

material advancement or organisational prestige. Many in the Christian Church in Portuguese and Dutch times succumbed to such temptations as these and nominal Christianity abounded. The moral strength of the Church and her contribution to this country's true welfare would undoubtedly have been far greater had the Church in these as in other times relied less on political and other material aids for the proclamation of her message.

Despite the weakness caused to the Church by nominal Christianity, however, there were undoubtedly many Ceylonese who, being convinced of its truth, accepted the Christian religion and supported the personal and social Evangelism of the Church whether the government of the day was favourable to them or not. They formed the nucleus of the Church in Ceylon, and it was chiefly through them that Christianity was transmitted to later generations and was able to serve the country as the years went by.



GENEALOGY OF THE FAMILY OF LOOS OF CEYLON

(Compiled by Mr. F. H. de Vos in 1916; revised by Mr. D. V. Altendorff in 1949).

I

Jacob Pietersz Loos, Superintendent of the Dutch East India Company's Armoury, born at Amsterdam, 15th February 1655, died at Colombo, 8th January 1702, (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. I, page 88), married at Colombo, 1st June 1681, Margarita Dirksz de Vries. He had by her —

- 1 Catharina, born 7th September 1682.
- 2 Pieter, who follows under II.

II

Pieter Loos, Boekhouder, baptised 21st November 1686, died 1752, married: —

- (a) 16th October 1722, Adrianus Scheffar, widow of Pieter Caesar.
- (b) Florinda d' Orta.

Of the first marriage, he had —

- 1 Margarita Cornelia, baptised 21st December 1718.
- Of the second marriage, he had —
- 2 Pieter Adriaan, who follows under III.
- 3 Hermanus, who follows under IV.

III

Pieter Adriaan Loos, Boekhouder, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:

- (a) 2nd April 1758, Clarinda Meyer.
- (b) 24th September 1769, Catharina Mazius.

Of the second marriage, he had —

- 1 Adriaan Elias, baptised 17th February 1771.
- 2 Jacob, baptised 20th September 1772.

IV

Hermanus Loos, Assistant in the Dutch East India Company, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:

- (a) 7th July 1767, Elizabeth Johanna Erfson, baptised 21st February 1740, daughter of Johannes Erfson, Krank-bezoeker, and Maria Ligtveld. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. IX, page 71).
- (b) 2nd August 1802, Christina Peries.

Of the first marriage, he had—

- 1 Margarita Adriana, born 30th May 1769.
- 2 Johannes Jacobus, who follows under V.
- 3 Pieter Francois, married:
 - (a) Eliza de Heer.
 - (b) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 7th March 1802, Anna Francina Milhuysen, widow of Johannes Hendrik Henke, and daughter of Jurgen Milhuysen of Stockat in Holland and Anna Maria Jansz.
- 4 Pieter, who follows under VI.
- 5 Clara Catharina married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 25th March 1810, Adriaan Willem Appelboom, died 19th June 1855, son of Julius Johannes Appelboom and Johanna Sophia Spech.
- 6 Harmanus, who follows under VII.
- 7 Adriana Sesilia Johanna, baptised 1st April 1810.

V

Johannes Jacobus Loos, Boekhonder, baptised 8th April 1770, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:

- (a) 10th May 1789, Catharina Fernando.
- (b) 20th July 1800, Adriana Hansen, widow of Johan Christiaan Herber.

Of the first marriage, he had—

- 1 Pieter Adriaan, who follows under VIII.
- 2 Gertruida Margarita, baptised 9th October 1791.
- 3 Henrietta Huberta, baptised 14th April 1793.
- 4 Gertruida Wilhelmina, baptised 14th April 1793, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 6th December 1824, Abraham Pietersz.
- 5 Johanna Jacoba.

VI

Pieter Loos, baptised 28th July 1776, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 31st July 1796, Johanna Sophia Van Dort, baptised 4th February 1776, daughter of Gerhart Elias Van Dort and Helena Jansz. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXVIII, page 18).

He had by her—

- 1 Fredrick Pieter Robertus, who follows under IX.
- 2 Charlotta Gertruida, baptised 24th March 1799.
- 3 Johanna Adriana, baptised 10th May 1801.

VII

Harmanus Loos married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 25th June 1816, Johanna Elizabeth Brands, widow of George Dak Orton, and he had by her—

- 1 Petrus Harmanus, born 11th December 1818.
- 2 Louisa Adriana, born 13th December 1823.
- 3 Johan Adrian, born 21st December 1828.

