Vision with a mission



The Presidential election About to come is only a selection of a leader, To guide and rule the nation, For another term. And convert Sri Lanka, To be the Wonder of Asia It is Mahinda vision which has a mission. A cross the borders, For others to follow. Mahinda, the man of the age, Born in the South Tamed the Tigers Who dwelt in the North And united the nation For all of us to live In peace and harmony. Hail, to thee, President. You will surely win, With a majority unprecedented To be the President of Sri Lanka, For another six years. You will accomplish, Your goal of building the nation With a lesson For all the leaders of the world At large To build their nations With head, hand and heart, as you are! - M. Raymond Sedera



On the eve of the seventh decade

Gone are seventy-five years! Surprise, wonder, disbelief Come rolling to the shore In waves. From the yonder deeps It arose as a mere trace of a rise, Grew taller, wider, deeper Travelled in sun and rain Pushed by stormy winds The morning rays of the sun Painted its whitish foam Rosv pink: The noon sun laughed at its growing height; The setting sun scattered it with ochre dust; In the dark dreary night It travelled along its chosen path, Revelled with the touch of the silver rays On ghostly full moon nights. The wheel of life revolved. Days turned to years and decades, Slow at first, but at a swifter speed, later, The wave rolled on. Now, I see it yonder The faint line of the shore. With gathering effort, the crest will lift And ... the wave, will break to meet the end. - Sunila Nanayakkara

