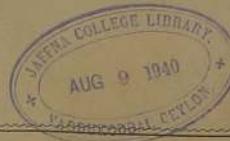


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RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTETH A NATION, BUT SIN IS A REPROACH TO ANY PEOPLE

War Purposes Fund

The people of the Jaffna Peninsula are patriotically collecting funds to purchase a fighting plane to be named "Jaffna" for presentation to His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom. In response to requests by the organisers of this Fund, it has been decided that Jaffna Tamils contributing to the War Purposes Fund may earmark their contributions during the months of July and August for the Jaffna Plane Fund. If any Jaffna Tamil contributor, whether in the Public Service or otherwise desires that his contributions for these months should be passed on to the Jaffna Plane Fund, he should notify the Deputy Financial Secretary who will comply with his request to be complied with.

Malaria Week at Murunkan

In the Musali District the Malaria Week was well organised and systematically carried out in the form of village cleaning and health lectures in the different villages and Schools.

The culmination of the Malaria Week was the School Concert at Murunkan R. C. School Hall, on the 27th of July at 6 p.m. under the distinguished patronage of Mr. & Mrs. W. D. Gamaratna, (A.G.A. Muunar.)

It was a great joy to see village children singing health songs. Most of the village Schools took part in the Concert.

Much credit should be given to Dr. G. N. R. Nathaniel, M.O. Murunkan, Mr. K. T. Muttiah, Sanitary Asst. Murunkan, and all teachers who took part in making the concert a great success.

Farewell to Magistrate.

On the eve of the departure from Jaffna of Mr. Julius Philips, Acting Magistrate, Panadura, Mr. H. R. Nalliah, Crown Proctor, on behalf of the Bar expressed appreciation of his work.

"You have been presiding at this court for the last four months", he said "and I must say, during that period we had a very pleasant time and the best of relationship prevailed between the bench and the Bar".

Mr. Philips thanked the Bar and the Court Staff for their cooperation.

Methodist Festival

In connection with the annual festival of the Point Pedro Methodist Church which began with a thanksgiving service, conducted by the Rev. E. M. Weaver, Chairman, N. D. Jaffna, Rev. S. R. Winslow, and Rev. M. S. Chinian the pastor, there was a day of ingathering at the Hartley College Hall.

Mrs. E. M. Weaver declared it open. The following were the stalls:

Needlework: Mrs. M. S. Chinian, Mrs. R. E. A. Niles, Mrs. L. A. Joshua, Mrs. P. W. A. Muttiah, Mrs. S. L. Muttiah, Miss A. Satiasegar, Miss K. Sinnathambi, Miss R. Elankanayagam and Mrs. S. V. Gunanayagam (Leader).

Refreshments: Miss E. Everett Mrs. James Velupillai, Mrs. S. S. Samuel, and Mrs. R. Joseph (Leader.)

Fruits and Vegetables: Mrs. I. W. A. Samuel, Messrs. P. S. Muthuswamy, Sam T. Solomons and S. C. Rasaratnam (Leader).

Livestock: Messrs. K. P. Valliparam, D. M. Rasaratnam, K. Selvaratnam and S. V. Arumugam, (Leader.)

Children's Bazaar: Misses P. Sinnathambi, A. Ariyatharan, Misses, C. J. T. Thamotheram J. P. Selvaratnam, A. S. Kathirgamanathan, and G. M. Alvapillai (Leader.)

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Welcome to Mr. A. Gardiner.

About four-hundred people gathered at the Galle Face Hotel on the 30th ultimo to accord a welcome to Mr. A. Gardiner, Managing Director of Ceylon Theatres, Ltd., and Mrs. Gardiner who returned to the Island after a 40,000 mile tour of America and several other countries. At Cuba he had been "enthroned or consecrated" Rotarian Governor of West India South India and Ceylon.