VIII

Pieter Adriaan Loos, Registrar of the Supreme Court, baptised 9th October 1791, died 6th June 1859, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal:

- (a) 21st March 1805, Sophia Cornelia Fares.
- (b) 10th January 1829, Sophia Magdalena Alvis, widow of Josephus Christoffel Weinman, and daughter of Bernhardus Alvis and Libertina Maria Landsberger. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXXVII, page 62).

Of the first marriage, he had—

- 1 Justinus Adrianus, who follows under X.
- 2 Anna Christina, baptised 22nd March 1807, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 18th April 1830, Lucas Adrianus Bartholomeusz, son of Daniel Bartholomeusz and Cornelia Elizabeth Koch, (widow).
- 3 Christiaan Albertus who follows under XI.
- 4 Carel Godfried, who follows under XII.
- 5 Johanna Frederica, born 28th April 1816, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 21st November 1829, Johan Gerard Alvis, born 24th December 1815, son of Bernhardus Alvis and Libertina Maria Landsberger. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXXVII, page 62).
- 6 Sara Emelia, born 5th October 1817.
- 7 Gerhardina Dorothea, born 30th October 1818.
- 8 Johannes Jacobus, who follows under XIII.
- 9 Harriet, born 2nd October 1825, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 7th June 1847, Peter Henry Ephraums, born 16th December 1818, son of Cornelius Adrianus Ephraums and Angenita Clara Van Ingen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 106).
- 10 Charlotta Louisa, born 4th May 1828.

Of the second marriage, he had—

- 11 William, born 16th November 1829.
- 12 Julia, born 30th October 1830.
- 13 Matilda, born 26th January 1832.
- 14 Cecil, born 4th March 1834.
- 15 Sophia Magdalena, born 7th June 1835, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 8th November 1855, Dionysius James Alexander Andree, born 2nd October 1825, son of Wilhelms Fredericus Edwardus Andree and Johanna Charlotta Bogaars. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. X, page 15).
- 16 Edward, born 13th August 1836.

- 17 John, born 4th February 1838, died 15th September 1902, married in the Methodist Church, Maradana, 10th April 1897. Mary Millicent Christoffelsz, born 1st February 1872, daughter of Johannes Justinus Christoffelsz and Elizabeth Sophia de Rooy (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 17).
- 18 William Adrian, born 23rd August 1840.
- 19 Henry Theobald, born 2nd February 1842.

IX

Fredrick Pieter Robertus Loos, baptised 22nd January 1797, died 14th August 1842, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 14th May 1821, Anna Sophia Bertram, born 3rd May 1805, died 9th July 1851, daughter of Johan Godlieb Bertram and Gertruida Cornelia Erfson, widow of Jan Fredrik Ruhne. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. IX, page 72). He had by her—

- 1 Pieter John James, who follows under XIV.
- 2 Anna Sophia, born 14th December 1824, died 7th September 1889.
- 3 Charlotte Amelia, born 7th August 1826, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 22nd June 1857, Andrew La Haye (widower).
- 4 Charles Edmund Richard, who follows under XV.
- 5 Robert Henry, born 24th December 1830, died 19th August 1865.

X

Justinus Adrianus Loos, baptised 2nd March 1806, married and he had by her—

- 1 James Adriaan, who follows under XVI.

XI

Christiaan Albertus Loos, baptised 10th February 1809, died 5th October 1858, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 9th July 1832, Cornelia Rudolphina Cramer, born 2nd April 1812, daughter of Josephus Louis Cramer of Batticaloa and Charlotte Elisabeth Caspersz. He had by her—

- 1 Lewis Adriaan, born 30th August 1833.
- 2 Frederick Charles, who follows under XVII.
- 3 Emma, born 7th May 1837, died 22nd November 1902, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 9th April 1863, John Henry Ferdinands, born 24th September 1832, died 9th December 1871, son of George Henry Ferdinands and Gertruida Johanna Meier. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 142, and Vol. XXV, page 78).
- 4 Caroline, born 19th January 1838, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 10th February 1862, Stephen

Charles Van Langenberg, born 1838, son of Hendrik Van Langenberg, Chief Clerk, Audit Office, and Lucretia Elizabeth Von Hagt. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. IX, page 128).

