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**Message**

The following message has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies:—  
"I am proud and pleased to learn that the Government of Ceylon whose people have already contributed generously to the Empire's war chest has now opened a Ceylon Government War Purposes Fund."

"His Majesty's Government is most grateful for this further earnest of Ceylon's generous and practical help in the Empire war effort."

**War Purposes Fund**  
The contributions to the Government of Ceylon War Purposes Fund received up to July 24 bring the fund to Rs. 73,593.31.

From the General public has come a sum of Rs. 2,832.81, while the Social and Sports Clubs have contributed Rs. 1,950.

The following is the list: Provisionally acknowledged from the General Public Rs. 39,464.86, From Social & Sports Clubs 30,134.25, From the Public Services and Govt. Pensioners 9,874.13, Total Rs. 68,973.24.

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The 108th Annual General Meeting of Depositors was held on the 30th ultimo in Colombo.

**Allapiddy**  
Last Saturday the members of the Methodist Churches in Jaffna Town and Vannarponnai went in a motor boat to Allapiddy and conducted special services. At 9 a.m. a thanksgiving service was held. The Rev. James S. Mather in his opening address referred to the past history of the Allapiddy Mission and specially mentioned about the work of the late Mr. Tambiah S. Cooke who took great interest in that work.

Rev. S. Maragosa and Mr. W. G. Spencer, Advocate, delivered addresses. The "Sale" was opened by Mrs. N. S. Sanders. At noon the visitors had a fellowship meal along with the local members of the Church, and in the evening a Concert was held.

**The Task of Women in the Changing World Order.**  
This is the subject of a public address to be delivered by Miss Ramnagar Mathiparanam M. Se. Head of the Department of Philosophy in Lahore Women's Christian College, at St. Peter's Methodist Church, Jaffna, on Wednesday 7th inst at 5-30, p.m. The address is under the auspices of the women's auxiliary and is open to all, men included.

**Wedding.**  
The marriage of Miss Josephine Neehatnan daughter of the late Mr. Louis Ponniah, and granddaughter of the late Rev. J. M. Sanders with Mr. D. K. Paripattasayagam of the Government Clerical Service was solemnized at Allapiddy Church last Friday.

Rev. G. D. Thomas and Rev. James Mather officiated. The attending witnesses were Mr. A. B. Subramaniam and Rev. V. M. John. After the service a reception was held at the bride's residence, when Miss L. G. Bookwiter and Mr. A. R. Supramaniam proposed the health of the couple, and the bridegroom thanked briefly.

**Obituary.**  
Mr. D. P. Lawrence of Madampage Group, Rakwana, second son of the late Dr. and Mrs. B. C. Lawrence of Varray, Jaffna, passed away on Saturday the 20th ultimo at 3 a. m. at the age of

61. The funeral took place on Sunday. The funeral service at the residence and at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. D. S. Ratnathickam, assisted by the Rev. J. M. Singanayagam.

He leaves, besides his widow, three sons and seven daughters and five brothers and two sisters to bemoan his loss. In his funeral oration, the parish priest made reference to the love and hospitality the deceased had shown to all and to the philanthropic work he had carried on at his place for the past twenty-five years. The funeral was largely attended.

**Area Conference of the Y. M. C. A.**

In connection with the Area Conference of the Y. M. C. A.'s in Ceylon, which, as we stated last week, is to take place at Uduvil this week-end, there will be a public meeting on Saturday at 6.30 p.m. Two important addresses will be delivered; one, on the Y. M. C. A. in the West by the Rev. D. T. Niles; and the other on the Y. M. C. A. in India, Burma and Ceylon by Mr. R. O. Duell.

