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— நா. சீவபாதகந்தரம்

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வாழி யென்று வணங்குவோம். (கொடி)

— நா. சிவபாதசுந்தரம்.

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— திருநாவுக்கரசு சுவாமிகள்

திருச்சிற்றம்பலம்

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EDITORIAL

Whither this short cut!

PERHAPS one might think that it is not an editor's job — especially an editor of a school magazine — to scour the world; but in this era of atomic energy, when the world has become a very small entity, we think there is no problem that can be branded a foreign one, one that does not concern us intimately. Further it was just such isolated incidents that had proved disastrous to the cause of world peace and amity. As such any incident of a like nature ought not to be passed off without comments.

We have seen in the course of this year the perpetration of three bloody murders in the Middle East and East. All three victims were celebrated personalities; they were all Muslims; they were all men of the highest standing in their countries; above all they were committed to the establishment of peace, security and democracy in their respective countries; but fanatical men, egged on by undemocratic unscrupulous political organisations had successfully passed bullets through their hearts. We refer to General Ramarza, the pro-British Persian Prime Minister, King Abdullah of Jordan and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Pak Prime Minister. One is tempted to feel that there is a gathering storm in the Middle East, especially in the Muslim World and that it would result in perhaps another world war if no adequate safeguard is taken.

We all know that several years of European domination and exploitation have left them poor. The standard of living in these countries is extremely low. The people had high hopes of either their new won freedoms or their newly constituted national ad-

ministrations and perhaps they are dissatisfied at the snail's pace at which reforms are put through in these countries; but are these sufficient reasons for such murders? And will such murders in any way better the situation even if committed under the cloak of nationalism? Today capitalism is at its wit's end and is making a last bid to maintain its ground, and communism, drunk with initial successes, is making an all out effort for world domination. In such a difficult situation to be fanatical about nationalism is really a retrograde step. It is only tolerance and straightforward methods that would bring peace and order in this world. There is no short cut to peace. Violence we are sure would engender violence. It is our fervent hope that the Middle East would not play into the hands of unscrupulous politicians inextricably held in the clutches of power blocks.

The Media of Instruction

It is with genuine rejoicings that we received the decision of the government to introduce the national languages as the media of instruction in our schools. The government's decision on the progressive introduction of the national languages right up to the S. S. C. will have far reaching effects.

Today education drifts on aimlessly. Ten to fifteen years back when we were students, proficiency in English was a sure road to prominence in the administrative circles. So the youth of the country learned English with a view to earning a decent living; but that such a state of affairs is inimical to our present status, is beyond doubt. The whole concept of education has changed. Education, for democracy cannot be so very mercenary. Above all, it is a real anomaly for a free country to have its education imparted to its youth in a foreign language,

especially the language of a country that has imposed its will in a very arbitrary manner for a century and a half.

Further, education in a foreign tongue had dulled the intellects of our average children. Educationists the world over are all agreed that a child's thirst for knowledge is curtailed by the inculcation of ideas in a foreign tongue. Today, thanks to the rapid progress of science, many a brand of milk-food is available in the market for our infants; but all doctors are agreed that the mental and physical development of a child fed by the mother is much more remarkable in its progress than a child fed on artificial foods. To such an extent do educationists pin their faith on the educational possibilities of the mother tongue.

The English medium to a great extent militates against the introduction of some of the modern methods of education in our schools. Our director of education and other educationists want learning by doing introduced in our schools. Much as the teaching profession would prefer such a scheme, they know, from the point of view of examinations, the candidates would be severely handicapped. They would know the answers but they would not be able to express them and perhaps they would have to cry 'sour grapes' and leave the examination hall disappointed individuals. Indeed, it is to circumvent such a state of affairs that teachers spend laborious hours dictating notes that students hardly understand. This incidentally is the cause of irrelevant answers in the Senior School Certificate examination. Neither the students nor the teachers could be blamed to any appreciable extent for such a sorry state of affairs for both have an uphill task to perform. The student wants to understand at one and the same time a new topic and a foreign language and the teacher in like manner wants to explain a new topic in a foreign

language whose idiom the child knows only vaguely. It is perhaps of this very defect that an old teacher of ours once warned us not to take up to the teaching profession and, if by any chance we happened to be teachers, not to teach Latin

A hundred and fifty years of English education has not produced any first rate English poet or author in our country. In the words of Dr. Ivor Jennings it has produced only quill drivers. Must we be surprised at it? We say no! One can only inspire a nation in its mother tongue. The lack of a creative school of literature, the paucity of text books in the mother tongue, the limitations of the vocabulary of our mother tongue must all be ascribed to our present educational set up in which pride of place is given to the English medium.

We are sure, the introduction of the national languages as the media of instruction in our schools, augurs well for the future of Lanka. The educational reforms envisaged are only one aspect in the general acceleration of national activities. Our industrial development, our interest in our ancient culture, architecture, our religions, in short everything that was once our pride unmistakably points to a renaissance which we hope would lead to a reformation.

The proud mother:

The Colombo Plan Exhibition has been the cause of a spate of extra-curricular activities in many of our schools. Various competitions had been organised by the authorities or sponsors of the planning committee to afford a correct appraisal of the countries potentialities. A few are the net-ball, volley-ball competitions and the arts and crafts competition. As usual Mahajana enthusiastically participated in some of these activities and considering the short notice

and other limitations, it is really creditable that we had done so well.

Art deserves special mention. In the Arts and Crafts Exhibition opened by the Governor - General sometimes back in Jaffna two of the items presented by our students were adjudged first and second in the peninsula and they were selected for exhibition in the Colombo Plan Show. This gives us no small pleasure for the simple fact that art was given a real start in our college only two years back when we secured the services of our Art - Master Mr. D. U. Nimal.

We only wish that such creative talents which are latent in our students would be brought to light. We are sure that given a wider scope of activities our students would prove their mettle.

FOUNDER'S DAY AND PRIZE GIVING

THE Annual Founder's Day Celebrations and Prize Giving of the College came off on Sunday the 24th of June, 1951, at 7 p. m. As usual visitors and well-wishers came in large numbers to attend the function. The Hon. Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam, Minister of Industries, Industrial Research and Fisheries, presided and Mrs. N. P. Pillai Principal, Ramanathan College, was present to distribute the prizes.

Earlier, Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam declared open a new class room, gifted to the College by Mr. K. Mathiaparanam a distinguished old boy.

The proceedings commenced with Thevaram, after which, Mas G. Satcunam welcomed the guests and visitors in a short speech. The Principal then presented his report for the year 1950 — 1951 in which he referred to the phenomenal progress that was Mahajana's, in the course of the year inspite of the many limitations that beset her. Then

Mrs. Pillai distributed the prizes. Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam in the course of his address emphasised the evolutionary nature of educational development and progress and cautioned us not to be in a hurry to speed up the demand for the introduction of the national languages, as he felt that that would be inimical to the progress of education. He further referred to the dignity of manual labour and reminded us not to forget the glory of the Tamil race, whose main pride was the attachment or perhaps an adoration of mother earth. He further referred to the soaring of value of lands in Jaffna and declared that it would lead to fragmentation which could be counteracted only by increasing the productivity of the soil by making the proverbial two blades of grass grow where one grew. On the question of the selective test the minister was of the opinion that there tests were necessary not to grade students as superior or inferior but to distribute them in the various directions according to the needs of an independent nation.

An English playlet, a Tamil scene from classical literature and a few dance items brought to a brilliant close the happy function. The Vibrant note of our college song pervaded the atmosphere when the function ended.

We have also great pleasure in acknowledging greetings on the occasion from the following:

- Mr. V. Kandiah, Kachcheri, Polonnaruwa
- „ P. Saverimuttu, M. A., Government Training College, Palaly.
- „ S. A. Sivapatham, Port Commission, Colombo.
- „ P. Arumugam, C. G. R., Colombo
- „ E. Suntharamoorthy, Colombo

WELCOME SPEECH

(delivered by Mas. G. Sateunam)

Mr President, Ladies and Gentlemen,

WE have assembled here to do honour to the memory of the founder of this school who with great foresight provided educational facilities for the Hindu children of this area. At a time when colonial rule looked with contempt and disfavour on all institutions which were not Christian our illustrious founder stepped in to fill the breach by establishing the school to give English education, while at the same time, not neglecting Tamil culture and all that Tamil stood for. It is not necessary here to recount the great obstacles he had to contend with in his gallant fight. Suffice it to say that it was a valiant struggle against great odds and the results achieved, were they to be now witnessed by him, would shock him out of his senses. Almost two score years have passed since the foundation of this institution, and its rise during the last few years has been phenomenal. Our goal still remains an ideal but we are travelling with faith and hope.

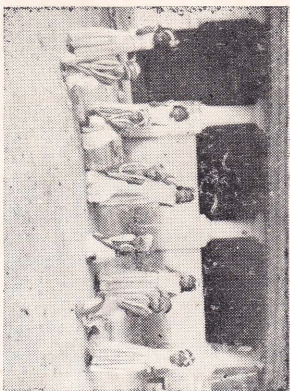
Now my chief duty here is to welcome you Sir, Mrs. Pillai and all the others who have come to grace this occasion in response to our invitation. Sir, I am sure many, including those who do not agree with your politics, have come to listen to your Ciceronian utterance and are anxiously waiting for the moment when you will rise to speak. In whatever field of activity you figured you have risen to heights which are the envy of many and the despair of a few. When as a stripling you joined the bar many a legal veteran reeled under your forensic blows. Again when you appeared on the political horizon the people hailed you as the rising star of the commonalty, your name has become a household word and your fame has spread beyond the shores of Ceylon. It can be truly said of you that you can walk with kings and not lose the common touch. When you were saddled with Ministerial responsibility you were confronted with Herculean labours.

In spite of hostile criticism you kept your head when all about you were losing theirs and blaming it on you. We regret that Mrs. Ponnambalam is not with us here to go fifty - fifty, with you in conducting this evening's programme. But we are happy that Mrs. Pillai has charmingly consented to fill the gap. We consider Mrs. Pillai an educationist of no mean order and as one who has given of her best to this country. She has transcended the barriers that were imposed by the traditions of a conservative society and has come out unscathed. If there is any who will take objection to Auvoais statement "Hearken not to the advice of a woman" I am sure Mrs. Pillai, who is happily here with us will be the first to do so. We are indeed very thankful to you Mrs. Pillai for having consented to distribute the prizes. Once again I welcome you all and thank you for your kind presence here.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

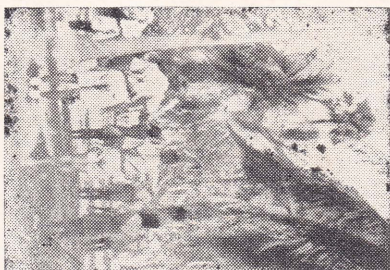
President Sir, Ladies and Gentlemen,

PRIZE givings in the opinion of many people have become stale and meaningless and the matter-of-fact generation of ours has ceased to look upon them with enthusiasm. However it cannot be gainsaid that the parents teachers and pupils wait for the annual prize day with eager expectation. With us at Mahajana it has been so closely associated with the Founder's Day, that it has almost come to be synonymous with it. On this occasion, therefore, it is our duty to pay our humble and affectionate homage to the vision, determination and self-sacrifice of the late Mr. T. A. Thuraippah Pillai, who brought this institution into being. The present generation may be unaware of the Herculean labours that were his, in founding this school and securing for it Government recognition. I shall not be expressing an empty sentiment if I say that no other person would have had the courage to pilot the school to the haven of security and stability in the face of such multitudinous handicaps. We, who are working here, cannot

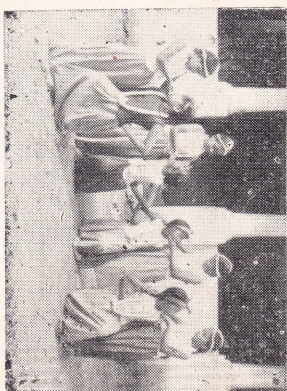


Kiddies in action

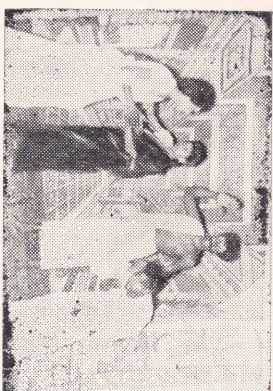
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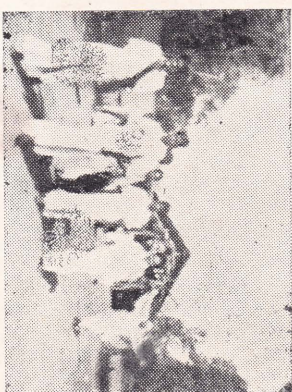
Scouts Camp out at Kay's



Dance by Girls



Prize winners in the Inter-House
Dramatic Competition



At Thirukethesvaram

forget the sweat and toil that went into the building of this institution, and though it is a pleasure to build on the foundation so securely laid by him, we are not unmindful of the tremendous responsibility that is ours. Nothing but hard work—honest and sincere, loyal and unceasing—will enable us to discharge it with satisfaction. Ladies and Gentlemen, your presence this evening in such large numbers is an unmistakable indication of the support which you are prepared to give us, and of which we stand in great need to-day. Permit me to extend to you, all a very warm and cordial welcome. I am grateful to you for your solicitude and patronage. I should also thank our old boys and friends—many of whom are not here with us to-night—for their kind donations and for the messages of good wishes which they have so thoughtfully sent to us on this occasion.

I must tender a special word of welcome to our distinguished chairman, the Hon'ble the Minister of Industries, Industrial Research and Fisheries. I consider it a great privilege to have amongst us to-night the leader of the Tamils and one of the most outstanding Ceylonese of our times. Sir, you are one of the very few of our statesmen who have reached international stature, having creditably represented this country at various conferences and talks in different parts of the globe. Your powers of advocacy par excellence, both at the Bar and in Parliament, the tremendous energy and enthusiasm you evince in the discharge of your ministerial duties, your unceasing efforts to industrialise the country and raise the economic level of its inhabitants and your deep concern for the future of our community and of our country generally, have earned for you a permanent place in the gallery of distinguished Ceylonese of all times. To cover a distance of nearly 500 miles—from Valaichenai on the Eastern coast to Colombo and thence to Tellippallai—in less than 12 hours, may appear to be a physical impossibility, but you have performed this incredible feat for our sake, in spite of run down health and pressure of official engagements. You have thereby placed us under a deep debt of gratitude.