- 5 James Robertson, who follows under XVIII.
- 6 Francis William, who follows under XIX.
- 7 Helen, born 25th July 1845.
- 8 Catherina, born 14th October 1847, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 27th December 1884, Solomon Henry Ferdinands, born 15th October 1839, died 20th January 1911, son of George Henry Ferdinands and Justina Emerentia Van Cuylenberg. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. VII, page 80, and Vol. XXV, page 77).
- 9 Lucy, born 27th December 1848, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 14th December 1872, Oscar Gerard Joseph, born 2nd April 1848, son of Gerardus Petrus Joseph and Johanna Francina Martensz. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XII, page 28).

XII

Carel (Charles) Godfried Loos, born 13th December 1814, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 7th September 1837, Emelia Barbara Vanden Driesen, born 3rd October 1822, died 23rd February 1851, daughter of Johannes Arnoldus Vanden Driesen and Anna Helena Wilhelmina Heyzer. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 56, and Vol. XXVI, page 26). He had by her—

- 1 Marianne born 1st January 1844, died 27th January 1845.
- 2 Martin Carnie, born 27th August 1845, died 9th September 1856.
- 3 Edmund Sydney, born 28th August 1847, died 3rd July 1848.
- 4 Eleanor Frances, born 28th January 1849, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 25th September 1872, Charles William Bennett.
- 5 Andrew Benjamin, who follows under XX.

XIII

Johannes Jacobus (James) Loos, M. D. of St. Andrew's University in 1866, Member of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1867, Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, appointed first Principal of the Ceylon Medical College in 1870, acted as Principal Civil Medical Officer, 1881—1882, born 17th July 1822, died 4th May 1904, (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XV, page 2), married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 20th November 1845, Maria Louisa Kats, born 23rd December 1826, died 30th August 1875, daughter of Jurgen Gualterus Kats, Colonial Chaplain, St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, and Elizabeth..... He had by her—

- 1 Arthur James, born 28th December 1846, died 4th September 1847.

- 2 Walter Henry, born 15th September 1849, died in London, 11th June 1875, married at Glasgow, 28th October 1873, Anabelle Cameron Chisholm.
- 3 Laura Amelia, born 30th March 1851, died 3rd June 1919.

XIV

Pieter John James Loos, born 6th October 1823, died 14th February 1863, married 15th January 1852, Matilda Bartholomeusz, baptised 3rd November 1823, daughter of Daniel Anthony Louis Bartholomeusz, Minister of the Methodist Church and afterwards Dutch Translator, and Henrietta Charlotte Vander Wall. He had by her—

- 1 Charlotte Sophia, born 22nd April 1853, married 18th September 1875, Vincent Henry Herft, son of John Charles Herft and Anna de Moor.
- 2 John William, who follows under XXI.
- 3 Vincent Edmund, born 2nd December 1859, died 17th July 1910.
- 4 James Andrew, who follows under XXII.

XV

Charles Edmund Richard Loos, born 17th June 1829, died 24th June 1894, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 10th September 1856, Eliza Matilda Rodrigue, born 22nd May 1837, died 4th March 1890, daughter of Hermanus Dionysius Rodrigue and Jacoba Pieris. He had by her—

- 1 Arthur Edmund, born 12th August 1857, died 14th August 1858.
- 2 Owen Julian, who follows under XXIII.
- 3 Justin Bertram, who follows under XXIV.

XVI

James Adriaan Loos, Accountant, born 21st December 1828, died 23rd January 1863, married—

- (a) In St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 1st May 1848, Marianne Caroline Jansz.
- (b) In Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 14th April 1858, Johanna Frederika Dickman, born 20th April 1830, daughter of Magnus Fredrik Willem Dickman and Johanna Gerhardina Justina Mack. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 125, and Vol. XXXVIII, page 134).
- (c) In the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 26th July 1858, Mary Ann Eliza Pitera, born 4th October 1838, died 9th November 1931, daughter of Cornelius Jacobus Pitera and Mary Ann Garvin. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXXIV, page 110).

Of the first marriage he had—

- 1 Arthur Duncan Grant, who follows under XXV.