**Maha Aykya Sabai, Araly North.**

At the annual meeting held last week election of office-bearers resulted as follows:—

- Sir W. Duraisamy, President; Dr. C. Somasundaram, Vice-President; Mr. S. S. Arunampalam, Mr. V. Sabapathy, Chairman of the Executive Board; Mr. J. P. Kanthya, C. C. S., Secretary; Dr. J. P. Subramaniam, Treasurer; Mr. J. F. Ponnampalam, Legal Advisor; Mr. J. M. Ayathurai, Secretary.

**Union High School, Tellipalai**

The annual Inter-House Sports Meet of the Union High School Tellipalai, proved a great success. A feature of the occasion was the stalls run by the scouts to raise money for the Jaffna Sead a Plane Fund.

Competition was very keen and interesting and ended in Ward House winning the championship with 184 1/2 points. Smith House being second with 121 1/2 points and Dickson third with 118 points. The cup for the House that displayed the best spirit at the meet was awarded to Dickson House.

Miss L. G. Bookwiter distributed the prizes which included cups for individual champions and certificates for the others.

**Girls:** The individual champions were:—  
Infants: S. Saraswathy (Ward House);  
Juniors: P. Manonnammy (Dickson House);  
Seniors: M. Maheswaryammah (Ward House).

**Boys:** Arunangam A. Senior champion; Subramaniam, S. Inter champion; Raman S. Juniors; Hari-chandran T. Infants.

**Farwell**

The leper patients at the Mantive Asylum, Batticaloa, bade farwell to Dr. J. T. Amerasingham on the eve of his departure to Kitalakula. Speeches were made by three patients extolling the doctor. It was said that more improvements had been made by him in three years than by all his predecessors put together.

**Personel**

Mr. S. K. Thuraisingham Sub-Divisional Agricultural Officer Northern Province has been transferred to Wariyapola as Divisional Agricultural Officer Northern Western Province. Mr. C. R. Karunaratna succeeds Mr. Thuraisingham as Sub-Divisional Agricultural Officer N. P.

—Adigar A. Naganather has left for Kandy for a change and will return to Jaffna after a fortnight.

—Dr. S. W. Charles Ratnesar has assumed duties as Medical Superintendent of the Leprosy Hospital at Batticaloa in succession to Dr. J. T. Amerasingham who is transferred to Kitalakula.

—A cable has been received that Mr. T. A. Karalukulasingham B.Sc. London of Trinity College Kandy has obtained the Diploma in Education of the London University gaining distinction. He is in England and will be leaving for Ceylon before long.

**Third Ceylon Area Y. M. C. A. Conference**

Public Meeting AT THE UDUVIL CHURCH ON Saturday, the 3rd Aug. 1940 AT 6 P. M.

Chairman: W. D. Niles, Esq. Speakers: Dr. T. W. Graham, Dean of the Graduate School of Theology Oberlin University Ohio, U. S. A. and member of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A.'s of the U. S. A. and Canada.

R. O. Duell, Esq., General Secretary, Y. M. C. A., Colombo.

A collection will be made in aid of the Conference expenses.

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HOW DOES GOVERNMENT SPEND PUBLIC REVENUES.

(Continued from last issue)

It is too early in the year to estimate the final expenditure on the above services for the current financial year...

In addition to the expenditure referred to which is met directly from Public Revenue, Government also spends annually from Loan Funds considerable sums of money on large works or services...

Ceylon and the War.

SPECIAL MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE LATE REV. HENRY PETO

A service was held in memory of Rev. Henry Peto, Principal, St. John's College, Jaffna, (1920-1940) at St. John's Church at 6.15 p. m. on Sunday the 28th ultimo...

Mr. T. H. Crossette was the first speaker. He dwelt on Mr. Peto as a true Missionary, who tried his best to remove the barrier between the Europeans and the Ceylonese...

Rev. James Mather was the next speaker. He spoke of Rev. Peto as a man not only with "a mission" but with "a commission"...

Mr. J. V. Chelliah in a moving speech paid very high tributes to Mr. Peto. He said that a member of the Education Department once told him that no Principal was more able than Mr. Peto...