Mrs. N. P. Pillai, M. A. who will give away the prizes to-night is the Principal of Ramanathan College, a sister institution of ours in more than one sense. She ranks high as an educationist and administrator and we are proud to have her with us on this occasion. I welcome her as well as her genial husband who is present with us.

The year under review has been one of great significance to education in this country. The new Education Act has now come into force and we are gratified to find that it is free from many of the crudities and un-educational features of the first White Paper on Education. The Act has, therefore, received the largest possible support among denominational bodies controlling Assisted Schools. Great credit is due to Dr. H. W. HOWES, the Director of Education, for having put the new Act into shape and secured a large measure of co-operation from school authorities and teachers alike for its speedy implementation. It is not possible for me to go into the details of the Act, but two features which have come in for criticism, deserve some thought. The selective test at the eighth standard stage is looked upon with horror by parents and pupils: Selection implies rejection and, therefore, the psychological reaction to such a proposal has already begun to mop up all enthusiasm for studies in the tender minds of our children. Ignorant as I am of the extent to which our boys and girls will be affected by the proposed methods of selection, I may only hope that a high percentage of our children will not be thrown on the streets with a stigma of inferiority attached to them, and what is worse, with hardly any provision for further education. Selection of the kind envisaged in the Act certainly has a place in a country like England where the methods of selection have reached a stage of perfection of several decades of experimentation on a nation wide scale, where the unselected can always find a place to go to, whether as student in a polytechnic school or as apprentice in one of the factories and where technical and agricultural pursuits are in no way regarded as inferior avenues of employment. Ceylon is still far behind England in all three respects, and it will be a sad thing in-

deed if what must be approached with caution and circumspection is foisted on our young pupils without adequate planning and foresight. I should not be taken to mean that I am opposed to some form of selection at some stage; but all that I wish to point out is that careful planning over a period of at least five years is much more desirable than precipitate action.

The Facilities and Services fees permitted under the new dispensation has also created much unrest and dissatisfaction among parents. I have heard many of them bitterly complaining against the provision. It is contended that even the ceiling rate fixed by the Government to protect them from the wiles of profiteers in the business of education is unduly high and beyond the means of the average parent. In this matter the parents will do well to appreciate the difficulties of schools and the need to augment their resources, so that, in the interests of the children, the education imparted in our schools may be really first rate in quality. I would urge upon them to co-operate with the schools, but at the same time they should not shirk what I may call a parental and social duty, namely to see that their children obtain in return the full worth of the money paid in as facilities and services fees. The schools too will do well to charge and recover such fees with imagination and sympathy, so that nothing is done to destroy or even appear to destroy, the spirit of Free Education to which the country is committed. You will thus see that the two parties directly concerned in this matter should appreciate each other's hardships and work together with good will and understanding rather than display suspicion and hostility.

In view of local conditions we have for the present fixed a maximum of only Rs. 4-00 per month, the scale sliding down to 0-50 cts. for the lowest class. I am also prepared to grant concessions where necessary. It is my fervent hope that our rates will not cause much hardship to our parents.

The College has registered appreciable progress during the year. The number on roll is 923 to-day, and of this 624 are in the Post Primary classes and 299 in the Primary

Department. The number of girls has reached the unprecedented level of 231 and this is certainly a happy augury for the future of our community. It is through female education that we may raise the educational and cultural level of our community, and in this lies the importance of giving a sound secondary education to more and more of our girls. We have 35 teachers on our staff. Of them 12 are graduates and 8 trained teachers. Mr. C. Sinnathamby B. A. who was away at the University of Ceylon for a year to do his Diploma in Education has just come back to us. The experience he has gained there will certainly be of great use to the College. Miss G. R. Chellappah, First Class Trained teacher, joined us in June last and has proved to be a very useful addition to the Upper School. Mr. N. Ramanathan, fresh from the Government Training College, Maharagama and Miss P. Sabaratnam, Tamil Trained Teacher, came to us in January. Miss S. Selvadurai joined us in May having completed a course of Practical training for teachers at the Technical College. Mr. S. Cathiresapillai, another Tamil Trained Teacher and Miss R. Rudrapathy who hold the Teachers' Certificate in Music are our latest additions to the staff. Mr. S. Amirthalingam was here for three months in a temporary capacity. Mr. S. Visuvanathan, an old boy of ours and an Engineering student of the University of Ceylon, is now working with us as an acting teacher for about two months. I welcome them all and wish them well.

Our curriculum has now been made wider with the inclusion of Practical Education and Home Science in the Middle School. A workshop will be provided very soon for the handicraft section and every effort will be made to fall in line with the new provision of the Education Act in regard to this aspect of education. We are earnestly looking forward to a loan which the Government promised to schools for providing themselves with workshops. We applied for it in December last but nothing has been heard about it since. Home Science for girls has been a useful addition. Girls must primarily be trained for the home and the additional course provided is bound to be of immense benefit to them when they pass out of school. Sanskrit does not appear to be as attractive as before,

the better type of students preferring science courses. This is perhaps due to the fact that the science students have far better openings in life than their prototypes who follow the Arts course. With greater emphasis placed on industrialisation and on agriculture, our youths must be encouraged to do the sciences. We are therefore straining every nerve to see that as many pupils as possible are afforded facilities for science courses. With this end in view plans for more spacious and better equipped laboratories have been drawn up and a start already made in that direction. Sinhalese as a subject in the middle school continues to be taught with zeal, but the pupils do not seem to realise the importance of this subject. By the time they reach the S. S. C. Standard the cleverer pupils experience no difficulty in selecting the requisite number of subjects without Sinhalese, while the less intelligent ones, being devoid of the ability to master a new language, give it up in disgust. This is chiefly due to the fact that the non-Sinhalese candidates are expected to reach the same standard as the Sinhalese candidates at the S. S. C. Examination and it is impossible for the average non-Sinhalese child to do so. A similar difficulty will confront the non-Tamil child who wishes to offer Tamil as a subject for the S. S. C. Examination. If the Government will accept a reasonably lower standard in such cases it will certainly be an impetus to the not-so-brilliant student who will really profit by the additional qualification in the second national language. The proposal to make both the languages of the country compulsory at some stage is highly commendable, but it will always remain a pious wish if the powers-that-be will not take earnest steps to implement it.

Our examination results were generally good. Three students sat for the University Preliminary Examination and all of them passed in subjects but they were not fortunate enough to be selected for admission. At the July S. S. C. Examination of 1950 three passed in the referred subjects and completed the examination while two were re-referred. The results of the December Examination were rather disappointing though our percentage was higher than that of any other Secondary Schools in Jaffna. 6

passed and 19 were referred out of 38 candidates sent up. As you are aware, there was an island wide massacre at this examination and the percentage of passes was appallingly low.

As for me I cannot even guess what the cause of this debacle could have been, as the quality of the candidates, as far as I could see, was not inferior to that of the earlier batches. Nor was the examination itself stiffer than before. In England and in most European countries the percentage of passes at the School leaving examination is always in the neighbourhood of 70. Why it should always fluctuate between 15 and 25 in this country is a mystery. What we urge upon the authorities is the appointment of an expert commission to go into the matter and suggest remedies so that our S. S. C. examination may not be the laughing stock of the country.

In the J. S. C. Examination held by the Northern Province Teachers' Association our results were very good. Of 73 candidates presented 57 passed with ten in the First Division. As many as 23 gained distinctions in one or more subjects. Two of our boys G. Chandran and S. Kathirgamathaya secured the second and third places in order of merit, a no mean achievement considering the fact that they had to compete with boys and girls from the entire Peninsula. May I also point out that we gained a similar distinction twice before in the recent past, once in 1946 and again in 1949.

Our extra curricular activities were carried on with the usual fervour. Inter-House competitions were worked off in accordance with a carefully planned programme for the whole year. The Dramatic Competitions in Tamil was held on a grand scale. A similar contest in English was held early this month. Much enthusiasm was evident at both these events. Regular practice and competitions were also arranged in games like Foot-ball, Volley-ball, Basket-ball, Badminton, Net-ball and Tenikoit. The Inter-House Athletic Meet which used to be held before the Prize Giving in former years had to be put off this time till the 30th instant owing to certain inconveniences. I hope it will be as exciting as usual.

Our Associations and Library Societies have been doing regular work during the year. The Parliament which is the Senior Society and the Junior Associations, five in number, had regular weekly meetings under the guidance or supervision of a teacher in charge. The College Dramatic Society put on boards a very successful Tamil play entitled 'Thuroki Yar?' in September last. Judging from the appreciations which appeared in the press, I should think it was very well received. Mr. V. Chelvadurai, B. A., of our staff who was in charge of the entire direction, deserves high commendation. The Scout Troup is also very much alive, and has done an year's useful work.

We participated in the Jaffna Inter Collegiate Athletic Meet and though we did not fare as well as in the previous years, K. Kandiah secured the first place in both the mile and half mile races. He represented the College at the All - Ceylon Public Schools Athletic Meet in Colombo and won a place in the half mile event putting us on the All - Ceylon Athletic Map. It may interest you to learn that we were one of the four schools from the North to secure places at this meet. At the Jaffna Inter Collegiate Soccer Competition we were allotted to play only three matches and of these we won one and lost two, while on the subject of games, I must inform you of our success in procuring two lots of land to enlarge our playing field. If we acquire another bit of land we shall then have a ground just large enough to meet the minimum needs of a school of our type. It is my fervent hope we shall be able to do so in the coming year.

Religious education is given due prominence in our curriculum and is compulsory for all Hindu children.

Academic or Practical education except against a religious background will be valueless and positively harmful and this position has been accepted even by a secular government of the type we have to-day. The trend of world affairs to day clearly shows that religious education is of the utmost urgency and without being long on this subject I would like to warn our youths against embracing irreligion and disorder in the fashionable garb of Com-

munism. As for the children here we shall see to it that they are kept well away from such tendencies.

Pupils were sent up for the religious examination conducted by the Colombo Vivekananda Society as we had been doing for more than 20 years. The gurupoojahs of the Saints were celebrated as usual, but this time we had a novel feature, namely competitions in essay writing and declamations on set themes connected with the lives of the respective saints. The Navarathiri culminating with the Vijaya Dasami Celebrations was observed in the usual manner. At the Saraswathy Poojah Brahma Sri Navaneethakrishna Bharathi spoke on the significance of Navarathiri. Our children took part in the Thevaram and Declamation competitions held by the All-Ceylon Saiva Youth Conference and secured as many as 12 prizes. The College Y. M. H. A. had regular discourses on religious subjects throughout the year. It also organized a visit to Thiruketheeswaram on Sivarathiri Day. 15 pupils undertook the trip and were accompanied by me and Mr. C. Sinnadurai, B. A. who is in charge of religious activities.

Our building extensions could not be proceeded with as speedily as we might have wished, owing to lack of funds. Mr. & Mrs. K. Mathiaparanam whose benefaction was referred in my last report and whose gift was declared open in your presence a little while ago, will always be remembered as the first to give us a large scale donation. Their worthy example is being emulated by the children of the late Mr. Eliathamby, J. P. of Mallakam (and later of Taipag, Malaya) they have promised to make a gift in memory of their beloved father who was himself a well known philanthropist in Malaya. This time it is going to be a portion of the Science laboratory which is now housed in less spacious rooms. The construction is under way and we hope to complete work in another two months. I must place on record our deep sense of gratitude to the wife and children of the late Mr. Eliathamby. We have also approached two other friends for similar benefactions so that the laboratory wing may be completed without much delay. Though they have promised to help, I refrain from announcing their names

The Late
Mr. N. ELIATHAMBY, J. P., M. C. H.,
Planter, Taiping



In whose memory a room has been
generously giftd by his
beloved wife and children.

just now, for I am afraid they may be embarrassed if I do so. I am, however, confident that their gifts will materialise much earlier than we may anticipate. Once we finish the laboratory block and connect it up with the existing classrooms to your left, we shall have to think of a hall and a hostel. I am hoping to devise some means of raising funds for these purposes. In the meantime let me appeal to those who are blessed with wealth, to give unstintingly to a cause like ours. Vidya Dharma is the most virtuous and meritorious say the Hindu scriptures and my appeal to you will not, I feel sure, go unheeded.

I must here refer to the loss we sustained by the untimely death of Mr. N. Ponniah, J. P., Managing Editor of the 'Eelakesari'. Apart from the valuable services he rendered to the community and to the spread of Tamil learning he was a great friend of our school. He always took an abiding interest in our growth and we could go to him for advice whenever we needed it. He was indeed a tower of strength to us. On hearing of his death, we had a special assembly of the whole school to draw the attention of the pupils to the greatness of a life so nobly and usefully lived and to express our sorrow on his demise. May his soul rest in peace!

In conclusion I have to express my thankfulness to my Assistants who have always worked with harmony and understanding in the larger interests of the institution to which they have become irrevocably wedded, not through compulsion but by choice. I am able to count on their loyalty and co-operation at all times, and that gives me sufficient strength and confidence. I should also thank all the others who have come forward to help us in the struggle we are engaged in. I say struggle deliberately, because we are in the unfortunate position of having to find not only equipment for the various courses of studies but also buildings and lands for expansion, and that within the limited resources at our command. This is nothing short of a struggle and I earnestly trust that with your good will and co-operation our burden will not rest too heavily on our shoulders.

Thank you.

LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS - 1951

Class and Subjects	Prize Winners	Donors
H. S. C. II		
General Proficiency	S. Wijayaratham	Mr. C. Vanniasingam, M. P., Jaffna
H. S. C. II		
General Proficiency	A. Velsamy	" K. Mathiaparanam, 22, Alexander Road, Wellawatte
S. S. C.		
General Proficiency	K. Nallanathan	" K. Kanpathipillai, Proctor, Erilalai
Arithmetic	K. Thiruchittampalam (D)	" M. Subramaniam, Shell Agency, Tellippalai
Hinduism	C. Jegasothy (D)	" S. Kandiah, Depot, Police Office, Colombo
Hinduism	K. Kanmani (D)	" K. Ponnampalam, Education Dept., Colombo
Civics	K. Nallanathan (D)	" S. Nadarajah, S. M., C. G. R., Trincomalee
Chemistry	A. Ramanathan	" P. Arumugam, Trains Control Office, Colombo
Physics	V. Sivasubramaniam	" A. Chellappah, Retired Apothecary, Tellippalai
Botany and Zoology	V. Sivasubramaniam	" M. Rajanayagam, Sanitary Inspector, Jaffna
Prep. S. S. C.		
General Proficiency	S. Sathiosatha Iyer (B)	" S. Chinnappah, I. P. T's Office, Dickoya
General Proficiency	C. Pathmanatha (A)	" T. S. Durairajah, M. M. C., Jaffna
Religious Knowledge	S. Selliah	" C. Sinnathurai, Erilalai
Arithmetic	R. Baskaralingam	" K. Ponniab, G. P. O., Colombo, in memory of the late Mr. K. Chinnappah
Tamil	S. Annaladchumy	" R. Chintamani J. P., Mallakam

Class & Subjects	Prize winners	Donors
Mathematics Mechanics	A. Vairavamoorthy A. Vairavamoorthy	Mr. E. T. Samuel, Travancore House, Tellippalai
Chemistry and Physics	G. Pathmanathan	" S. V. Kandaswamy, Colombo, in memory of the late Mr. D. N. Veerakathy
Botany	G. Pathmanathan	" K. Ramanathan, Colombo in memory of the late Mr. T. M. Kasipillai
Advanced Mathematics	S. Sathiasatha Iyer	" N. Sangarappillai, Kollankaladdy
Zoology	K. Manonmani	" K. Subramaniam, Vasavilan, in memory of the late Mr. K. Chinnappah
Sanskrit Logic	R. Sabaratna Iyer S. Kanagarajah	" E. I. Idicula, Travancore House, in memory of the late Mr. T. A. Thuraiappapillai
J. S. C.		" V. Chelvadurai, Naval
General Proficiency and outstanding performance at J. S. C. Exam. 2 nd in the peninsula.	G. Santhiran, dist. in English, Arithmetic, Science Literature and History	" M. Subramaniam Shell Agency, Tellippalai
J. S. C.		" T. T. Jayaratnam, Tellippalai, in memory of the late Mr. N. Ponniah, J. P.
First Division Pass.	S. Karthirgamathiah 3 rd in N. P. T. A. distinction in English, Tamil, Sanskrit, Science I. Science II and Hinduism.	" K. Krishnapillai, Uduvil, in memory of the late Mr. R. Nadarajah, B. Sc.,

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Class & Subjects	Prize Winners	Donors
First Division Pass	K. Lankanathan dist. in Arithmetic	Mr. V. Ratnam, Sanitary Inspector, to the fragrant memory of Sardar Patel, the architect of United India
"	A. Kanagammah dist in General Sc. & Hinduism.	Miss G. R. Chellappah, Tellippalai
"	E. K. Rajanayagam dist. in Arith, Tamil, Geog. History.	Mr. S. B. G. Warrior, Travancore House, Tellippalai
"	V. Sivagnanavel	Miss S. Sellathurai, Varuthalaivilan
"	S. Subramaniam, dist. in English, Sc. I and History.	" P. Sinnathamby, Tellippalai
"	V. Thanapackiam (Arith. Tamil, General Sc.)	Mr. S. Ratnasabpathy
"	S. Thiagarajah Arith, Sc. I & II & History.	" S. A. Sivapatham, Port Commission, Colombo, in memory of the late Mr. T. K. Ponniah
"	T. Velautham, Sc. II	" S. Wijayaratanam, Matara
"	S. Kathirgamanathan (English Literature)	" C. Sinnathamby, Urumpirai
Distinctions	N. Kathirgamanathan, Sc. II	" A. V. Chithampalam, Kollankalladdy
"	S. Murugiah, Civics	" S. Arumugam, Tellippalai
"	K. Nadasajah, Sc. II	" M. J. Gnanaraj, Tanjore
"	S. Shanmuganathan, Arith.	" N. Ramanathan, Maviddapuram
"	K. Shanmugaratnam, Tamil	" S. Sivapiragasam, Customs, Colombo
"	K. Sivapragasam, Sc. I	" S. Wijayaratanam, Matara
"	M. Sivarajah, Sc. I	" T. Rajalingam, Police Office, Trincomalee

Class & Subjects	Prize winners	Donors
Distinctions	V. Sinnathurai, Hinduism T. Tharmalingam, Arith. S. Thuraisingam, Arith. K. Unapathisivam, Art	Mr. N. Nadarajah, Dept. of Industries, Jaffna " S. Kathiresampillai, Alaveddy " N. A. Swaminathan Mrs. R. Kandiah, Tellippalai
General Proficiency	K. Sivamani	Mr. R. N. Sivapiragasam, Proctor, in memory of the late Mr. R. Namasivayam
General Proficiency	S. Sivabalasingam K. Velsivanathan	" S. Swaminathan, Myliddy " S. Kandiah, Agricultural Chemist, in memory of the late Mr. S. Sinnathamby
Tamil	V. Sundaramoorthy	" E. Thirunavukarasu, Investigation Office, Colombo
Arithmetic & Mathematics	M. Vairavapillai	" M. J. Gnanaraj, Tanjore
Science	M. Vairavapillai	" E. T. Samuel, Travancore House
History	K. Velsivanathan	" S. Sinnathamby, P. M., Anuradhapura
Sinhalese	K. Sivamani	" D. E. A. Wickremasinghe, K. K. S.
Religious Knowledge	V. Sundaramoorthy	" R. Thuraichamy, Kollankaladdy
Sanskrit	M. Vairavapillai	" S. Thambipillai, Post Office, Negombo
Geography	T. Jeyaseelan	" V. Velautham, Co-operative Inspector, Mannar
I Form	S. Mankairarasai	" A. Ramasamy, Ilavalai
General Proficiency	S. Saraswathiammah	" K. Vasulojana Achary, Post Office, Hatton
General Proficiency	S. Navaratnam	" N. Ramalingam, Tellippalai

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Class and Subjects	Prize winners	Donors
Religious Knowledge English Tamil	S. Saraswathiammah G. Satkunam T. Kunanayagam	Mr. K. Suppiah, P. W. D., Welanboda Dr. P. Ponnampalam, Karugampalai Mr. S. Kanapathipillai, Export Office, Customs, Colombo
Arithmetic Mathematics History & Science Geog. & Civics Sanskrit	S. Navaratnam S. Thiagarajah G. Satkunam G. Satkunam A. Vamathevan	" T. Sellappa, Jaffna " R. Thuraiapph, Alaveddy " P. Ambalavanar, Tellipalai " A. Nalliah, I. G. P.'s Office, Colombo " E. Arulampalam, Inspector of Schools, Mal- lakam
Art Sinhalese	K. Pathmanathan T. Gunanayagam	" K. Suntharamoorthy, Pannalai " M. S. Sithamparapillai, Tellipalai
Religious Knowledge Tamil Arithmetic History Geography Art English General Proficiency	K. Sivapackiam E. Pathmanathan N. Shanmugalingam S. Theivanayakiammal K. Sivapackiam V. Mahadevan V. Thillainathan S. Paruvathi Thevi	" V. Thillainayagam, P. M., Kankasanturai " S. Nagalingam, Tellipalai " K. Ponnampalam, Myliddy South " N. Sinnathamby, Tellipalai " K. Sinnathamby, Electrical Dept, Colombo " M. Sinnappah, Tellipalai " A. Sioniah, Gowerakelle Estate Mrs. R. Packiam, Tellipalai
General Proficiency Std. 5	G. Sarojini	Miss P. Sabaratnam, Mavidapuram

Class & Subjects	Prize winners	Donors
English Tamil Number Religious Knowledge History Geography General Proficiency General Proficiency	G. Sarojini N. Vaitheeswaran N. Thanigasalapathy S. Lankathevi N. Thavamany K. Thirugnanachandran A. Somathevi M. Thavamany	Mrs. R. Kandiah, Tellipalai Mr. K. Sundarampillai, Alaveddy " C. Thambu, Pannalai " K. Nagalingam, Kurumbaciddy " K. Arumugam, Veenankamam " A. T. Subramaniam, Myliddy South " S. Visuvanathan, Kollankaladdy " S. Karthigesu Iyer, Chunnakam
Std. 4		
English Tamil Arithmetic General Proficiency General Proficiency	K. Pathmavathy K. T. Balasubramaniam S. Balasubramaniam V. Ampalavanar S. Mangaleswary	V. Thiagarajah, Maviddapuram " N. Shivapathasundaram, " " K. Sri Sundaramoorthy, Pannalai " P. Nadarajah, 11, Shoe Road, Colombo " K. Shivapadasundaram, Income Tax Dept, Colombo
History Geography Health	A. Sivanesachelvan N. Kanagaranjitham K. T. Balasubramaniam	" K. Kandaswamy, G. P. O. Colombo " S. Kanaganayagam, P. M., Tellipalai " S. Nadarajah, Green Path, Colpetty
Std. 3		
General Proficiency Religious Knowledge English Tamil	S. Thanaladchumy J. Sivalitigam K. Selvanayaki S. Thanaladchumy	" V. Puwirajasingham, Govt. Stores, Colombo " N. Kandiah, Co-operative Office, Kandy " V. Arumugam, 502, Second Division, Maradana " K. Batnem, Sanitary Inspector

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Class & Subjects	Prize winners	Donors
Number History and Geography	K. Natkunam S. Vignarajah	Mr. K. Velupillai, Gowerakelle, Estate Miss R. Ruthrapathy, Maviddapuram
Std. 2		
General Proficiency Number English Tamil Religious Knowledge History and Geography	T. Kamalathevi R. Rahulathasan T. Kamalathevi K. Thangamani K. Parameswari K. Rudramoorthy	
Upper Kindergarten		
General Proficiency Religious Knowledge Tamil Number	P. Thangamani P. Thangamani M. Thanabalasingam M. Rajalingam	
Lower Kindergarten		
General Proficiency Number Tamil Religious Knowledge Needle Work	S. Vimalanathan J. Jayabhavani N. Kamalanathan N. Rajaladchumi K. Sivamani T. Gunanayakam	
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B - 4	Needle work	VI	
	"	Std.	P. Thavamany
	"	Std.	V. Thanapackiam
	"	Std.	T. Kamalampikal
	"	Std.	S. Rajalaxumi
	Art	IV	S. Sivabalasubramaniam
	"	Juniors	J. Wijjsoma
	"	Inters	N. Thedchanamoorthy
	Music	Seniors	S. Rajalaxumy
	"	Juniors	K. Vinayakamoorthy
	"	Inters	P. Theivendran
	"	Seniors	G. Saktunam
	English Elocution	Juniors	S. Subramaniam
	"	Inters	V. Sivagnanavel
	"	Inters	A. Velsamy
	"	Seniors	R. Ganeshalingam
	Tamil Elocution	Juniors	S. Subramaniam
	"	Inters	S. Sri Baskaran
	"	Seniors	S. Wijayarathnam
Histronics	"	H. S. C.	T. Pararajasingam
	"	Pre	S. Sivapiragasam
	"	Pre	K. Sithamparanathan
	"	Pre	
	"	Pre	

Medal awarded by Mrs. S. Moothathamby, Myliddy

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Reports

SPORTS

Our New Field

FOR many years, we could not, for want of a more spacious playing field, give our children greater scope for activities in the open air. With the recent acquisition of land adjoining our school premises, we had been able to enlarge our field considerably. The addition of a further plot of land, we are sure, would give Mahajana a first class playing field. It is our hope that very soon our pupils will be given the opportunity of playing cricket.

Inter House Competitions :

All competitions were keenly contested by the different Houses. Almost all competitors acquitted themselves creditably. This year M. B. Noordeen, Esqr., Education Officer, Northern Division, was the patron of our Inter-House Athletic Meet. Many novel items like the 'Moving Pyramids', 'International Dress Parade' and 'The Airhostess Race' provided ample fun to the huge crowd that was present on the occasion. Lawton House became champions and annexed the much-coveted Sri Sundaramoorthy Challenge Cup.

Ranking of Houses :

<i>Lawton House</i>	<i>256</i>	<i>Points</i>
<i>Adigar House</i>	<i>191</i>	<i>Points</i>
<i>Thuraiappah House</i>	<i>188</i>	<i>Points</i>

Individual Champions of the Meet

BOYS:

Post Seniors:	A. Kanagasabai	Adigar
Seniors:	V. Sivasubramanian	Lawton
	K. Ganesharatnam	Thuraiappah
Inters:	R Baskaralingam	Adigar
Juniors:	S. Mahendiran	Adigar
Infants:	C. Maheswaran	Lawton

GIRLS;

Seniors:	S. Thangaladchumy	Adigar
Inters:	V. Nallammah	Thuraiappah
Juniors:	K. Pathmavathy	Thuraiappah
Infants:	M. Rajeswary	Adigar

Results of the Other Inter-House Competitions

Items.	Adigar.	Lawton.	Thuraiappah
English Elocution	7	4	10
Tamil Elocution	7	10	4
Net - ball	4	7	10
Tenekoit	7	10	4
Badminton	10	7	4
Tamil Drama	10	4	7
Volley-ball	7	4	10
Music	10	7	4
Art	10	5½	5½
Athletics	10	15	5
Thatchi	8½	8½	4
Football	7	4	10
English Drama	7	10	4

All round champions Adigar House 104½ points.

Challenge Cup awarded by C. Vanniasingham, Esqr., M. P., in memory of the late V. Kumaraswamy, Esqr.

Inter School Competitions :

This year in the J. S. S. A. Meet we fared tolerably well. We ranked fourth. V. Sivasubramaniam, one of our senior sprinters came first in the hundred yards and second in the two hundred and twenty yards. We also took part in the Jaffna Inter-Club Amateur Athletic Meet organised by the J. S. A. In the 4×110 yards relay we came third. K. Kandiah of our school, created two new records in the mile and half-mile races, doing the first in 4 mins. 53 secs. and the second two mins. 11 secs.

Net Ball :

Inter-Collegiate net-ball competition organised by the Education Officer, Northern Division, began during the latter

part of the third term. This time matches were played on a knock-out system. Out of the two matches we played for the season, we won one.

Results

Hindu Ladies College Point - Pedro Vs. Mahajana 10—12
Methodist College Point - Pedro Vs. Mahajana 14—12.

Miss S. Selladurai of our staff was in charge of this game. She took very great interest in coaching the team.

Soccer :

This time we outdid our past performances in soccer.