- 2 Lydia Louisa, born 4th August 1854.
- 3 Walter Frederick, born 9th September 1855.
- 4 Frederick John Clement, born 22nd September 1856, died 5th March 1909, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 17th November 1881, Laura Jemima Dickman, born 6th June 1858, died 21st May 1933, daughter of Johannes Jacobus Cornelius Dickman and Drusilla Johanna Engelina Woutersz. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 127, and Vol. XXXIX, page 56).

XVII

Frederick Charles Loos, C. M. G., Proctor and Notary Public, Member of the Legislative Council, 1900—1911, First President of the Dutch Burger Union of Colombo, 1908—1911, born 13th December 1834, baptised 3rd January 1836, died 21st August 1911, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo:—

- (a) 25th April 1859, Jane Harriet Keith, born 5th September 1838, died 4th October 1872, daughter of John Neil Keith and Margaritta Wilhelmina Vander Straaten, (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 158, and Vol. XXV, page 57).
- (b) 2nd November 1874, Isabel Amelia Van Cuylenburg, born 27th June 1856, died 12th February 1935, daughter of Petrus Henricus Van Cuylenburg and Eliza Morgan. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. VII, page 84, Vol. XI, page 62, and Vol. XXV, pages 174 and 175).

Of the first marriage, he had:—

- 1 Margaret, born 27th February 1860, died 1938, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 9th December 1880, Edward Campbell Davies, Government Factory Engineer, Colonel Commanding the Ceylon Light Infantry.
- 2 Frederick Christian, who follows under XXVI.
- 3 Marianne, born 29th April 1862, died 31st May 1864.
- 4 Herman Albert, who follows under XXVII.
- 5 William Christopher, born 4th February 1867, married 27th November 1901, Agnes Johnstone Osmund.
- 6 Charles Garvin, born 10th June 1870, died 31st January 1882.
- 7 Julian Henry Keith, Architect, born 22nd September, 1872, died 1st June 1948.

Of the second marriage, he had:—

- 8 Albert Edward, who follows under XXVIII.
- 9 Hector Rienzi, who follows under XXIX.
- 10 Mira, born 7th March 1879, married in St. Peter's Church, Colombo, 23rd October 1912, Frederick John de Saram, Proctor and Notary Public, born 24th May 1886, son of Richard Francis de Saram and Selina Louisa Dickman. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 126)

- 11 Lillian Stephanie Alberta, born 22nd June 1881.
- 12 Beatrice Hesba, born 17th December 1882, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 22nd April 1924, Edward Gerald Gratiaen, Proctor and Notary Public, born 2nd October 1885, son of Edward Stork Gratiaen, Colonial Surgeon, Civil Medical Department, and Sophia Jane Vander Smagt. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 20, and Vol. XXVIII, page 86)
- 13 George Cecil Bertram, born 3rd October 1884, died 12th March 1915, married in England, April 1912, Helen Hines, and he had by her a son, who was born in May 1913.
- 14 Walter Frederick Michael, born 30th September 1890, died 30th May 1907.

XVIII

James Robertson Loos, Proctor, born 1st May 1840, died 15th February 1930, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 4th August 1864, Anna Maria Louisa Vander Straaten, born 20th April 1841, died 13th February 1931, daughter of Philip Joseph Lewis Vander Straaten and Sophia Maria Louisa Spencer. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 164). He had by her—

- 1 Ethel Sophia, born 2nd August 1865, died 26th March 1949, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 4th April 1894, William Edmund Mack, born 25th May 1860, died 12th March 1929, son of Martin Edmund Mack and Emelia Maria Idé (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXVIII, pages 139 and 145)
- 2 Ernest Robertson, who follows under XXX.
- 3 Justin Robert, born 2nd November 1867, died 5th March 1868.
- 4 Vivian Albert, who follows under XXXI.
- 5 Evelyn Maria, born 18th January 1870.
- 6 Herbert Gibson, L.M.S. (Ceylon), born 22nd July 1871, died 9th August 1918, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 24th March 1915, Louise Dorothy Buksh nee Pusey.
- 7 Mabel Beatrice, born 31st March 1873.
- 8 Percival Robert, who follows under XXXII.
- 9 Guy Errol, who follows under XXXIII.

XIX

Francis William Loos, born 19th January 1842, died 14th October 1913, married in St. Andrews Church, Gampola, 18th May 1870, Harriet de Hoedt, born 7th April 1849, died 23rd February 1935, daughter of Charles William de Hoedt, Clerk in Holy Orders and Clara Vander Wall. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 152). He had by her—

- 1 Clara Winifred, born 13th July 1871.