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE O. B. A. CELEBRATIONS.

The Annual Reunion of the Old Boys of St. John's College, Jaffna, took place on Saturday the 27th July. Proceedings began at 7 A. M. with the celebration of Holy communion...

The business meeting started at about 2.30 p. m. A vote of condolence was passed on the death of Mr. Peto...

ary's report, the Treasurer's balance sheet and the statement of accounts of the Thomson Memorial fund, the House proceeded to the election of office bearers for the ensuing year...

President: Rev. J. T. Arulanandam, Principal (Ex-Officio) Vice-Presidents: Mr. A. J. R. Vethavanam, Rev. J. S. Mather, Rev. V. B. Muthuvaloo, Mr. J. A. J. Tissayeerasinghe, Mr. A. R. Subramaniam, Mr. S. J. Gunasegaram, Secretary: Mr. C. A. Sannugam, Asst. Secy: Mr. E. M. Ponnudurai, Treas: Mr. J. T. Solomons, Committee: Messrs Sam. A. Sabapathy, A. M. Brodie, V. N. Bartlett, V. C. Unagaratnam, C. T. Solomons, S. Thambi, Durai, J. J. Hensman, G. S. Chelliah, J. R. Vethavanam, S. Sivapragasam, C. A. Tharasingam, R. E. Rajanayagam, K. V. Sinarurai, Edwin Samuel, D. C. Arulantham, K. Nesiiah, E. C. A. Navaratnam, Dr. V. S. Ramaswami, Rev. S. M. Visulasingam and Dr. R. E. W. Jehoratham.

THE CHILDREN'S RALLY

The Children's Rally, the annual festival of the children of the J. C. S. I. U. C., came off on the 20th July, 1940 at Vaddukoddi. By about nine o'clock in the morning, the whole place was filled with a large gathering of children...

The afternoon session commenced at 2.30 p. m. presided over by Mrs. R. C. P. Welch with the singing competitions, which to most people have become, wrongly, the central point of the whole festival...

These Certificates were distributed by Mrs. S. K. Bunker. Sports was a really refreshing item. It was indeed a pleasure to watch the glee of both children and parents, young and old.

- Division Udavi 1st class Vaddukoddi 2nd class Navaly Uduppiddy 3rd class Chavakachcheri Division Araly 2nd class Karainagar Navaly Annaiottai 3rd class

The whole show was a grand success the children enjoyed it thoroughly, and the grown ups too. The arrangements were perfect and done in mastery fashion. Mr. P. W. Ariyaratnam, the motive force behind the whole festival should be congratulated and thanked profusely for his untiring energy in making this festival such a success...

J. C. S. I. U. C. Workers Conference

A meeting of the above Conference will be held at Manipay on Monday the 5th August at 9 a. m.

New Doctors

Eight medical students have passed out as doctors, according to the results of the examinations held by the Ceylon Medical College last month. First class in order of merit: G. S. Ratnavale, A. T. S. Paul, C. Sivaganam, D. J. Attapalle, A. K. Black and S. Ponnampalam. Second Class in order of merit: C. S. Ratnatunga and T. P. J. Fernando.

G. S. Ratnavale has been awarded the Dadabhai Gold Medal for Medicine, the Rockwood Gold Medal for Surgery, the Garvin Gold Medal for Operative Surgery, the Diploma Medal and the Perry Exhibition.

He is a son of Dr. W. S. Ratnavale, retired Medical Officer, Colombo.

New Proctors

Mr. Prince R. Rajendra of Udavi took his oaths as Proctor for the last week in Colombo. He is the eldest son of the late Mr. Dwight Rajaratnam of the P. W. D. Katugastota, and Mrs. Rajaratnam of Udavi. He had his education at Jaffna College where he distinguished himself in his academical studies. He has now returned to Jaffna and is residing at Udavi. He has already commenced practice in the Courts of Jaffna.