We missed the group championship by a very narrow margin. Both the defence and the forward lines earned for themselves a reputation in the matches that were played. That we were able to vie with some of the best colleges in the peninsula gives us no small pleasure for we entered soccer only five years back. With the ample fields now provided we hope to do still better next year.

RESULTS OF THE JAFFNA INTER-COLLEGIATE MATCHES :

Mahajana	vs. Chavakacheri Hindu	0 — 0
"	" Attiar Hindu	9 — 0
"	" Urumpirai Hindu	0 — 1
"	" Vaitheeswara	3 — 2
"	" Somasakantha	3 — 0
"	" Parameshwara	1 — 0
"	" Union	2 — 1

We rank second in group A. with eleven points.

V. Thiagarajah
Sports Master



*The proof of gold is fire ; the proof of a woman gold ;
the proof of a man, a woman.* —B. Franklin

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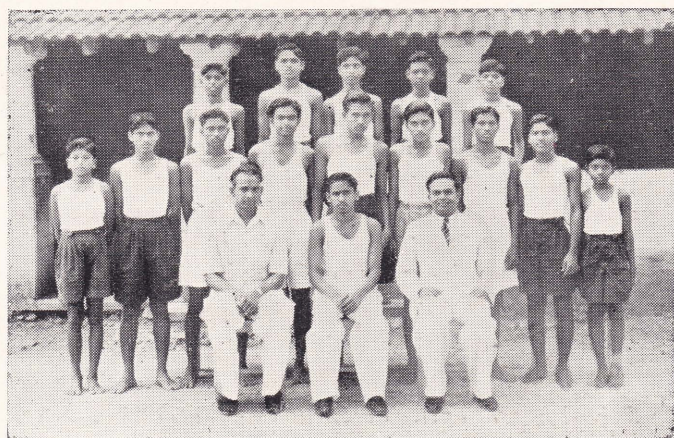
*The words of freedom are seductive to all ; its evils are
known only to the actual sufferers.* —Alison

mahajan 1951

COLLEGE SOCCER XI
1951



COLLEGE ATHLETIC TEAM
1951



WHO IS WHO OF OUR SOCCER XI

T. Kulasingam (Vice Captain) a veteran goal-keeper gets easily excited over no fault of his. Not quick in adapting to circumstances. Though he missed four goals, for the season he kept goal admirably well against Parameshwara.

T. Antony: Our wonder-Full Back, a fearless player full of enthusiasm. A terror to the opponent. An impregnable defence. A treat to watch him in play. The best kicker of the dead ball. Returns the ball beautifully whether it be high or low, fast or slow, straight or curling. Come the attack from the four corners of the field and he will repel it; but due to his burning desire to win he at times risks his position and advances too much.

K. Kanesharatnam: Full-back, a very late find. Weak left, marks with confidence but slow to kick. Tortoise movement but sure of his kick. Takes delight in annoying the goalie.

C. Gunaratnam: (Centre half) The skipper of the team, strong stout and fearless. Proved himself an impregnable defence when occasion demanded. Marks with confidence, tackles strongly and plays with determination. Takes pleasure in sending the ball high into the air to please the crowd. A Veteran who has fought and won many a battle vale.

K. Sivarajaratnam: Left half, vigorous and aggressive. Tackles ably, a thoughtful player. Played well throughout the season.

C. Thiagarajah: Right half. The brother of the skipper always jovial. Uses his physical force with skill. Plays strategically. His outstretched arms mean a fine cross or a pass.

P. Sabaratnam: Centre forward, a convert from the defence to the forward. Silent and thoughtful, weak in dribbling, non-aggressive. Good up to a point, but at the moment when he should have rounded off a ball, he has the habit of putting the ball lamely outside or over the uprights.

C. Xavier: Inside left, understands the fine points of the game, aggressive to the finish. Dribbles ably. Use both his legs. Quick on his feet but very often gets tired. Played well throughout the season. Greater things are expected of him.

K. Nagamany: Outside left, Prefers to run along the side line till the opponent gets the ball. Did not rise up to the expected standard. However he has much to his credit. His one powerful cross drive simply shattered the high hopes of Parameshwara.

Sivabaskaran: Inside Right; middle sized and heavy, slow in his movements thoughtful but not very aggressive. Poor at heading, Won great applause when a fine cross from the left to his right was converted into a goal by his left foot against Union.

K. Sithamparanathan: Outside Right, a new find, earnest enthusiastic and painstaking, very anxious to do well but palpably nervous. Poor crosses and finishes. Improved with the matches of the season.

S. Sribaskaran: Played for the first two matches against Chavakachcheri Hindu and Attiar Hindu in the full back. His immense longitude was a hindrance to swift movement. A great moral force in the subsequent matches.

V. Thiagarajah
Sports Master



*The reason why so few marriages are happy, is because
young ladies spend their time in making nets, not in making
cages.*

—Swift

*Men will wrangle for religion; write for it; fight for it;
die for it; anything but — live for it.*

—Colton

*In her first passion woman loves her lover
In all the others all she loves on love.*

—Byron

ADIGAR HOUSE (GOLD)

House Masters : MR. E. T. SAMUEL
 ,, S. NAGALINGAM
 ,, D. U. NIMAL
 ,, S. KATHIRGESAMPILLAI

House Mistress : MISS P. SINNATHAMBY

House Captains : MAS. T. THARMAKULASINGAM
 MISS V. MAHESWARY

It is with great pleasure and privilege that I submit the report for the year under review. We have had a brilliant and promising year. We annexed the All-Round Championship and the much coveted cup is ours once again.

In both the Tamil and English Elocution Contests we were placed second. Even though we had to be satisfied with a second place in tenikoit, we won the first place in Badminton very easily. As some of our veteran players left us at the end of last year, we had to be contented with a second place in volley - ball.

The zenith of our victories was reached at the Inter House Tamil Dramatic Competition where we secured the first place very creditably by staging a playlet entitled 'Anaintha Sudar' well written and ably directed by Mr. S. Nagalingam. The English Dramatic Competition was keenly contested. We put on the boards a few scenes selected from "Twelfth Night." Mention must be made of the histrionic talents of Mas. T. Pararajasingam who was adjudged the best actor.

This time we failed to annex the athletic championship which has been ours for the last three years. In football we came out second very easily. Once again we swept the board in music and art.

We are indeed very sorry to lose the services of our former House Masters: Messers. A. Ramasamy and D. E. A. Wickremasinghe who had our interests at heart. We miss them very badly. We extend our grateful thanks to them. Let me take this opportunity to express to all the members my profound appreciation of their cooperation. Our successes were due to their immense enthusiasm. In winding up the report I thank the House Masters and the House Mistress whose untiring efforts have considerably lightened my burden.

T. Tharmakulasingham,
House Captain

THURAIAPPAH HOUSE (GREEN)

House Masters : MR. E. I. IDICULA
 " E. T. SAMUEL
 " K. SUNDARAMPILLAI
 " V. CHELVADURAI

House Mistress : MISS G. R. CHELLAPPAH

House Captain : MAS. K. NALLANATHAN

I deem it a great privilege to submit the report for the year under review. We have given a good account of ourselves in the various activities.

We began the year well by winning the volley ball Championship very easily and creditably. Even though we came out second in the Tamil Elocution Contest we swept the board in the English Elocution Contest by a very wide margin. Although we failed to annex the championship honours in Athletics we rejoice over the fact that we have gained immensely in experience and spirit by our defeats. Our standard by sports has been appreciably raised. In the 'Fancy Dress Parade' we gained the first and third places. Thanks to our House Mistress. Even though the Tamil playlet we staged reached a very high standard we had to be satisfied with the second place. We lost the first place by a hairsbreadth. Contrary to our expectation we came out third in the English Dramatic Competition.

In foot ball we very easily defeated the other two houses. A sure test of our eminence in this field is the fact that eight out of the eleven players of the College Soccer XI are from our house. Besides the Captain the Vice Captain too hails from our house.

An appreciation of the services of our House Master would be too long to be given here. But suffice it to say that with him at the helm we will never lag behind. The co-operation of all members of this House is the lubricating oil that keeps the engine working smoothly and steadily.

It is my very kind privilege to extend my sincere gratitude to all the members for their co-operation and ceaseless industry and to the House Masters for their able guidance and untiring inspiration.

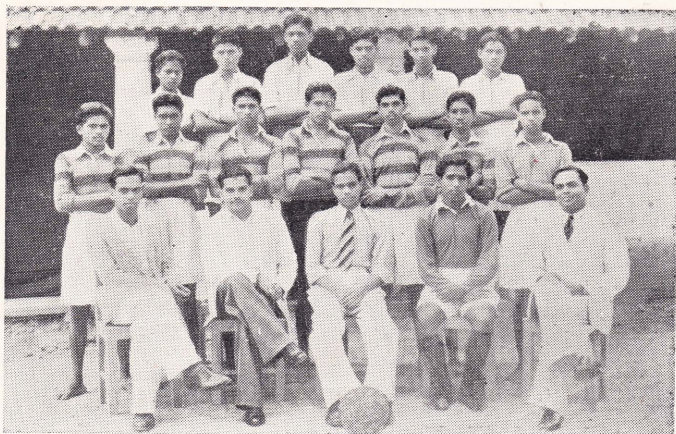
K. Nallanathan,
House Captain.

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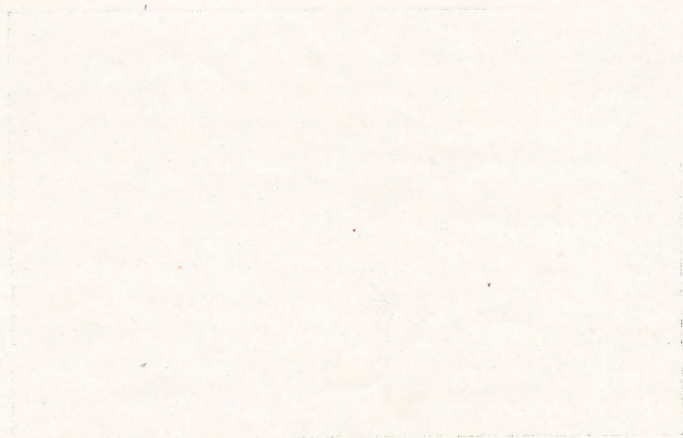
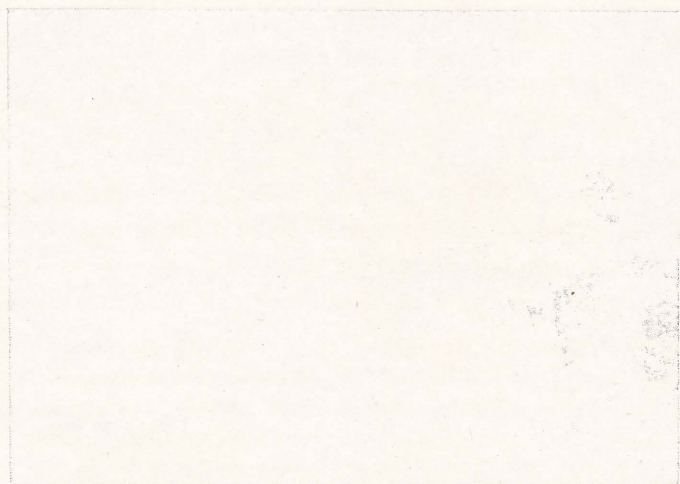
COLLEGE NET BALL TEAM
1951



INTER-HOUSE SOCCER & VOLLEY BALL CHAMPIONS
1951



Thuraiappah House



LAWTON HOUSE (PURPLE)

House Masters: SREE S. B. G. WARIAR

„ N. SIVAPATHASUNDARAM

„ S. RATNASABAPATHY

„ K. NAGALINGAM

House Mistresses: MISS S. SELVADURAI

„ K. KASIPPILLAI

House Captain: MAS. A. S. KURUKULASINGAM

Vice Captain: „ K. NAGAMANY

Captain for Girls: MISS N. KANAGARANEE

THIS year has been unique for our House, as we secured the much coveted trophy, The "Sree Sundaramoorthy Challenge Cup", for the first time in our history during the Inter House Athletic Meet. Competition was very keen but the undaunted courage and enthusiasm evinced by our Athletes till the last moment bore good results and we won the Championship by wide margin. Well done Lawton! I hope our Athletes will try their best to retain the trophy for as long a period as possible.

This year started well for us. During the first term we became first in Net ball, Tenekoit and Tamil Elocution. As usual our histrionic talents were rewarded with the first rank in Inter House English Dramatic Competition. Our play "Queer Street" with minor alteration in cast was staged on the Founder's Day. In Basket Ball we defeated the other houses. But in Foot Ball and Volley Ball we had to be satisfied with third places. Our Congratulations to Adigar who became "the All Round Champions."

This year we had to bid good-bye to our House Mistress Miss K. Nadarajah who left us to join the Technical College, Colombo, for a Course in vocational training. She has been a real source of inspiration and invaluable help not only to the girls but to everyone in all the House activities. We wish her well in life. We welcome our new House Mistresses K. Kasippillai and Miss S. Selvadurai and we hope that they will fill in ably the void created by the departure of Miss K. Nadarajah.

I thank all our House Masters for their unflagging enthusiasm and inspiring guidance. Also I thank every member of the House who has contributed his or her mite in the various activities and made this year a glorious one for us.

K. Nagamany,
Vice Captain.

THE SCOUT TROOP

Scout Master : MR. G. J. MANUEL

Troop Leader : MAS. T. THARMAKULASINGAM

WE made steady progress under the guidance of our Scout Master who took upon himself the great task of piloting the troop in one of its momentous periods. It is undoubtedly a great pleasure and privilege to have him at the helm of our affairs.

This year saw the inauguration of a Junior Scout Troop under the guidance of Mr. S. Nagalingam. It has achieved much within so short a span. We have always tried our best to be useful to our college and especially at the various functions we had taken our due share of the responsibilities. We formed a smart and impressive Guard of Honour to Honourable Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam on the occasion of our Founder's Day Celebrations.

Our leaders attended the Patrol Leaders Training Camp at Old Park where they passed First and Second Class Tests in cooking. Owing to unavoidable circumstances the scouts did not attend the North Ceylon Scout Rally. This year we organised a camp at Kayts. During the Chip - a - job week in October we did good work and collected an appreciable amount.

I thank all scouts for the ready cooperation they gave me. Without their close collaboration much of what has been achieved would have been well nigh impossible. Ere long, we are sure Mahajana's 'Green and Purple' will waft gloriously on all public occasions and parades.