- 2 Frank Eric, who follows under XXXIV.
- 3 William Theodore, who follows under XXXV.

XX

Andrew Benjamin Loos, born 9th February 1851, died 15th March 1900, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 24th April 1887, Charlotte Sophia Warkus, born 20th January 1868, daughter of John Godfrind Warkus and Harriet Clout. He had by her—

- 1 Andrew Wilhelm, who follows under XXXVI.
- 2 Dorothy, born 21st June 1890, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 22nd August 1921, Alexander Percival de Bruin, born 11th December 1875, died 2nd April 1936, son of James de Bruin and Johanna Dorothea Paterson.
- 3 May Eleanor, born 15th June 1893, married in Christ Church Cathedral, Colombo, 19th September 1918, Walter Edward Arnold Jansz, born 21st October 1885, son of Walter Richard Jansz and Eleanor Jansz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, pages 133 and 134.)
- 4 Charlotte Gretchen, born 18th December 1899, died 1902.

XXI

John William Loos, born 25th September 1855, died 22nd October 1883, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 29th December 1880, Caroline La Haye, born 9th March 1859, daughter of Andrew La Haye and Charlotte Amelia Loos, (*vide* IX, 3, *supra*). He had by her—

- 1 John William, born 23rd October 1881.
- 2 Elaine Constance Sybil, born 10th February 1883.
- 3 Roslin Vivian, born 12th June 1884.

XXII

James Andrew Loos, born 8th April 1861, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 27th May 1885, Jane Maria Elders, died 8th October 1924, daughter of Richard William Elders and Julia Leonora Heyzer. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 27). He had by her—

- 1 James Alaric, Head Guard, Ceylon Government Railway, born 12th January, 1887, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 20th June 1914, Daisy Muriel Vanden Driesen, born 12th May 1889, daughter of Wilfred Vanden Driesen and Anne Malvina Brittain. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 58).
- 2 Frederick Walter, born 7th August 1888, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 26th December 1932, Gladys Venetia Carnie, born 23rd September 1901, daughter of John Arnold Carnie and Mabel Venetia Vanden Driesen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 58).

3 Sylvia Matilda, born 9th August 1890, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 8th September 1910, Bertie Cecil Loos, who follows under XXXVII.

4 Rosamund Blanche, born 7th January 1892, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 26th December 1914, Charles Conway, died 20th August 1946.

XXIII

Owen Julian Loos, born 13th November 1858, died 1925, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 13th October 1881, Laura Sophia Elisabeth Pieres, born 14th January 1864, died 31st July 1934, daughter of Edward Pieres, and Susan Louisa Williams. He had by her—

- 1 Frederick Richard Percival, who follows under XXXVII.
- 2 Bertie Cecil, who follows under XXXVIII.
- 3 Frederick George, born 31st March 1887, died 16th August 1887.
- 4 Rosamond Muriel, born 17th October 1888, married in the Methodist Church, Wellawatte, 28th October 1910, Cyril Reginald Jansz Accountant in the Department of Government Electrical Undertakings, born 16th July 1884, son of John William Jansz and Emily Gilles.

XXIV

Justin Bertram Loos, born 5th July 1860, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 28th December 1891, Jane Amelia Keegel, born 4th January 1864, died 15th January 1943, daughter of Pieter Liebert Keegel, Inspector of Police, and Anna Matilda de Zilva. (D. B. U. Journal, Vol. XXVII, page 117). He had by her—

- 1 Ruth Gladys, born 8th March 1898, married 1st March 1943, Denzil Clarence Claessen, born 10th October 1897, widower of Lodwin Elma Maxworth, and son of Granville Hillebrand Freywer Claessen and Ethel Blanche McCarthy Heyzer. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, page 28, and Vol. XXXV, page 120).

XXV

Arthur Duncan Grant Loos, born 19th January 1849, died 27th June 1891, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 16th December 1869, Catherine Maria Blackett, born 5th January 1850, died 4th July 1915, daughter of James Blackett and Sophia Francina Elhart. He had by her—

- 1 Aileen Kathleen, born 21st September 1872, died 8th June 1927, married in the Methodist Church, Maradana, 11th April 1897, Albert Valentine Sela, born 31st December 1866, died 20th November 1936, son of Andrew Henry Sela and Julia Maria Susanna Deutrom. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXI, page 64, and Vol. XXXV, page 22).