Congratulating Mr. Gardiner on the great honour he had won in his extensive tour, Sir Baron Jayatilaka said they all knew that Mr. Gardiner was a very successful business man but he ventured to submit, it was neither the proud distinction he had achieved in the Rotarian world nor his success as a businessman that had attracted such a large and representative gathering to welcome him and his wife.

"It is due to the fact that he is a jolly good fellow, a sincere and loyal friend, added Sir Baron,

Engineers

The following Tamils have come out successful in the April Examination of the Institution of Civil Engineers: Associate Members.

S. R. K. Iyer of Colombo, Section A, and B.

C. R. Tissanayagam Section A, T. Kumaratnam of Chunnakam, Section B.

N. Periyatamby of Colombo, Section B.

V. N. Rajaratnam of Colombo, Section B.

T. Thiruchittampalam of Colombo Section B.

Mr. V. N. Rajaratnam is the second son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Stoner Rajaratnam of Jaffna,

Mr. C. R. Tissanayagam is the eldest son of Mr. G. S. Tissanayagam, Executive Engineer, Kalmar. He is the only candidate from Ceylon to get through the "A" section of the A. M. L. C. E. examination this year.

—Mr. Christmas Arulampalam of St. Joseph's College has passed the competitive examination of the Engineering College, Bombay.

Obituary

The death occurred of Mrs. Annammah Muttiah aged 62 on the 1st instant at the Naval Parsonage. The deceased was the widow of the late Mr. F. S. Muthiah, Irrigation Inspector and a daughter of the late Rev. Samuel Morse of the C. M. S. and a sister of Mr. W. R. Morse, retired chief Post Master, Anapanty, Jaffna. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Canon Somasundram assisted by Revs. E. K. Yesuthasan, K. A. Kandiah, James S. Mathur, & J. V. J. Arnold. She rests in the Manipur cemetery.

Leaves behind a son and a daughter, wife of Rev. S. P. Wijenoolah, who was on a short leave in Colombo.

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THE CHURCH AND MONEY

By

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NORTH Ceylon District.

The first thing to be said on this subject is that all money given for the work of Christ's Church should be consecrated money. And from this principle two things at least naturally follow:

First, the Church which receives the gifts of God's people must recognise that they are a sacred trust and must be handled in a religious spirit. No waste or extravagance should be permitted in the disposal of them. Strict economy should be practised by every steward and the first claim on the funds should always be for spiritual and evangelistic work.

Secondly, it follows that the giver should hallow the gift by thought and prayer. Its amount should be regulated by an enlightened Christian conscience. No money thus devoted to the work of God should be encroached upon for personal expenditure or diverted to other objects. There should be a considered proportion between what a Christian sets aside for this purpose and his necessary expenses under other heads. No one scale can reasonably be fixed for all alike. Ten per cent would be a hardship in some cases. In other cases it would be a paltry proportion of an income which leaves a handsome margin between what a man gets and what he is obliged to spend on legitimate personal commitments. Each Christian should decide for himself and give what he can afford to give with reasonable sacrifice after conscientious calculation.

Gifts to God's work should be given regularly week by week in God's house. They should be an essential part of worship. The system of monthly collections through Pastors' Fund books, which is in vogue generally in Ceylon, has its disadvantages, especially when contributors allow their payments to fall into arrears or when they are tempted to think that the church income will not suffer though they may be irregular in their attendance at the services. As an auxiliary this method may be useful but the ideal is a weekly gift offered as a real and important part of the Christian's regular worship in God's house. A hundred per cent attendance at Sunday services, with considered and systematic giving, would solve all our financial problems.

Some churches are coming to depend too much on Ingatherings and Festivals for a considerable portion of their annual income. Such efforts may be useful but they should not be made central in our planning. If regular and proportionate giving were practised they would soon become superfluous. It is the people of the church who contribute most of the gifts on these occasions and it is the same people who do most of the buying. So that if what they give and spend at sales were spread over the whole year in regular gifts, thus supplementing what they give to the church collections, the church's income would be more stable and regular, and a great deal of unremunerative effort would be avoided.