T. Tharmakulasingam,
Troop Leader.

THE PARLIAMENT

<i>Governor General :</i>	MR. K. KRISHNAPILLAI
<i>Prime Minister :</i>	MAS. S. KANAGARAJAH
<i>Minister of Information :</i>	„ S. N. JEEVESHWARA
<i>Clerk of the House :</i>	„ S. SIVATHASAN

[T]is with great pleasure and pride I present the report of the Parliament for this year. The Parliament has been progressing at an even pace. During this year altogether we had twelve meetings where speeches were delivered and subjects debated with profound interest by the members. Some of the subjects taken for debate were :

1. Ceylon should be divided.
2. Communist China should be given membership in the U. N. O.
3. The U. N. O. is working for peace.
4. The Continuance of the U. N. P. in power is not in the best interest of the people of Ceylon.

This last debate was undertaken by our staff. It was lively and interesting. I must thank them on behalf of the Parliament for having kindly consented to debate the topic.

We were very fortunate in securing the good offices of master S. N. Jeeveshwara, who enlivened the house with the paper "The Mahajanan," as our 'Minister of Information.'

I must also thank my predecessors and the former Prime Ministers for the progress they effected during their terms of Office.

My report will be incomplete and I would be failing in my duty if I do not thank the Prime Minister and the honourable members of the house for their kind co-operation. It will be an omission on my part if I do not thank the Governor General for having given us his able guidance.

S. Sivathasan,
Clerk of the House.

THE SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

<i>Patron :</i>	THE PRINCIPAL
<i>President :</i>	MR. E. T. SAMUEL B. Sc.
<i>Student President :</i>	MAS. V. SIVASUBRAMANIAM
<i>Secretary :</i>	MAS. A. VELSAMY

I am indeed glad to submit a report of the above Association a second time in succession. Though we could not hold regular meetings still we arranged two excursions, one to the Cement Factory at Kankesanturai and the other to Kayts. We intend going on an excursion to Peradeniya during the vacation but making it a success depends on our successors.

In concluding the report I must thank my predecessors and others for their valuable contribution towards the progress of this association.

A. Velsamy
Hony. Secretary.

THE TEACHERS' GUILD

THE Guild had been very active during the past year. As usual the presidents were elected at the beginning of every term. Altogether we had twelve meetings and the following subjects of educational as well as of general interest were discussed by the members.

Term I

<i>President :</i>	Mr. D. E. A. Wickramasinghe
Mr. N. Sivapathasundaram	" Gandhian Economics "
Miss G. R. Chellappah	" The Backward Child "

Term II

<i>President :</i>	Mr. V. Chelvadurai
Mr. A. Ramasamy,	" Some aspects of the 20th century Novels "

Term III

<i>President :</i>	Mr. S. Karthigesu Iyer
Mr. C. Sinnadurai	" Religion and Rationalism "
" C. Sinnathamby	" How shall we help the child ? "
" T. T. Jayaratnam	" National language as the medium of instruction "

I sincerely thank the members who came forward to make these discussions a success.

The Guild had also the privilege of entertaining Miss K. Nadarajah when she left us for training at the Technical College. Mr. and Mrs. C. Sinnathamby on the occasion of their wedding and Miss P. Sinnathamby when she left us at the end of the year.

In concluding the report I thank all the members for the kind co-operation they showed in all the activities of the Guild.

E. T. Samuel,
Hon. Secretary,

THE DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION

<i>Patron:</i>	THE PRINCIPAL
<i>Vice Patron:</i>	MR. V. CHELVADURAI
<i>President:</i>	MAS. S. SRI BHASKARAN
<i>Secretary:</i>	,, K. SITHAMPARANATHAN

THE Dramatic Association, inaugurated at the beginning of this year owing to the untiring efforts of Mr. V. Chelvadurai is shaping well under his able guidance. It was formed with the object of creating an interest in dramatization. Though we could not convene regular meetings because of the over-crowded nature of extra-curricular activities, we have achieved our aim. This was shown by the interest evinced by the students in the activities of this association.

We could not stage a Drama this year as last year owing to circumstances beyond our control. Nevertheless the Inter House Dramatic Competition, both in English and Tamil, was held under the auspices of this association. The standard attained in both is quite commendable. If everything goes according to plan, we hope to stage a Drama in aid of the College Expansion Fund in January next.

It will surely be an omission on my part if I fail to express my thanks to our president for his genuine interest and enthusiasm.

K. Sithamparanathan,
Secretary.

தமிழ் மன்றம்

பெருந் தலைவர் :— திரு. தெ. து. ஜெயரத்தினம் B. A. அவர்கள்
 துணைத் தலைவர் :— திரு. புலவர் நா. சிவபாதசுந்தரம் அவர்கள்
 மாணவதலைவர் :— திரு. செ. சத்தியோசாதம் (1-ம் பருவம்)
 திரு. சு. சிறீ பாஸ்கரன் (2-ம் பருவம்)
 காரியதரிசி :— திரு. கா. சரவணமுத்து

தமிழ் அன்னையின் கிருபையையும், அறிஞர்களின் அறிவுரைகளையும் பெற்றுள்ள எமது தமிழ் மன்றம் நான் காவது ஆண்டின் முடிவை அடைந்துள்ளது. சென்ற மூன்று ஆண்டுகள் போன்று அன்னை இவ்வாண்டும் ஆதரிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளாள்.

இவ்வாண்டின் நிகழ்ச்சிகள்:

1. திருவள்ளுவர் திருநாள் : கரவருஷம் மாசி மாதம் 4-ம் நாள் (15-2-51) புதன்கிழமை கொண்டாடப்பெற்றது:

பேச்சாளர் திரு. க. நாகலிங்கம் ஆசிரியர் அவர்கள்
 “திருக்குறளின் சிறப்புக்கள்”

2. பாரதி திருநாள் : கர வருஷம் ஆவணி மாதம் 26-ம் நாள் (11-9-51) செவ்வாய்க்கிழமை.

பேச்சாளர் திரு. செ. சேதுகாவலம் பிள்ளை M.A. அவர்கள்
 “பாரதி ஓர் தீர்க்கதரிசி”

விசேஷ பொதுக்கூட்டம்

1. கர வருஷம் ஆனி மாதம் 1-ம் நாள் (15-6-51) வெள்ளிக்கிழமை.

பேச்சாளர் திரு. வ. பொன்னம்பலம் B. A. அவர்கள்
 “புறநானூறும் இலக்கியமும்”

2. கர வருஷம் ஆவணி மீ 21-ம் நாள் வெள்ளிக்கிழமை

பேச்சாளர் திரு. செ. கதிரேசர்பிள்ளை ஆசிரியர் அவர்கள்
 “செய்யுள் இன்பம்”

3. கர வருஷம் புரட்டாதி மாதம் 7-ம் நாள் (23-9-51)
ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை.

பேச்சாளர் திரு. கி. வா. ஜகந்நாதன் M. A., B. O. L.
அவர்கள் (கலைமகள் ஆசிரியர், சென்னை).

“ திருக்குறளின் மகிமை ”

மாதத்தில் இரு வெள்ளிக்கிழமைகளில் நடக்கும் பொதுக்
கூட்டங்களில் பல மாணவர்கள் பங்குபற்றிப் பல சொற்
பொழிவுகளையும், தர்க்கங்களையும் நிகழ்த்தியுள்ளனர்.

இங்ஙனம்

கா. சாவணமுத்து

காரியதரிசி.

மகாஜனக் கல்லூரி

சைவ வாலிபர் சங்கம்

மேற்படி சங்கம் பண்டும் இன்றும் என்றுமுள்ள
இறைவனின் செந்நெறியில் மாணவர்களை உருவாக்குவதில்
என்றும் சலியாமல் தொண்டாற்றிவருகின்றது. H S. C.,
சி. பா. த., க. பா. த. வகுப்பு மாணவ, மாணவிகளே இதன்
அங்கத்தவர்கள். ஒரு தவணையில், இரு முறைகள் இச்
சங்கக் கூட்டம் நடைபெறுகின்றது.

சமயகுரவர் நாலு பெருமக்களின் குருபூசைத் திருநாட்
கள் வெகு சிறப்பாகக் கொண்டாடப்படுகின்றன. திருநா
வுக்கரசர் தினத்தன்று திரு. செ. சின்னத்துரை அவர்களும்,
திருஞானசம்பந்தர் தினத்தன்று வித்வான் நா. சிவபாத
சுந்தரம் அவர்களும் மேற்படி சுவாமிகளைப்பற்றி விரிவுரை
நடாத்தினார்கள். மாணிக்கவாசக சுவாமிகள் திருநாளுக்கு
முன், திருவாசகம், பேச்சு, வியாசப் போட்டிகள் மாண
வர்களுக்கிடையில் நடைபெற்றன. “ சுந்தரமூர்த்திசுவாமி
கள் ” என்னும் விடயம்பற்றி அவரது குருபூசைத் தினத்
தன்று பலாலி அரசினர் ஆசிரிய கலாசாலை விரிவுரை
யாளர், சைவத் திருவாளர் பொ. கிருஷ்ணபிள்ளை அவர்கள்
சொற்கலை, பொருட்சுவை பொருந்தப் பேசினார்.

மறு வருடங்களிலும் பார்க்க இவ் வருடம் நவராத்திரிப் பூசை நாட்களில் மாணவர்கள் அதிக ஊக்கங்காட்டிப் பூசைகளைச் சிறப்பித்தார்கள். விஜயதசமியன்று (Pre S. S. C. A) சி. பா. த. வகுப்பு மாணவர்கள் அதிக சிரத்தை யெடுத்து ஒலிபரப்பிமூலம் தேவாரபாராயணங்களால், சரஸ்வதிதேவிக்குப் பலவழிகளாலும் ஆராதனை செய்தார்கள். “நவராத்திரி மகிமை” என்னும் விஷயம்பற்றி வித்வான் நா. சிவபாதசுந்தரம் ஒரு சொற்பொழிவாற்றினார்.

இவ் வாண்டு சிவராத்திரித் தினத்தன்று கல்லூரி அதிபரும், சமயவிடயங்களுக்குப் பொறுப்பாளராகிய திரு. செ. சின்னத்துரை அவர்களும் பதின்மூன்று மாணவர்களும் புராதனமானதும், சைவர்களுக்கு முக்கியமானதுமான திருக்கேதீஸ்வரத்துக்குச் சென்று, எம்பெருமானின் திருவருள் பெற்றார்கள். ஸ்திரம் வாய்ந்த பழைய கொள்கைகள் மங்கி நவீனக்கொள்கைகள் பரவ மனப்பாங்குள்ள இக்காலத்தில் சமய வளர்ச்சியில் மேலும் இச்சங்கம் ஊக்கமெடுக்க, எல்லாம் வல்ல இறைவன் திருவருள்பாலிப்பாராக.

“மேன்மைகொள் சைவரீதி விளங்குக உலகமெல்லாம்”

சா. செல்வையா

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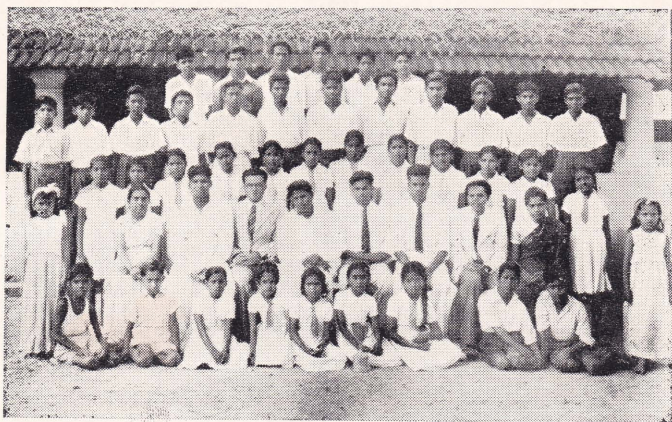


“இதயம், உடல், செயல் ஆகிய மூன்றிலும் பரிசுத்தமாய் இராத மாணவனை எந்தப் பள்ளிக்கூடத்திலிருந்தும் துரத்தியடிக்க வேண்டியது அவசியம். பிறருக்கு உதவ விருப்பமுள்ளவனது மனம் எப்பொழுதுமே பரிசுத்த முடையதாயிருக்கும்; பார்வைநேரானதாயிருக்கும்; அவனுடைய கைகள் கெட்ட காரியங்களைச் செய்யா; வாழ்க்கையின் அடிப்படையான நல்லொழுக்கங்களையும், நியதிகளையும் கற்பதற்குப் பள்ளிக்கூடப் படிப்பு அவசிய மன்று. மனம், வாக்கு, காயம் ஆகிய மூன்றிலும் நீங்கள் பரிசுத்த முடையோராக விளங்கினால், உங்களது வாழ்க்கை பலமான ஒரு அடிப்படையின் மீதே நடைபெறுகிறது என்று எண்ண இடம் உண்டு.”

— மகாத்மா காந்தி

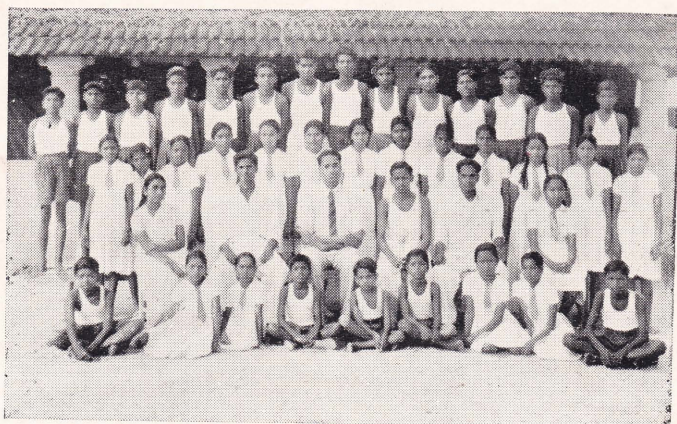
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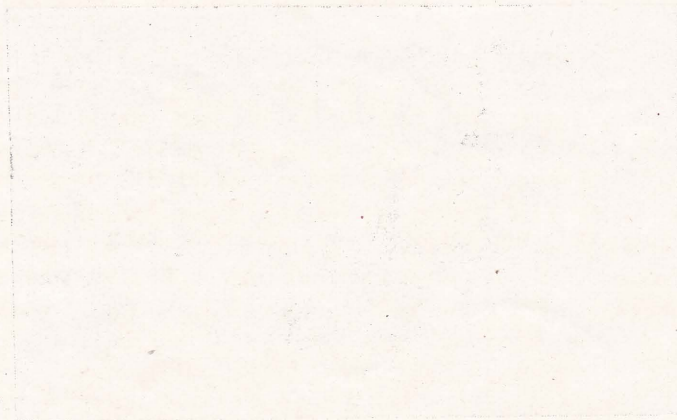


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GOOD MANNERS

Good manners are the result of a good nature and good training. We learn to be polite from our teachers in school and from our parents at home.