2 Euston Donald, who follows under XXXIX.

3 Allan Grant Blackett, who follows under XL.

4 Arthur Alison, who follows under XLI.

5 Herbert Alwin Sanford, born 1879, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 27th December 1926, Muriel Florida Wille, born 18th July 1895, daughter of John Edward Wille and Emelia Louisa Mary Gerlach. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXVII, page 17).

6 Evelyn May, born 1st May 1881, married 18th January 1904, George Fretz Howard Scharenguivel, born 19th July 1881, son of William Andrew Scharenguivel, and Edith Jemina Sansoni. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, page 16).

7 Elsie Muriel, born 20th September 1883, died 1st February 1931, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 18th April 1904, George Henry Miller Colomb, born 15th December 1879, son of James Bernard Colomb, Secretary of the District Court, Batticaloa, and Evelyn Frances Miller.

8 Violet Gwendoline, born 29th January 1886, married:—

(a) In St. Luke's Church, Borella, 27th July 1916, John Alfred Vincent Atwell, died 23rd October 1918.

(b) In the Provincial Registrar's Office, Padulla, 17th July 1933, George Henry Miller Colomb, widower of Elsie Muriel Loos, referred to in 7 *supra*.

9 Catherine Maria, born 4th August 1888, died 5th May 1932, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 26th December 1911, Cecil Percival Clement Foenander, born 11th June 1888, son of Clement Eugene Foenander and Laura Emelia Foenander. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXVIII, pages 99 and 105).

10 John Adrian, born 23rd February 1891, married 8th November 1916, Muriel Kerr.

XXVI

Frederick Christian Loos, J.P., F.R.C.L., Proctor, First Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court, born 21st March 1861, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 23rd May 1888, Margaret Elizabeth Vander Straaten, born 12th July 1868, daughter of John Dionysius Vander Straaten and Margaret Rose Mackenzie. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 163).

He had by her—

- 1 Marguerite Harriet, born 17th March, 1889.
- 2 Frederick Christian, Barrister-at-Law, Gray's Inn, Ceylon Judicial Service, born 26th April 1900.
- 3 Dorothy O'nora, born 5th July 1908, married in the Church of St. Saviour, Raynes Park, London, 5th May 1937, Wyvil Henry Vanden Driesen Ferdinands, L.M.S., (Ceylon), M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), D.O.M.S. (Eng.), Civil Medical Department, born 3rd December 1899, son of John

Henry Ferdinands and Ethel Lucy Vanden Driesen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXV, pages 59 and 79).

XXVII

Herman Albert Loos, B.A. (Cantab.), F.R.C.I., Barrister-at-Law, Inner Temple, District Judge, Colombo, born 21st July 1865, married in Scots Kirk, Kandy, 2nd September 1891, Minnie Evelyn Gratiaen, born 16th September 1871, daughter of Edward Stork Gratiaen, Civil Medical Department, and Sophia Jane Vander Smagt. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 20 and Vol. XXVIII, page 86). He had by her—

- 1 Herman Frederick Edward, Barrister-at-Law, born 15th June 1892.
- 2 Albert Eric, born 16th July 1894.
- 3 James born 19th October 1895, died 18th May 1917.
- 4 Minette, born 7th April 1897, married in Holy Trinity Church, Nuwara Eliya, 5th January 1924, Walvin Gerald Mack, Visiting Agent and Valuator, Lieutenant Colonel in the Ceylon Light Infantry, O.B.E., (Military Division) born 8th May 1897, son of Theodore Dornhorst Mack, Proctor and Notary Public, and Joseline Piiscilla Daniels. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVIII page 51, and Vol. XXXVIII, pages 143 and 147).
- 5 Lindsay Vernon, Barrister-at-Law, born 2nd August 1899.
- 6 Verna Evelyn, born 15th November 1900, married Frederick Christopher William Van Geyzel, Advocate, born 30th May 1901, son of Colvin Thomas Vangeeyzel, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), and Antoinette Aileen Beling. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VII, page 136, and Vol. X, page 77).
- 7 Ronald, born 2nd March 1902, died 19th September 1902.

XXVIII

Albert Edward Loos, born 8th November 1875, married in England, 16th April 1904, Lottie Muille, and he had by her—

- 1 Frederick Ian Leslie, born 6th February 1905.