It goes without saying that no doubtful methods must be tolerated in the raising of Church funds. God's money must be clean. How else can we ask Him to bless it and use it for the furtherance of His Kingdom? Some of the expedients which have

been employed by certain churches are a disgrace to any Christian community. In particular, gambling, games or competitions of chance, and unseemly dramatic representations must be definitely barred.

In a Free Church all monies given by its members are free will offerings. There are no exactions, fees or fines. This means that thoughtful and ungenerous members get a very cheap religion, if indeed such persons get any religion at all. The writer knew of a man in England who lived in the suburbs but always attended a town church. There was an afternoon brotherhood and an evening service. He once complained that his religion cost him one shilling and four pence a week. On enquiry the bill was found to be made up as follows: six pence for his bus fare, nine pence for his tea, and a penny for the collection. That story represents the so-called Christians who use their freedom to defraud the work of the Kingdom and to pamper themselves. On the other hand freedom means to the sincere Christian a constant tension between the claims of God and self. He will search his conscience and often be impelled to tax himself to the limit of his ability in order that he may adequately support the cause which claims the supreme loyalty of his heart.

It cannot yet be said that, in Ceylon, Christians are supporting the work of the Church to which they owe allegiance to the limit of their financial ability. Church collections on the whole are miserably poor. Too much reliance is still placed on financial help from the older Churches not merely for the prosecution of evangelistic work but also for the support of local pastors. And that by societies which are well able to dispense with such help. The time has come when the churches must expect to shoulder this burden at least and charge themselves with the maintenance of those who minister to them in holy things.

CEYLON ASSOCIATION AT SELANGOR
TRIBUTE TO REV'D. H. PETO

At an extraordinary General Meeting of the Ceylon Association held on July 14th the following resolution was passed.

"The meeting expresses its deep sorrow at the untimely demise, under tragic circumstances of Rev. H. Peto and places on record its sense of high appreciation on the esteemed services he rendered to the advancement of education in Ceylon and particularly to St. John's College, Jaffna in his capacity as Principal".

"One of God's great gift to the Church Mission in Ceylon" was the tribute paid to Rev. Peto by Mr. M. W. Narayanan, President of the Association in moving the resolution. Continuing he said I have been fortunate to have come in contact with Revd. Peto when he visited Malaya in 1938 and was struck by the fund of inexhaustible energy resourcefulness and initiative he possessed. To him life was "ioily regular," drab and monotonous when it was not crowded with bustling activity. Those who met him never came away without being impressed by the simplicity of his soul, the candour of his heart, his deep erudition in the problems of the day and his passionate eagerness for service. Such men as he, are rare in the public life today which is being dominated by other value. May his soul rest in peace.

Hon. Secretary.

BETTER DAYS ARE HERE.

The Agricultural Ministry is on the right road, that will lead congested Jaffna to the promised land. The Minister of Agriculture recently appointed an Official committee to formulate plans for systematic development of the crown land yet available for colonisation under the Karachchi scheme. This is a continuance of the spirit of the purposeful policy pursued by

the Agricultural Ministry in the other parts of the Island.

There are, under the Karachchi scheme, large tracts of land yet available for cultivation and colonisation. Three of the largest are (a) 1150 acres lying South of the existing Paranthan fields, (b) about 300 acres in Morosuntai and (c), about 2000 acres lying North of Morosuntai road. A further tract between the Jaffna-Anuradhapura road and another at Jaffna-Puthukudiyiruppu road.

This committee in the formulation of their plans have had in view among other matters the provision to the prospective colonist of sanitary and health facilities, a habitable and sanitary homestead for him and suitable marketing facilities as might be decided upon from time to time for his produce.

It is gratifying to note that the Ministry and the Land Commission Committee have served the purpose well in these matters.

Further, they have considered the advisability of utilizing many of these lands for the settlement of from four to five hundred families of small holders recruited from the overpopulated and congested parts of the peninsula and to allot to each of such families 5 acres of paddy and 3 of irrigable land for garden crops and residential houses.

