



The Mahindodaya Technical Laboratory of J.R. Jayewardene MMV, Dummalasooriya was opened by Minister with Sampath Dissanayake, Private Secretary to Minister of External Affairs and members of the tutorial staff.

Pic. S.M. Wijayaratne, Kurunegala Cor.



Two new buses were donated to senior citizens of the Kalutara district Elders' Board by the Transport Minister Kumara Welgama in Kalutara recently. District Secretary, Kalutara, U.D.C. Jayalal, Deputy Chairman, Kalutara District Elders' Board, Anula J. Hettiarachchi and several VIPs were present on the occasion. Here the Minister boards one of the buses.

Pic. Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The Kolonnawa Urban Council came first in the Productivity Competition held among local bodies of the Western Province recently. Here Chairman, Ravindra Udayasanthra receives the award from Western Province Chief Minister, Prasanna Ranatunga at the Colombo New Town Hall auditorium.

Pic. A. Sumanasena, Kolonnawa Gr. Cor.



Hindu religious observances were held at the Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development Minister Douglas Devananda's residence recently, organised by the International Hindu Religious Priests Peedam to invoke blessings on the Minister's 57th birthday. Here a senior member of the Peedam, Lakshmi Kantha Kurukkal drapes a golden shawl while President's Co-ordinator for Hindu Religious Affairs R. Babu Sarma and the peedam members look on.

Pic. A. Maduraweeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Agricultural Minister Mahinda Yapa Abeywardena who visited the Ampara district recently held a meeting at the Al-Hussain Vidyalaya, Maligaikadu, where farmers and officers took part. A Memorandum highlighting the urgent need's of farmers in Ampara was presented to the Minister.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



Well-known businessman and philanthropist Hugh Sriyal Dissanayake assumed duties as Honorary Consul of the Republic of Philippines in Sri Lanka recently. Here Mr. Dissanayake takes oaths before the First Secretary and Consul General of the Embassy of Philippines Mohd Noordin Pendsosina N. Lomondot. Mrs Dissanayake looks on.



The inauguration of the flight validation for pilots' course was held at the "Liberty Arcade" recently with Parakrama Dissanayake, Acting Director General of Civil Aviation as chief guest. Here the chief guest with the instructors Jiang Weian, Ma Gang and the participants.



A free health camp was held at Camilia School, Mattegoda, Kottawa recently, organised by the Lions Club of Mattegoda. Here a patient being examined by a medical officer. President of the Club, Wimal Dissanayake, Secretary, Nizam Jayah and Project Chairman, Jagath Seneviratne are also in the picture.



Well-known social worker and founder of Sri Sathya Sai Baba Centre, Colombo, Siva Selvarathnam was felicitated for his services to the Sai Baba Centre at the Sai Shrine, New Chetty Street, Kotahena recently. Here President of the Centre, S.N. Udayanayahan presents a memento after sashing him with a golden shawl.

Pic. A. Maduraweeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The workshop for provincial journalists on 'Country Facing Challenge in the present Era' organised by the Sri Lanka Nidahas Madya Sangsadaya was held at the Govt. Information Dept. auditorium recently. Here senior journalist Mohan Samaranyake delivers a lecture. President, Wangsanath Wijesinghe and former parliamentarian Madduma Bandara, parliamentarian Duminda Silva and journalist Lalith Silve were also present.

Pic. M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Award-winning author and literary critic Sena Thoradeniya's latest Sinhala novel *Bandara Maeru Un* was launched recently at the Dayawansa Jayakody Bookshop, Colombo 10. Here the publisher Dayawansa Jayakody (right) presents a copy of the book to the author. Ananda Goonetilleke, Attorney-at-Law, Dharmadasa Panditharatne, Tennyson Perera, Gongitota Sarath and Lalith Dharmasekara look on.



A two-day workshop on 'Bridal dressing' organised by the Eastern Province Rural Development Department was held at the Cultural Centre auditorium, Akkaraipattu recently. Thirty women benefited by the program. Here the dressed-up brides with the teacher.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



A presentation of agro equipment organised by the Sri Lanka Hadabima Authority of the Agriculture Development of the Agrarian Service Ministry was held at the Tapodanarama temple, Urugala, Ingiriya recently, under the patronage of Kalutara district parliamentarian Vidura Wickramanayake and Vice Chairman, Horana Pradeshiya Sabha, Asoka Ranatunga. Here the Vice Chairman presents the documents to a beneficiary.

Pic. Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



Kamal Perera's Sinhala novel *Muduna* has been translated into English as *To the Summit* by Vijith Fernando. Here the author (right) presents a copy of the book to President, Sri Lanka Writers' National Organisation Wimaladasa Samarasinghe at the SAARC Office, Colombo. It is a Godage publication.



A hardball cricket net practice court was opened at the Sandhanganai grounds, Kalmunai recently. Here a member of the Kalmunai Municipal Council, A.M. Riyas opens the court. Mayor Nizam Kariapper is also in the picture.

Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The Asia Foundation hopes to develop Municipal Councils and Urban Councils, with funds from the Korean International Cooperation Agency (KOICA). Here Akkaraipattu Mayor, A. Ahamed in discussion with the KOICA officials. Municipal Commissioner, A.L.M. Azmi and the Councilors were also present.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.

EVENTS

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on 'To be aware of our past' delivered by the late Indian sage Jiddu Krishnamurti will be replayed at the Study Centre auditorium, Beddagana, Duwa Road, Kotte today at 10.30 a.m. It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.



The International Biographical Centre, Cambridge, England appointed Ambassador-General, Dr. M.H.C.J Jan as Secretary-General of the United Cultural Convention. Here Dr. Jan receives his appointment letter from Director-General, IBCC, Nicholas Law at a ceremony at the University of Cambridge, England.



The Eastern Province Agriculture Ministry organised *Rising East*, the agriculture exhibition, at Sainthamaruthu Mal-harus-shums M.V. Recently. Here Eastern Province Chief Minister Najeeb Abdul Majeed opens the exhibition. Eastern Province Agriculture Minister Naseer Ahamed is also in the picture.

Pic. M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The Ibrahimiya Quran Madarasa of Kattankudy celebrated Manakib Majlis recently. Here Al-Haj M. Fozzan Anver, President, Addiyathul Fassiya addresses the gathering.

Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



The annual review meeting of the *Mithuru Piyasa* program was held at the Pegasus Reef Hotel, Wattala recently. Here the Program Manager, Family Health Bureau, Dr. Nethanjali Mapiitigama and medical specialist Dr. Luxshman Senanayake light the oil lamp. Dr. Nisha Fernando and other participants are at right.

Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.

NPA honours Dhammika

Dhammika Amerasinghe of Samagipura Mahiyangana was awarded the *Kirthi Sri Deshabhimane Deshabandhu Vyaparavighushan* by the National Peace Association at an award ceremony at the BMICH, Colombo recently.



'Sports Festival 2014' organised by the Addalaichenai Divisional Secretariat was held at the public playground recently. Here Eastern Provincial Councillor, A.L.M. Naseer presents the trophy to the winning team. Addalaichenai Divisional Secretary, I.M. Haniffa and Sports Officer, S.L. Thajudeen look on.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



Mrs. I. Muller of the City of Badvilbel in Germany donated clothes to the Maman and Papa Handicapped Children's Home, Katukurunda, Kalutara recently.

Pic. B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



The awards ceremony for the "All Island Cricket Trophy" was held at Kalmunai Zahira College recently. Here the principal P.M.M. Badurdeen presents the trophy to the captain of the winning team.

Pic. M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.