It is important for us to treat our parents, friends, strangers, in short, all people, with great kindness. A cheerful greeting is always welcome. Words like 'please,' 'thank you,' are very pleasant to the ear. If we hurt someone, at once we should say 'sorry'. It is polite to be quiet and attentive in the class when the teacher is talking. When we ask a question we should do so loudly. Our answers too should not be inaudible.

A child who is well-bred is a joy to its parents and its teachers. Every child should therefore learn to have good manners.

V. Thillainathan

I Form B.

MY JOURNEY FROM MALAYA TO CEYLON

ON the seventh day of July, 1951, I left my home at Kuala Lumpur, in the Federation of Malaya with my mother, sisters and little brother for Mother Lanka. We came to Johore Bharu by train. It was a day's journey. We stayed in Johore Bharu for two days with one of our friends. On the 10th day of July we motored to Singapore from Johore Bharu. At about 2 p. m. we boarded the ship "Napoli." We stood on the deck and waved good-bye to father, elder brother and friends who were waiting at the wharf. I felt very sad to leave them. "Napoli" left port at 3 p. m. Tears rolled down my cheeks as we lost sight of Malaya. At about 4 p. m. we were taken to the dinining room for tea. That evening

I felt very sad With a heavy heart I entered our room and burst into tears. My sisters comforted me by encouraging me to play with the girls in the steamer.

The next morning, we got up early, washed ourselves and had our breakfast. The most splendid thing I saw that morning was the rising of the sun. We also made friends with most of the Italian sailors. They showed us the different parts of the steamer. We were happy for two days; but alas on the third day the engine gave trouble and the steamer stopped for about two hours. When it started again it was a welcome relief to all of us. The sea was calm for three days; but on the fourth the sea became rough and most of the passengers were laid up. We were sorry we could not enjoy the journey. I began to vomit and feel sickly. For two days we did not go to the dining room and the stewards had to serve us in our rooms.

We reached Colombo on the fifteenth of July. We bade farewell to all our new friends. We stayed in a hotel that night and left for Jaffna the next morning. I am sure, the memory of my happy days on board the "Napoli" will linger long in my heart.

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A CAR

I saw the light of day in one of the factories of England. I had an uneventful journey to Colombo. I came there as a brand new motor car. My colour was blue. I have forgotten the company which imported me; but my attractive finish captivated all who came there. I was polished very regularly and, I am sure, I was the pet of the salesmen. My good looks indeed proved to be my foster parents' fortune.

My adopted parents made much of me just to strike the eye of a prospective buyer and receive a handsome offer. One fine morning a young lady and a gentleman came hand in hand in my direction. The lady was taken up by my beauty and insisted that he should purchase

me. I too longed to know the lady a little more intimately. It was really love at first sight. Her voice, her looks, her very insistence that I should be bought, inspite of the fact that there were Austins and Morrisises awoke in me an undying loyalty. You can just imagine my pleasure when the lady and the gentleman formally took possession of me. They drove me to their bungalow. I carried them without the slightest jerk. I was over anxious to prove their trust in me. I was welcomed by a sweet baby on my arrival at home. He happened to be their only son. He clamoured for a drive and the gentleman took him to the park in the evening. When I started moving he danced for joy and this was a source of immense merriment to the parents. The next day my master insured me and gave me a nice garage. Daily I took my master to the office at 8 a. m. and brought him home in the evenings. In the evenings I used to take my master and mistress to their friends. I was always obedient and silent. I made a whirring noise only when they ordered me to move. I was cleaned and polished frequently. In short I was the apple of their eye.

One day my master lent me to a neighbour. He took me to the next bungalow and I remained patiently to have a look at the person who was to drive me. Four fat people came staggering out of the door; of them two were ladies. I felt as if my heart were broken to pieces. The two ladies with great discomfort occupied my back seat. The seats creaked with sorrow. The man at the wheel was evidently drunk and he drove me miserably. After a few hours journey I ran off the road, dashed against a tree and was reduced to bits.

I do not know what happened to my inmates. Alas, now no one cares for me who was once the darling of a sweet lady. When I think of my fate, tears well in my eyes. If you come to Grand Pass near Kelani Ganga you may see me.

K. Sivamany

J. S C.

SIMPLICITY

SIMPLICITY is a very desirable human quality; but alas, it is fast disappearing from the world! Life was simple in primitive times. It was a pleasure to live in those days. There was peace, order, faith and tolerance. Today everything is artificial. The simplicity of former days is certainly preferable to pomp and ceremony and artificial show.

Great poets and novelists used simple language. Poets like Wordsworth, Blake and Tennyson chose simple language and simple themes. An ordinary flower in the mead gave Wordsworth 'thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears.' To him 'a host of golden daffodils' was jocund company. The simple, spontaneous expression that one comes across in the writings of 'Jane Austen,' 'Tolstoy' and 'Guy De Maupassant' is enticing.

Let us consider practical things. Take for example the modern woman. She is not at all simple in her ways; Mahatma Gandhi in his 'Experiments with Truth' is very outspoken in his criticism of the 'modern woman.' She is caught in the whirlpool of fashion and there is no limit to her expensive habits. She is seen, not at home, but in the theatre, parks and parties. Time and again we have read in the leading newspapers how very vainly the modern women waste their precious time and energy in wanton merriment and futile manifestations of fashion.

Men are no exception. They too, have bid farewell to simplicity. They parade the streets clad in flannels and silks. They frequent parks, clubs and theatres. Their hobbies are smoking, drinking and gambling. They consider it fashionable to indulge in politics especially of the Marxian school of thought; but in the heart of hearts they have no faith in anything. They just drift on like rudderless boats, caught in the hurry and worry of modern civilization.

True, there are a few who despise these things; but unfortunately simple people are often regarded as uncivilized individuals. They are a laughing stock to the modern

youth. The simple people are either branded hermits or often regarded as fools. In one's search for simplicity one is taken away from civilization, away from towns and cities to remote villages, more or less jungles. It is there that we meet credulous people with simple ways. Gandhiji has many a good thing to say about the peasants on the Hooghli. It is a popular belief that he that is simple, ever shall have God to be his guide. I am sure every one of us would grant that.

G. Santhiran
Prep. Senior

INTERNATIONAL RIVALRIES

[F democracy in the modern world is not possible without a considerable economic levelling up and down it is no less consistent with international rivalries resulting in periodical global conflicts. In war there is always a concentration of power. War increases the power of the political bosses and bureaucrats. Civil liberties are curtailed. During war the rights of free association and free expression of views whether on the platform or through the press and radio are greatly diminished.

Modern wars tend to be global. Few countries can keep their neutrality. Even in neutral countries the fear of war diminishes civil liberties and increases state control. If, therefore, democracy is to function properly and fully, international strife and war must yield to good will and co-operation. However, this cannot be solved by the attitude of a single nation towards war. As long as there are empires whether fascist or democratic or socialist war must remain the only means of settling international rivalries. It will be objected that socialism and imperialism are contradictory terms. But so also are democracy and imperialism. And yet there are imperialist democracies. Like democracy, socialism can in practice be consistent with political and economic imperialism.

Even though nearly five years have elapsed since the second world war ended there is no real peace in the world. This affects us materially and today no country can for long, remain indifferent to what is going on else-

where in the world. Today the United Nations Organization has failed to restore peace. It has degenerated to an assembly where block votes prevail to the highest degree. It is simply a blockade to the solution of problems that might be easily solved by traditional diplomatic negotiations. So long as imperialism exists whatever international organisation is devised for peace will inevitably be turned into an instrument of ambition by powerful and unscrupulous nations. It will not be based upon equality, justice and fair play, but upon the combined might of a few dominant nations. There will always be the Big Three, Four or Five.

The successful working of an international association, even as of democracy, is not a question of external and institutional arrangements. Law and constitution, international courts and armies, are good as far as they go, but just as human passions have to be subdued by an inner self discipline and then helped by external devices, so must the passions and ambitions of nations be first regulated by a reform of the heart before any external device can succeed. Humanity must learn to honour such leaders and politicians who would lead people to peaceful and fruitful rivalry rather than those who would rouse their passions and ambitions by placing before them rosy pictures of power, wealth, empire and domination. When this is done and nations have cultivated the will to be honest, just and fair in their dealings with each other, external devices of constitution and law will not be difficult to device and work. Every possession of power, trust and responsibility should be for the sake of service and not a matter of self patronage, pride or self-aggrandisement. There must be a society of nations, where every country big or small, important or unimportant, free or under international guardianship, has, as in a democracy, one vote each. Then, the world would be saved from imminent war. It is difficult to maintain democratic institutions in a world of nations with unequal international status.

K. Nallanathan

H. S. C. Arts

A HINDU PHILANTHROPIST



THE LATE MR. N. PONNIAH, J. P.

போற்றுவோமுன்னைப் புகழ்மலர் தூவி!

போற்றி! போற்றி! தமிழனின் தேவீ!
போற்றுவோ முன்னைப் புகழ்மலர் தூவி!
துன்ப விருளைத் தூரத் துரத்திச்
சுதந்திரச் சுடரை யெங்கும் பரப்பிப்
புவியில் மின்னும் தாரகை யுன்னைத்
தலைவியாய்க் கொண்டது தமிழர் சேனை.
தமிழனும் தமிழனு மொன்றாய் வரழந்தால்
தாயே! தமிழ்மண மெங்கும் வீசும்.
வடக்கு வஞ்சம் தெற்கு வந்ததும்
வரவர நாட்டி லதர்மம் வலுத்தும்
அச்சப் பேயைப் பூண்டு னழித்தோம்
அடிமைச் சங்கிலி யறுத்து வீழ்த்தினோம்.
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உனக்கே தாயே சிந்துவ துதிரம்
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தாரணி மீதினில் ஒளிவிடு கின்றாய்
அந்நிய ராணவ மடக்கிய எந்தாய்
அறமே வடிவாய் யவதார மெடுத்தாய்
அன்பீர்! நண்பீர்! அறிவு மிகுந்த
அன்னையைப் போற்றுவம் பூந்தமிழாலே.
போற்றி! போற்றி! தமிழனின் தேவீ!
போற்றுவோ முன்னைப் புகழ்மலர் தூவி.

கா. மனோன்மணி,
S. S. C. — 'A'

கடற்கரையில் நான்

செக்கச் சிவந்த கதிரவன் மறைய
பறவைகள் தத்தம் இல்லம் நோக்கின
சலித்த உழவனும் சாலகம் நோக்கப்
பூரண சந்திரன் பூத்தனன் புவிமேல்
இன்பக் காதலர் இருங்கடற் கரையில்

களிப்புடன் வள்ளம் வலித்து மகிழ்ந்தனர்
 குளிர்ந்த தென்றலும் இன்பச் செலவினில்
 அலர்ந்த இளைப்பை ஆற்றியே நின்றது
 ஆங்காங் கிருந்த சின்னஞ் சிறார்கள்
 அன்பாய்க் கதைத்தே அகமுகம் மகிழ்ந்தனர்
 அவர்களின் மழலைச் சொல்நிலை அறிந்தோர்
 பழந்தமிழ் இன்பினில் இயைந்தோர் ஆயினர்
 காதலர் களிப்பை முடித்துக் கொண்டதும்
 'கார்'களை அவர்தம் கண்கள் நோக்கின
 கார்களில் தாம்தாம் ஏறிய பின்னர்.
 விண்ணென் றிரைந்தது விரைவிசை மிகுந்தது
 மண்ணிய காதலின் மகிழ்நிலை இதுவோ
 என்றே உள்ளி உயிர்ப்போடு இருந்தேன்.

இ. குமாரதேவன்,
 H. S. C.—I.

வளர்க தமிழ்!

இன்பத் தமிழில் இன்னிசை பாடி
 யாங்கள் அனைவரும் பாங்கொடு கூடித்
 தமிழை வளர்க்கும் சங்கம் கண்டு
 இயற்கைத் தமிழ்தான் எத்திசை மருங்கும்
 மேன்மை கொண்டு மிளிரச் செய்வோம்
 அருமைச் செய்யுள் ஆக்கிடும் புலவரை
 ஊக்கும் முகத்தால் உதவிகள் புரிந்தும்
 புலமை வாய்ந்த நலனுறு செய்யுட்
 கெல்லாம் பரிசில் நல்கியும் வேற்று
 மொழிக்கட் பரந்த பழிப்பில் கலையெலாம்
 தமிழிற் றந்தே தமிழ்வளம் பெருக்கியும்
 அரசியல் மொழியே தமிழென ஆக்கியும்
 உண்ணிறை யார்வத் தோடே முயன்றால்
 நம்மருந் தமிழும் நலன்பெற வளர்மே!

க. ஸ்ரீபாஸ்கரன்

H. S. C.—II.

இவள் யார் தெரியுமா?

தெல்லிப்பழைப் பகுதியில் ஒரு பெண் இருந்தாள். அவள் இளமையிலே ஒருவரை மணந்தாள். அவளுக்கு அநேக பிள்ளைகள் உண்டு. ஒரு நாள் அவளது கணவன் சூதியில் தேகவியோகமாண்டு அநேக பிள்ளைகளுடன் இருந்த அம் மாதா எஜமானில்லாது தத்தளிக்கும் சமயத்தில் ஓர் யௌவன புருடன் அம்மாதை மணந்தான். அவர் மனை யாளை மேல்நிலைக்குக் கொண்டு வரவேண்டும் என்றும், பிள்ளைகளை அதிகம் பெருக்க வேண்டும் என்றும் கருதினார். அவளும் அவருள்ளம் போல் பொலியா நின்றாள். இருவரு மாக மகாஜனங்களுக்காகப் பாடுபட்டுக்கொண்டிருக்கையில் அம் மாதா 1951ம் ஆண்டு ஆயிரம் பிள்ளைகளுக்குத் தாயானாள். தன் நாட்டில் முதன்மைபெற்ற மாதர்களோடு தானும் ஒரு சிறந்த மாதானாள். இஃதெல்லாம் அந்த யௌவன புருடனால் சம்பவித்தது. அந்த யௌவன புரு டன் இவளுடன் இருக்கும் வரை இவள் பன்மடங்கு சீரும் சிறப்பும், பேரும் புகழும் பெற்றுப் பொலிந்து வளரு வாள் நம் நாட்டில். ஆகையால், அந்த மனைவனை நீடுழி வாழ்க என்று நாங்கள் வாழ்த்துவோமாக. இவள் யார் தெரியுமா? அவள்தான் எங்கள் அன்னை மகாஜனா.