These proposals have no doubt many attractive features. The largest element of fear to the average Kilinochchi colonist arose from the uncertainty concerning proper marketing facilities and Malaria. These questions have been boldly and brilliantly answered by the Committee. There may be, here and there weaknesses in their findings. Their plan, however, on the whole, is workable.

But more than overpopulation and congestion there are more powerful forces now operating in Jaffna, this land of English secondary schools. Foremost among them are the English-educated-unemployed whose powers in the playing fields of Jaffna no less than in the school room must be the envy of young men in the other parts of the country. There is no more opening for them in the professions. Malaya has locked, barred and bolted her door against them. Their certificates will not fetch them billets in Government and mercantile offices. Their occupation seems to be to run gingerly their bony fingers through the pages of Karl Marx's Da Kapital. In everyone of these young men we come across a potential Sama Samajist. Yet these young men abound in grit, enthusiasm and grim determination—qualities that overcome obstacles. What they need is not the pages of Da Kapital. What they need is the capital to strike out independently in the pursuit of an enterprise that will bring them rice and raiment. The solution, therefore is "Give the unemployed the capital necessary as loans, repayable within in easy instalments and put them on the land, to till it and eat."

The revival of any enterprise cannot be charted on class bases. Unemployment assuming such prodigious proportions must be overcome. That this problem could be met and solved only by the cry of 'Back to the land' no one would deny but a fool. Now that the Ministry of Agriculture is in the mood to do what ever that is deemed needful and necessary for the commonweal, let it take under its protective wings the unemployed English-educated youth of Jaffna.

The new faith, Better days are here, is reasonably founded and the years ahead will see Jaffna men marching forward energetically and purposefully along the road to economic wealth under this new Karachchi Scheme.

C. S.

CO-OPERATIVE BANK'S PROGRESS

The most striking feature of this bank is that the money invested in it is well used to contribute greatly to the economic

development and advancement of the Jaffna Peninsula," observed Mudaliyar V. Ponnambalam, the President of the Jaffna Co-operative Central Bank Ltd, in moving the adoption of the report and the audited accounts at the eleventh annual general meeting of the bank.

Mudaliyar Ponnambalam further said that they were now trying to have a building of their own and had already an accumulated building fund of Rs. 11,000. They were trying to secure a suitable site from the Government on a long lease. If this could be done, the amount of the building fund would be sufficient for the actual construction of a building for the bank.

At the close of the last bank year the number of shareholders was 311, composed of 39 individuals and 272 Societies. At the close of the year under review the number had risen to 326, composed of 938 individuals and 287 Society shareholders.

It will be seen, continued the Chairman, that the number of Societies affiliated to the bank had been steadily increasing every year showing the strong position which this bank occupied as the financing agency of the co-operative movement in this district.

During the last year the amount received as fixed deposits was Rs. 453,456, as against Rs. 428,687 97 received during the year under review.

At the close of the year under review, the amount overdue from live Societies had amounted to Rs. 42,943.46 as against Rs. 39,179.95 in the previous year. This increase, was partly due to the failure of crops caused by the floods, but every effort was being taken by the bank and the officers of the Department to recover these early.

In spite of the considerable increase of overdrafts during the year under review, the bank had worked with a profit of Rs. 13,615.25 as against Rs. 12,823.97 in the previous year.

The report and the audited accounts were duly adopted.

OFFICE-BEARERS

The election of office-bearers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:—

President: Mudaliyar V. Ponnambalam Board of Directors:—Vice-Presidents: Messrs. J. C. Anerasingham and V. Veerasingham. Directors: Messrs. M. Ponnambalam, K. Ariacutty, E. M. Thiruchelvam, S. Veerasingham, P. Mutumvannar, R. Ponnambalam, S. Karthigesu Iyer, V. Suppiah, K. Kamapathipillai, V. J. Chinniah and S. Thambo.

