
5 Revenue Departments	3.3	2.6
6 Public Debt	9.4	7.4
7 Pensions	11.7	9.2
8 Education	19.4	15.3
9 Health	13.6	10.7
10 Public Works	11.1	8.7
11 Postal Services	7.6	6.0
12 Railway (Deficit)	4.6	3.6
13 Ports	2.9	2.3
14 Agriculture	4.1	3.2
15 Survey	3.1	2.5
16 Irrigation	2.2	1.7
17 Labour, Industries and Commerce	6.4	5.0
18 Miscellaneous	3.4	2.7
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Bridge Building

The need for "bridge-building" especially at the present moment was emphasised by His Excellency the Governor at the annual general meeting of the Ceylon Branch of the Royal Empire Society held at Galle Face Hotel.

"Since I came to Ceylon I have been preaching the necessity for bridge-building", continued the Governor, "but quite frankly I have to admit a bitter sense of disappointment. At this time of war, when it is absolutely necessary that we should all pull together there is still greater necessity for it and I suggest to you that one of the ways to do it is to ask people round for small parties."

He himself proposed to start such parties, he added, and he wanted to get young people more especially. The more they met together the more could that bring the different communities together. The women's International Club was doing great work of that type.

"Believe me, if you get together in times of struggle, you will have something worth while created locally as a result of the war."

Revenue Officers

The following candidates have been selected for appointment as Probationers in the scheme of Divisional Revenue Officers in the Tamil administrative area on the results of the examination held in February last.

Messrs. T. Balachandran, M. I. Mohideen S. Paramasakaram, K. Ponnampalam, J. T. Sabapathipillai, N. Sivagnanasundaram.

Arca Conference of the Y. M. C. A.

The Annual Arca Conference of the Y. M. C. A. in Ceylon will be held next week, ending at Uduvil, Rev. D. I. Niles, who is now on the World Staff of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. J. H. Dunderdale, the National Boys' Work Secretary for India, Burma and Ceylon and Mr. R. O. Buell, the General Secretary, the Central Y. M. C. A., Colombo will be the leaders. The main theme of the conference will be: "Whither Y?" The following will be among the topics to be discussed: The Objectives of the Y. M. C. A., The Y. M. C. A. and the Churches, Programme making and its technique, and Increased All-Island Co-operation. The conference will commence at 5 p.m. on Friday the 2nd August and will terminate with the afternoon of Sunday.

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In the District Court of Jaffna Testamentary Jurisdiction, No. 901.

In the matter of the intestate estate of Somasundara Panchakshara Kerkkal, Temple Priest of Pankudutivu Jaffna Deceased

Parasakthi Ammal widow of Somasundara Panchakshara Kerkkal of Pankudutivu Petitioner.

vs.
1. Visaladevi Ammal wife of 2. I. Kailashanathar Aiyar of Pankudutivu Respondents.

This matter coming on for disposal before C. Coomaraswamy Esquire District Judge of Jaffna on the 6th day of July 1940 in the presence of Mr. D. J. Gnanapragasam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner, the named and the affidavit of the said petitioner dated 25th day of March 1940 having been read. It is ordered that the petitioner be and she is hereby declared entitled as widow of the above-named deceased to have letters of Administration to his estate issued to her unless the respondents above-named or any other person or persons interested shall on or before the 21st day of August 1940 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of the Court to the contrary.

Sgd. C. Coomaraswamy,

District Judge

This 10th day of July 1940.

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