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தமிழ் விழாக் கண்ட தமிழ் அணங்கு

வஸந்த காலம்; மந்தமாருதம் வந்து வீசுகிறது; எங்கும் ஒரே உற்சாகம்; செடிகொடிகள் பூத்துக் குலைகுலையாகவும் கொத்துக் கொத்தாகவும் குலுங்குகின்றன. தருக்கள் மல ரைச் சொரிகின்றன. நறுமணம் நெஞ்சை அள்ளுகின்றது.

“தெய்வத்தமிழ் நாட்டினிலே வெண்ணிலாவே —நாங்கள் திரமின்றிப் பேதையர்போல் வாழ்ந்திருந்தோம்

—வெண்ணிலாவே”

என்னும் இன்ப நாதம் என் காதிற்பட்டது. சில வினா டிக்குள் என்ன விபரீதம்? என் கண்களை என்னால் நம்ப முடியவில்லை. என் இருதயத்தையே அவளிடம் பறிகொ டித்து மெய்மறந்து நின்றேன். சாந்தம் திகழும் சந்தன வதனம். அதிலே புன்முறுவல். அதிலும் ஒரு குறுகுறுப்பு. வீர உணர்ச்சி ததும்பி நிற்கிறாள் அவள். அவற்றின் நடுவே ஒரு நிமிஷ மௌனம். ‘என்னை அறியாய் போலும்

தங்காய்!’ என்றது அவ்வுருவம். ‘உன்னைப் போலும் எத்தனையோ பெண்மணிகளை யான் பெற்றெடுத்தேன்.’ என்றெல்லாம் என்னென்னவோ வேடிக்கையாய்ப் பேசிய அவள் போக்கு எனக்குப் புலனாகவில்லை. பேசாமல் இருந்தேன். அவள் பின்னும் உரையாடத் தொடங்கினாள்.

என் வயது வரையறுக்கக் கூடியதல்ல. ஆனால் நான் இவ்வளவு இளமையுடன் விளங்குவது என் அருமைப் பிள்ளைகளாலும் அவர்களின் வீரச் செயல்களாலுமே. என்னை எத்தனைபேர் அடக்கப் பார்த்தார்கள். ஆனால் என் இலட்சியக் குழந்தைகள் என்னை அழிந்துபோக விடுவார்களா? அன்றியும் நான் அழியும் வஸ்துவா? இல்லையே. இந்தியாவிலுள்ள என் அருமை மக்கள்தான் என்னைப் பாராட்டுகிறார்கள். இலங்கைக் குழந்தைகள் என்னை அவ்வளவாகப் போஷிக்க வில்லையே என்று எண்ணினேன். ஆனால் அது எவ்வளவு தப்பு என்பதை அன்றுதான் உணர்ந்தேன்.

அன்றெல்லாம் யாழ்நகரில் பெரியதோர் பரபரப்பு வீதிதோறும், வீடுதோறும், யாழ்நகரில் தமிழ்விழா, யாழ்நகரில் தமிழ்விழாக் கொண்டாட்டம் என்ற ஒரே ஆர்ப்பரிப்பு சகல முன்னேற்பாடுகளும் நடந்தேறி முடிந்தன என் நவநாளும் வந்தண்மிபது. யாழ்நகரில் விபுலாநந்த மண்டபத்தில் அம்மம்மா! எவ்வளவு பெரிய கூட்டம். அன்று மனங்குளிர என் மக்களின் வரவேற்பைப் பெற்றேன். பண்டிதரும், பாமரரும் மற்றும் யாவரும் ஒருங்கே குழுமி இருக்கின்றனர். ஒவ்வொருவர் நாவில் நின்றும் துள்ளிக்குதித்து விளையாடிக்கொண்டிருந்தேன் நான். அச்சமயம் தமிழ் மலர்ந்துகொண்டிருந்த தென்பதற்கு யாது சந்தேகம்? அவ்வமயம் பலர் என் சரித்திரங்களைப் பண்புடன் உரைத்தார்களல்லவா? இவை யாவும் யாழ்ப்பாணச் சரித்திரத்தில் பொன் எழுத்துக்களால் பொறிக்கப்பட வேண்டியவை.

ஈற்றில் எனக்குப் புத்துயிரளித்துத் தமிழ் மறுமலர்ச்சி தந்த மக்களுக்கு என் இதய பூர்வமான நன்றி கூறுகிறேன். என்னை எவ்வளவோ காலமாகப் போற்றிப் புகழ்ந்து இளமையுடன் பொலியும் வண்ணம் செய்த என் குழந்தைகளுக்கு யான் என்றும் கடமைப்பட்டவளே என்று கூறி ஓய்ந்தாள். கிட்ட நெருங்கி எட்டிப் பிடிக்கப் போனேன். திடீரென்று ஒரு சப்தம் கேட்டது. அட்டா! அவள் மறைந்துவிட்டாள். அந்த யௌவன மங்கை என் கண்களுக்குப் புலப்படவில்லை.

பார்வை

செகப்பிரியரின் வெனிஸ் வர்த்தகன் என்னும் நாடகத்தில் மூன்று பெட்டிகளில் ஒன்றறிதற்குள் போஷியாவின் புகைப்படம் ஒன்று வைக்கப்பட்டிருந்ததென்றும், அப்படம் உள்ள பெட்டியைக் கண்டெடுப்பவர்களுக்கே போஷியா மணம் செய்யப்படுவாள் என்றும், எத்தனையோ பேரின் முயற்சிகள் வீண் பிரயத்தனமாகவே முடிந்தன, என்றும் ஈற்றில் பசானியோ என்பவர் ஏதோ ஊகித்து அறிந்தாரேயன்றி நேரில் காணமுடியவில்லை என்றும் அறிகிறோம். குடத்திற்குள் வைத்த விளக்கின் ஒளி அண்மையில் நிற்பவர்களுக்குத் தென்படுவதில்லை; மலையில் வைத்த விளக்கின் ஒளி சேய்மையில் நிற்பவர்களுக்குத் தென்படுவது என்ற உவமை பாக்களில் கையாளப்படுவதைக் கண்கூடாகக் காண்கிறோம். சிலர் தூரத்திலுள்ள பொருட்கள் தமக்குப் புலன்படுவதில்லை என்றும், சிலர் அண்மையில் உள்ள பொருட்களைத் தம்மால் பார்க்க முடியவில்லை என்றும், இன்னும் வயது சென்ற பலர் தம்மால் ஒன்றையும் பார்க்க முடியவில்லை; கண் வெள்ளெழுத்தாக இருக்கின்றது என்றும் சொல்வதை நாம் செவியாரக் கேட்கின்றோம். இவை எல்லாம் மர்மமாக இருக்கின்றன. இவற்றிற்கு விளக்கம் கொடுப்பதற்கு எழுந்தனர் ஒரு பகுதியினர். விளக்கம் கண்டனர். கண்ணோடு சம்பந்தமான விஷயங்களை ஆராய்ந்தனர். திறமையும் பூண்டனர். நேத்திர பண்டிதர் (Opticians) என்னும் பெயரும் பெற்றனர்.

கேட்பதற்கு ஒலி எவ்வாறு இன்றியமையாததோ அவ்வாறே பார்ப்பதற்கு ஒளி இன்றியமையாதது. பார்வையைப் பற்றி அறிய வேண்டில் ஒளியைப்பற்றி அறியவேண்டும். பெட்டி மூடிக்கூடாகவும், குடத்திற்கூடாகவும் வேறும் பல பொருட்களுக்கூடாகவும் ஒளிக்கதிர்கள் செல்லமாட்டா. ஒளிக்கதிர்கள் எப்பொழுதும் நேர் இரேகையில் சென்று கொண்டிருக்கும். நிழல் உண்டாவதும் இத்தன்மைகளாலேயே. சில பொருட்கள் தாமாகவே ஒளிவிடும். சில தாமாகவே ஒளிவிடமாட்டா. தாமாகவே ஒளிவிடும் பொருட்களிடமிருந்து இவை ஒளியினைப் பெற்றபின் ஒளிவிடும். சந்திரன், சூரியனுடைய ஒளியினைப் பெற்றே விளங்குகின்

தது. எரியும் விளக்கும், சூரியனும் இன்னும் சில முதலினத்தைச் சேர்ந்தவை. எமது அருகாமையில் உள்ள பொருட்கள் இரண்டாவது இனத்தைச் சேர்ந்தவை. பகல் வேளையில் சூரிய ஒளி பொருட்களில் படுவதனால்தான் பொருட்களைக் காண்கிறோம் சூரியன் மறைந்ததும் இருள் மூடிக்கொண்டது என்று சொல்கிறோம். ஒன்றையும் நாம் காண்பதில்லை. பொருட்களுக்கு ஒளி அளித்த சூரியன் பின்பும் தோன்றினால்தான் பொருட்களைக் காணலாம். பொருட்களைக் காண விரும்பும் ஒருவன், “சூரியனே உடனே உதிப்பாய்” என்று கூறுவானாகில் அவன் பித்தன் என்று கருதப்படுவான். ஏன்! அது இயற்கைக்கு மாறாக இருக்கின்றதன்றோ? இவ்வேளையில் அவன் விளக்கை ஏற்றுகிறான். பொருட்கள் ஒளியைப் பெறுகின்றன. அவன் கண்ணுக்குத் தென்படுகின்றன. இதனாலன்றோ கதிரவன் கரந்ததும், வீடுகளில் விளக்கை ஏற்றுகின்றனர். மோட்டார் இரதமும் துவிச்சக்கர வண்டியும் தாம் போவதை மக்கள் கவனித்து விலகிக்கொள்வார்கள் என்பதற்காக வெளிச்சத்துடன் போகின்றன. ஆனால் ஒளி இருந்தும் குருடன் கண்ணுக்கு ஒன்றும் புலப்படுவதில்லையே என்ற எண்ணம் எழலாம். அதற்கு ஒரு பொருளை ஒளி மூலம் எப்படிக் காண்கிறோம் என்பதை அறியவேண்டும்.

சில பிள்ளைகள் பூதக்கண்ணாடி என்று சொல்லி ஒரு கண்ணாடிச் சில்லை (lens) எடுத்துச் சூரிய கிரணங்களை அதன்மூலம் ஒரு பஞ்சுத் திரளில் குவியச் செய்து பஞ்சை எரியச் செய்வதை நாம் அறிகிறோம். படம் பிடிக்கும் ‘கமெரா’விலும் கண்ணாடிச் சில் மூலம் ஓர் பொருளில் நின்று வீசும் ஒளிக்கதிர்களைக் குவியச் செய்து புகைப்படம் எடுக்கிறார்கள். அதே போன்று கண்ணின் முற்பகுதியில் கண்ணாடிச் சில் போன்றதோர் கருவி உண்டு. இக்கருவிக்கு ஒரு குறித்த தூரத்திற்குப் பின்னே தரிசன படலம் (Retina) என்னும் ஒரு திரைத்தட்டி உண்டு. கண்மணியினூடாகச் செல்லும் ஒளிக்கதிர்கள் கண்ணாடிச்சில் போன்ற கருவியினூடாகச் செல்வதனால் குவிக்கப்பட்டு அத் திரைத்தட்டியில் ஓர் உருவம் பதியும். உருவம் தலைகீழாகவும், குறுகியதாகவும் இருக்கும். உருவம் பதிவதனால் உண்டாகும் புலப்பாடு (Sensation) ஒரு நரம்பு மூலம் மூளைக்குக் கொண்டுசெல்லப்

படும். அதன் பின்புதான் பொருளை உணர்கிறோம். இவ்வளவும் ஒரு சிறு நொடிப்பொழுதில் முடிந்துவிடும். பொருட்கள் வேறுபடப் புலப்பாடும் வேறுபடும். இதனால்தான் பொருட்களுக்கிடையே வித்தியாசங் காண்கிறோம். பலகாலமாகப் பழகிய ஒருவரை இன்னார் என்று இலகுவில் அறியலாம். ஆனால் நன்கு பழகாதவர்களை எளிதில் அறிய முடியாது. நெடுநாள் பழகியவரின் உருவம் அடிக்கடி படிவதனால் ஒரே தன்மையான புலப்பாடு ஏற்படும். மூளைக்கும் வேலை சிறிதாயிருக்கும். அறிதலும் இலகுவாயிருக்கும். இன்னும் கண்ணில் ஐரிஸ் (Iris) என்னும் ஒரு பகுதியால் கண்ணுள் செல்லும் ஒளிக் கதிர்களைக் கூட்டவோ குறைக்கவோ முடியும். வெளிச்சத்தில் இருந்துவிட்டு இருட்டுக்குள் உடனே சென்றால் சிறிது நேரத்திற்கு ஒன்றுந் தெரியமாட்டாது வெளிச்சத்தில் இருக்கும்பொழுது ஐரிஸ் சுருங்கி இருக்கும். இருட்டில் ஏதாவது பார்க்கவேண்டுமாயின் ஐரிஸ் நன்கு விரிதல் வேண்டும் சுருங்கி இருந்த ஐரிஸ் விரிவதற்குச் சிறிது நேரம் வேண்டுமாயைால் அச் சிறிது நேரம் மட்டும் ஒன்றும் தெரியமாட்டாது.