The Jaffna Urban Council

A General Meeting of the above Council will be held to-day at 5 p.m. at the office. There are 44 items in the Agenda

Hardship of Third Class Passengers

That the Third Class Passengers are treated like beasts on the Northern Railway, packed like sardines in the compartments, without the opportunity of their getting anything to eat or drink at Railway Stations whenever the trains are unduly delayed and that the Jaffna Mail Trains from Colombo hardly arrive in Jaffna according to the scheduled time were complaints made by Mr. C. Thiagarajah, Secretary of the Social Service League on the last day of the Malaria Week held in Manipay when Mr. M. Prasad, Government Agent, presided. Mr. Thiagarajah said that the councillors were not taking due notice of the hardships suffered by the third class passengers and thought that it would not be improper on the part of the Social Service League to appeal to the Government Agent to take up the matter with the Government and obtain some redress. Mr. Prasad asked the Secretary to forward him a memorandum on the subject stating all particulars and promised that he would immediately send it up to the proper authorities for necessary action.

NOTICE

NALLUR KANDASAMY TEMPLE ANNUAL FESTIVAL, 1940.
9th August 1940 to 3rd September, 1940.

Permission having been granted to move processions and conduct religious assemblies according to custom round Nallur Kandasamy Temple and along the adjoining sections of the Pt. Pedro and Old Store roads during the period of the festival, notice is hereby given to the Public that traffic will be diverted from sections of the Pt. Pedro road and Old Store road adjoining the Temple along Western Road, Navasathram Road and Nallur Cross Road No. 1, during the time that such processions and religious assemblies are moving round the Temple.

P. B. Krishnaratne,
Asst. Supt. of Police, N. P.
Police Office,
Jaffna, 6th August, 1940.
20-31.

WHAT SEEK YE?
COME AND SEE!

THE ANNUAL CONVENTION
(under the auspices of the Jaffna Christian Union)

will be held at the Fort Church

ON
the 28th, 29th and 30th of Aug.

Meetings each day will start at 9 a.m. All arrangements for convenience of those attending will be made. Noon and night meals will cost 15 cents per head. There will be a stall for Religious Literature, Hymn Books (1937 edition) will be on sale. If you have old copies bring them along. Collection will be taken at all meetings.

PRAY! PREPARE! ATTEND!
S. KULANDRAK,
Erlalai, Secy. Christian Union,
7th Aug 1940.

WANTED

A Christian Tamil Teacher, certificate, untrained for Murukan Methodist Tamil mixed School.

Apply to:
Rev. E. Middleton Weaver,
Manager Jaffna.

ORDER NISI

In the District Court of Jaffna
In the matter of the estate
of the late Velinpillai Cheelliah of Karainagar, West
Deceased.
Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 913.

Aranigam Poopalapillai of Karanigam West presently of Galgauwa.

Vs. Petitioner.
1. Kanagammal widow of Velinpillai Cheelliah
2. Cheelliah Selvanayagan
3. Kannany daughter of Cheelliah
4. Annapoornam daughter of Cheelliah

5. Cheelliah Nadarajah
6. Nesamani daughter of Cheelliah
7. Rajeswary daughter of Cheelliah
all of Karaitivu West.

Respondents.
This matter coming on for disposal before C. Coomaraswamy Esquire District Judge Jaffna on this 31st day of July 1940 in the presence of Messrs. Abboobucker & Sultan Proctors on the part of the petitioner and the petition and affidavit of the petitioner having been read:

It is ordered that the above-named 1st Respondent be appointed Guardian ad litem over the abovenamed minors 2nd to 7th Respondents for the purpose of watching their interest in this case and it is declared that the abovenamed petitioner is a creditor of the abovenamed litigants and is entitled to have letters of administration to the estate of the abovenamed deceased unless the Respondents or any other person shall on or before the 21st day of August 1940 at 10 a.m. show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary,

The 2nd day of August 1940:
Sgd. C. Coomaraswamy
District Judge.