Mr. M. Mathiparanam took his oaths as Proctor for the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Soerter on Thursday at 11.30 a. m. The Judges congratulated Mr. Mathiparanam and wished him success in his profession.

Mr. Mathiparanam is the second son of Mr. C. Muttavelu J. P. Retired Irrigation officer of Kokvil and is an old boy of the Jaffna Hindu College.

AUCTION SALE.

In the District Court of Jaffna, 1, Sellappah Rajaratnam and wife 2, Thangammah of Anaiottai No. 1472 vs. Plaintiff, Kathiravelu Ponnampalam of Vannarponnai East now manager Picture Palace Hatton. Defendant.

Under and by virtue of the Commission issued to me in the above case I shall sell by public auction the undermentioned mortgaged property for the recovery of the amount stated therein on Saturday the 24th day of August 1940 at 4 p. m. on the spot.

Property referred to: A divided extent of 16 Lms. V. C. and 3 1/2 Fls. with house well and other appurtenances of a piece of land situated at Vannarponnai East called Peiravalavu, Perivalavu Mylady and other parcels in extent 32 Lms. v. c. and 3 1/2 Fls. with its appurtenances and the said divided extent of 16 Lms. V. C. and 3 1/2 Fls. with its appurtenances as bounded on the East by the property of Kandappah Sappiah and Aramugam Kanagasabai and Road, North by the property of Thillaiampalam Ramanathan West by the property of Nagamuttu Kandiah and Vythilingam Appiah and South by the property of S. V. S. Kayalayam Chetty and others.

V. A. Durayappah, Commissioner.

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EDUCATIONAL REFORM

Our readers are doubtless aware of the questionnaire issued by the Special Committee on Education, that is now sitting to investigate into and report on the educational system of the country and all matters allied to it. One of the best answers sent to the questionnaire is embodied in a memorandum from the All-Ceylon Union of Teachers. This memorandum deserves, and demands, the serious attention of the Special Committee in particular and of the whole country in general for two reasons: one, because of its authors, and the other, because of its own intrinsic worth. If there is any body of men vitally interested in our educational matters, and genuinely concerned about the unrest and chaos prevailing over our educational problems, it is the body of teachers. Also, a body of men can be regarded as competent enough to pronounce judgement on and suggest reforms to our educational system, it is again the body of teachers. Hence, we welcome this memorandum of the All-Ceylon Union of Teachers. Further, the memorandum itself is an extremely valuable document, being a comprehensive survey of all the aspects of our educational system. If any reformed scheme is to be a success, we agree with the memorandum that the reform should proceed more or less on the lines indicated in the memorandum.

Very rightly the Union has set out in its memorandum a national system of education, suited to the genius of our people and in keeping with their traditions, as its ideal. Doubtless, there will be almost a universal chorus of approval over this ideal suggestion. Sir Percy Nunn, the great educational authority in England, as is quoted in the memorandum, says: "A nation's schools we might say, are an organ of its life, whose special function is to consolidate its spiritual strength, to maintain its historic continuity, to secure its past achievements, to guarantee its future". Our Schools, though they have been efficiently managed and though they have proved themselves to be educational workshops turning out thousands of English educated youth, can hardly be called national organs in this sense. So, the very first educational reform to be introduced must be to nationalise our whole system. To do this, the national languages of the country must be given their proper place. In the words of the memorandum, "the national languages alone can stimulate and enrich the creative life of the nation, serve to discover her peculiar genius, and thus help to achieve her individuality as a nation". Towards achieving this end, as a first step, the memorandum insists on Sinhalese and Tamil to be the medium of instruction in the Primary Schools during the most impressionable years of a child. Other languages must be studied as foreign languages by those, who can, only after the primary period of schooling is over. We are sure there will be general agreement with this suggestion. There can be no two words about the necessity of having the vernaculars as the medium of instruction in the primary school.

Other points of the memorandum will be noticed by us in our future issues.