தம் கண்ணில் குறைபாடு இருப்பதாக முன் கூறியவர்களின் கண்ணாடிச் சில்லின் குவிக்குஞ் சக்தி வேறுபாட்டால் உருவம் அத்தரிசன படலத்தில் விழாது. இதற்காகவே கண்பிழை உள்ளவர்கள் தம் கண்களுக்கேற்றவாறு கண்ணாடி உபயோகிப்பார்கள். குருடன் கண்ணிலோ பார்வைக்குரிய பகுதிகள் இயங்கமாட்டா. கட்புலனற்ற சிவப்புக் கீழ்க்கதிர்கள் (Infra red rays), ஊதா மேற் கதிர்கள் (Ultra violet rays) மூலமும் பொருட்களை அறியலாம் என்று கண்டுபிடித்திருக்கிறார்கள் விஞ்ஞானிகள். ஆனால் இவை எல்லாவற்றைப் பற்றியும் விரித்தெழுதுவது இச்சிறு கட்டுரைக்குப் பொருத்தமானதன்று. விஞ்ஞானம் எவற்றிற்கும் காரணங்காண முனைந்துநிற்கும் நேரம் இந்நேரம். பார்வை அற்றவனுக்கு உலகம் ஒரு பாலைவனம். ஆதலின் பார்வையைப்பற்றிச் சிறிதாவது அறியவேண்டியது அவசியமே.

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PEEPS STAGES A COME - BACK

THE Editor 'Mahajan' is pleased to announce in these pages the come-back of Peeps. Here are cullings from his leaves which we publish for the delectation of those who happen to know him rather intimately during the last few years. Mr. Boomerang, last year's *locum tenens*, has bidden *au revoir* very gracefully. Our thanks. We are sorry we are not in a position to give Peeps' address as he wishes to remain *incognite*.

Jan. 8. Reopening Day;— whining school boys without satchels, but pampered by parental care plead with the Principal for admission. S. P. blushes under the pressure of many manly visions. N. R. our 'New Recruit' from Maharagama.

„ 18. K. K. purchases a Bug in place of a Big Forty.

„ 24 E. I. I. the 'Perpetual Boarding House Master' of Travancore House welcomes Vidwan as a weekly boarder. The new inmate is surprised at such abominations and damnations like eggs and fish served on equal terms with brinjals and pumpkins.

„ 26 The speaker passes away. 'O thou scion of ancient blood who loved life more than you and who lived life better than you!'

„ 30. Gandhi Day at College.

Feb. 6 Guild Meeting. Vidwan speaks on 'Gandhian Economics' paying no heed to the economy of time.

„ 17. After two years of stay at Tellippallai M. J. G. (G does not stand for Gilpin) with his spouse and a jocund company of youth, bent on merriment, pitches his tent under romantic surroundings at Kayts.

„ 20. The Staff attends the funeral of V. T.'s mother.

Mar. 6. Mahasivarathri. C. S. cannot resist the temptation to go on a pilgrimage to Thiruketheeswaram. Principal and a band of twenty boys are his disciples.

„ 8. Inter House Oratorical contest. Thuraiappah tops.

„ 13. Inspection of needle-work. Our Dorcis with Grace and dignity gave a good account of her stewardship.

„ 19. Guild Meeting. C. C. S. present. Was he there to see and to be seen or to hear and to be heard?

Apr. 9. Inter House Tamil Drama Competition. What, did not V. C. get the first place!

„ 29. Tamil Vila. Vidwan proud at the pride of place given to Tamil. He makes a bold bid to advertise his Gandhian Outlook.

May 3. Foundation laid for a new Physics Lab. through the munificence of the sons of the late Mr. Eliathamby of Mallakam. May they prosper!

„ 9. C. C. S returns from his 'Diplomatic Mission' S. S. with sparkling smiles enters to make our children practical minded — yes, pull strings and split fibre.

„ 14. N. K. summoned before a Board for selection. Sure the beginning of a series of successes.

„ 29. The Annual Inspection has come and gone.

June 1. R. R. comes with music and dance that will hold our children from play. S. C. comes back to teach where he was taught.

„ 4. Vidwan faces the music. Later he confessed that there was great pleasure in being derided by a lady.

„ 12. English Drama Competition. The laurels are Lawton's.

„ 24. Founder's Day and Prize Givings. G. G. is the chief speaker. Mrs. Pillai distributes the prizes.

June 30. Inter House Sports Meet. E. O., our patron, praises lavishly the pyramids and our Air Hostesses. A feather in V. T's cap.

July 6. Not to be outdone by M. J. G., E. I. I. bands some sprightly things and sallies forth to Kayts to see the fortress.

„ 12. Dr. Colvin R. De Silva addresses the Assembly.

„ 14. C. C. S., a 'Dip in Ed.' Congrats.

„ 25. Farewell by the Guild to N. K. on her selection to the Technical College. Good luck.

„ 26 Physical display at the Esplanade. 'Ten Thousand saw I at a glance.' Fair skins were tanned by the scorching sun.

Aug. 1. M. K. K. joins the staff, solves the problem of the problem class.

„ 4. J S S. A. Athletic Meet. We distinguished ourselves in the seniors 100 and 220.

„ 10 A select group of the staff sees "The Secrets of Life." Oh! what a farce?

„ 11. S. P. declares her aversion to peacock.

„ 15. M. K. K. at the refresher course earns the encomia of the inspectors.

„ 23. Principal, K. K. and A. R. motored to the land of elephant rock to be present at the Annual General Meeting of the A. C. U. T. C. C. S. the other delegate pays assiduous attention to matters of the heart. Amor Vincit Omnia.

Sep. 12. C. C. S. very literally leads N. K. to the altar. K. K., S. N. and A. R. were there to sing his epithalamium.

„ 14. C. C. S. and his choice At Home to the Principal and the Staff.

„ 26. Principal and the Staff return the compliment. On being presented with a wonderful lamp C. C. S. declared 'lux in tenebris lucet'

- Oct. 5 Our first Soccer match for the season against Chavakachcheri Hindu. It was a case of missed chances and lost opportunities.
- „ 9. A colossal victory by nine goals to nil. against Attiar.
- „ 10. Finale of the Saraswathi Poojah.
- „ 12. Friendly soccer with Manipay Hindu. A victory for us. 2—1.
- „ 15. C. C. S. addresses the Guild. Over anxious to help the child. Why is he in a hurry?
- „ 19. We lose to Urumpirai Hindu by a solitary goal, Fit retribution for our victory two years ago.
- „ 21. Heavy showers; Vidwan the author of "Gandhian Outlook" was forced to have recourse to a hat of antique shape and cloak of grey, to protect himself against the inclemencies of the weather.
- „ 23. Match against Vidayalayam. We went neck to neck and finally seized victory.
- „ 27. The match against Somaskanda has so many odds. We won 3 — 0.
- „ 28. P. S. the receipient of a billetoux. M. K. K. highly tickled in the way in which the precious thing was handled.
- „ 30. Mahajana shatters the hopes of Parameswara in a very keenly contested soccer match. Results 1 — 0.
- „ 31. V. N. T. A. meets at Mallakam school. Mr. K. Poornampillai speaks on some features of Educational Practice.
- Nov. 2. Annual Staff debate. Subject: 'The Continuance of the U. N. P. in power is not in the best interests of Ceylon'. S. B. G. W. spoke with fiery eloquence and supported the immigration policy of the U. N. P. and S. R. quoted Scott and very scholarly dubbed him anti-Indian, anti-National and Anti everything.

Nov. 7. Union and Mahajana dispute the command of the ball in far away Jaffna. The battle was lost and won to make the Victory more thrilling, Result 1 — 2.

„ 13. Principal addressed the Guild on the place of the mother tongue in the future educational set-up.

„ 19. N. S., our magister magistrum, celebrates the award of a special post.

„ 27. S. N. swayed by emotion revealed that Mahajana with eight 'TEACHERS' could not make his heart beat faster as he had enjoyed the tender attention of two and twenty such things in cold Nuwara Eliya.

Dec. 3. Farewell to P. S. As she has decided to take the plunge, can Punch or any other personality make her alter her decision.

*Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life
Ring in redress to all mankind.*



Love and scandal are the best sweeteners to tea. — Fielding.

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Marriage may often be a stormy lake: but celibacy is almost always a muddy horsepond. — Peacock.

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Protestations with men are like tears with women, forgot ere the cheek be dry. — Middleton.

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Women are in churches, saints; abroad angels; and at home devils. — Wilkins;

Examination Results

University Entrance 1950

Mas. S. Wijayaratnam	(Tamil, Government)
" S. Jekathalampirathan	Government
Miss K. Thavamany	(Tamil)

Pass List S. S. C. December 1950

N. Jeeweshwaran	K. Thiruchchitampalam
K. Nallanathan	C. Jegasothy
S. Palanippillai	K. Kanmani

Referred

M. Arulananthan	English
T. Duraisingam	"
A. Kanagasabai	Ele. Maths
R. Kumarathevan	English
S. Kurugulasingham	"
P. Palasingam	"
A. Paramanathan	Tamil
S. Pasupathinathan	English
S. Poolokainthiran	"
A. Ramanathan	"
V. Shanmuganathan	"
N. Selvadorai	"
K. Sivapalaratnam	"
S. Sivarasa	"
V. Shivasubramaniam	Tamil
S. Thurairajah	English
V. Velayutham	Tamil
V. Maheswary	English
T. Rohiniammah	"

July 1951 Pass List

P. Sivapathasundaram	R. Kumarathevan
T. Duraisingam	P. Palasingam
A. Kanagasabai	A. Paramanathan
V. Karunanithi	V. Shivasubramaniam

Referred

K. Ganesaratnam	English
M. Lorence	"
S. Paramanathan	"
K. Sivasoundranayagam	"
T. Kumaravetpillai	Mechanics or Chemistry

Re-Referred

M. Arulanathan
A. Ramanathan
S. Sivarasa
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English

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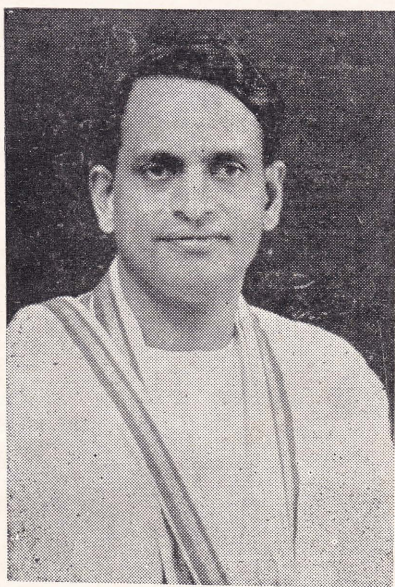
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N. Kanagachandran
S. Kandasamy
S. Kathirgamanathan
N. Kathirgamanathan
S. Kathirgamathamby
R. Kumarasamy
S. Murugiah
V. Mylvaganam
S. Nadarajah
K. Nadarajah
K. Nadarajah
S. Paramanathan
T. Pararajasingam
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K. Sivasubramaniam
S. Sivasubramniam
V. Sinnadurai
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MR. P. NAGALINGAM, Proctor, S. C., has been elected a Senator by the House of Representatives.

MR. S. SANMUGANATHAN of Radio Ceylon has been selected for training with the B. B. C. London

MR. E. I. IDICULA, B. Sc., has been appointed an Entomologist by the Government of India. He will be stationed in Bombay.

MESSRS. S. RAMANATHAN, T. S. MYLVAHANAM, N. SIVAGNANAM, K. MYLVAGANAM have passed Class II of the Executive Clerical Service.

DR. S. MANIKKAM has been transferred to Chavakachcheri as District Medical Officer.

MESSRS. S. VIJAYARATNAM, S. BALASINGHAM, P. NADARAJAH, S. VELAUTAPILLAI, S. JEGATHALAPIRATHAPAN, E. THIRUNAVUKKARASU, E. SIVAJOTHY, S. THIRUCHITAMPALAM, T. THIAGARAJAH, S. PALANIPILLAI, joined the Government Clerical Service, during the year.

MR. M. THANABALASINGHAM has been appointed an Investigating Officer in the Department of Census.

MR. E. SUNTHARAMOORTHY has passed the Final Examination for Apothecaries.

MR. S. VISUVANATHAN has been awarded a Scholarship on the results of the First Examination in Engineering of the University of Ceylon.

MESSRS. K. KATHIRGAMASEGARAM, N. KANAGASABAI, and S. PONNAMBALAM have joined the Faculty of Medicine University of Ceylon.

MR. A. NITHIYANANTHAM has taken his oath as a Proctor of the Supreme Court.

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- MR. T. T. JAYARATNAM B. A. (London) *M. R. S. T., First Class English Trained. Principal.*
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- " K. SUNDARAMPILLAI " " " "
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- " S. ARUMUGAM *Provisional Certificate.*
- " C. THAMBOO *Cambridge Junior.*
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- " P. RAJAH *Uncertificated.*
- MR. A. KANDIAH *Bursar.*
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- " S. SITHAMPARAPILLAI *Clerk.*

CALENDAR FOR 1952

First Term : January 9—April 9

Second Term : May 14—August 8.

Third Term : September 3—December 19.

Special Holidays :

Jan.	11th	Duruthu Full Moon Day
"	14th	Thai Pongal
Feb.	4th	Independence Commemoration Day
"	7th	Buddhist Posen
"	27th	Kodietham at Maviddapuram Kandaswamy Temple
July	7th	Esala Full Moon
"	21st	Adi Amavasai
Sept.	22nd	Muslim New Year
Oct.	17th	Hindu Deepavali
Nov.	14th	Last Friday of Aippasi
Dec	1st	Prophet's Birth Day
"	2nd	Unthuva Pooranai

College Events :

Jan.	30th	Gandhi Remembrance Day
April	20th	Gurupooja of St. Thirunavukkarasu Swamigal
June	9th	" Thirugnana-sabandar
"	24th	Founder's Day Celebrations
"	27th	Gurupooja of St. Manickavasagar
July	30th	" Sundaramoorthy
Sept.	11th	Bharathy Day
"	27th	Saraswathy Poojah
"	28th	Vijayathasami Celebrations
Dec.	8th	Navalar Day

Inter-House Competition.

Feb. 12th	Elocution (Tamil)
" 19th—21st	Tenokoit
March, 18th—20th	Volley ball
May 20th	Art
" 22nd	Music
" 27th—29th	Basket-ball
June 6th	English Drama
" 11th—14th	Sports Meet
July 1st	English Essay
" 8th—10th	Net-ball
" 11th	Tamil Essay
Aug. 1st	English Elocution
Sept. 30th—Oct. 2nd	Soccer 1st Eleven
Oct. 7th—9th	Soccer 11nd Eleven
" 21st—23rd	Thatchi
Nov. 4th—6th	Badminton

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