XXIX

Hector Rienzi Loos, born 24th December 1876, married in England, 18th January 1898, Aimee Evelyn Godfrey, and he had by her—

- 1 Norah Mary Isabel, born 19th August 1900.

XXX

Ernest Robertson Loos, L.M.S. (Ceylon), Assistant Medical Officer of Health, Colombo Municipality, born 3rd August 1866, died 21st November 1946, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 27th December 1909, Violet Maud de Hoedt, born 24th January 1878, daughter of Frederick James de Hoedt and Alice Lucretia Vander Straaten. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 181). He had by her—

- 1 Ernestine Viola, born 13th October 1910, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 4th July 1936, Leonard Victor Oswald Jonklaas, Customs Officer, born 5th November 1904, son of Henry Oswald Jonklaas, Forest Officer, and Athelind Victoria Altendorff. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 208, and Vol. XXXIII, page 103).
- 2 Frederick Robertson, A.M.I.E.E., M.I.M.T., Branch Service Manager, Ford Motor Company of India, Limited, born 16th February 1912, married in the Methodist Church, Wellawatte, 26th December 1945, Marjorie Beryl Poulier, A.T.C.L., L.T.C.L., born 11th May 1911, daughter of Evan Walwin Poulier and Harriet Emelia Bartholomeusz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 25).

XXXI

Vivian Albert Loos, Accountant, Railway Extensions, born 21st October 1868, died 27th January 1949, married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, 28th December 1898, Helen Gertrude Johnson, born 24th February 1872, died 3rd March 1934, daughter of Charles John Johnson and Matilda Abigail Christoffelsz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 15). He had by her—

- 1 Estelle Vivienne, born 28th February 1900.
- 2 Louise Marion, born 21st February 1905.

XXXII

Percival Robert Loos, born 17th June 1875, died 18th April 1913, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 18th December 1907, Beatrice Evelyn Koch, born 3rd April 1881 daughter of Cecil Theodore Koch and Evelyn Harriet Foenander. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. X, page 184, and Vol. XXXVIII, page 94). He had by her—

- 1 Bianca Evelyn, born 14th October 1908, married in Christ Church, Galle Face, Colombo, 28th June 1941, William Llewellyn, St. Maurice Nagel, A.M.I.E.E., Engineer in the Department of Government Electrical Undertakings, born 5th October 1903, son of James William Nagel and Stella Margaret de Silva.
- 2 Veronica Beatrice, born 30th December 1911, married in St. Michael's and All Angels' Church, Colombo, 26th January 1936, Albert William Wakeford, born 1st November 1908, son of Wilhelm William Ludwig Wakeford and Emma Rhoda Nance.

XXXIII

Guy Errol Loos, District Engineer, Public Works Department, born 18th May 1877, died 26th August 1941, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 4th April 1904, Eleanor Lucretia de

Hoedt, born 12th November 1879, daughter of Frederick James de Hoedt and Alice Lucretia Vander Straaten. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIII, page 161). He had by her—

- 1 Frederick Errol, who follows under XLII.
- 2 Leonard Gordon, who follows under XLIII.
- 3 Alice Eleanor, born 18th September 1912, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 6th June 1935, Lester Drogo Cameron Austin, L.M.S. (Ceylon), F.R.C.S. (Eng.), Civil Medical Department, born 17th October 1910, son of Lester Cameron Austin and Ethel Elfreda Nicolle.

XXXIV

Frank Eric Loos, J.P., Accountant, Civil Medical Department, born 11th July 1877, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 11th June 1910, Constance Estelle Brechman Toussaint, born 21st December 1885, daughter of William Brechman Toussaint, Superintendent of Mails, and Minnie Elizabeth de Hoedt. (D.B.U. Journal Vol. IV, page 40). He had by her—

- 1 Frank Harold, who follows under XLIV.
- 2 Doreen Estelle, born 24th January 1913, married in St. Peter's Church, Colombo, 18th February 1939, Fredrick Lucien Poulter, Proctor, born 2nd June 1910, son of Lucien Godfrey Poulter, J.P., U.M., Proctor, and Frederica Louise Anthonisz. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXIV, page 25).
- 3 Neil Eric, who follows under XLV.

XXXV

William Theodore Loos, I.S.O., J.P., C.C.S., born 9th May 1885, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 26th June 1920, Mirabel Speldewinde, born 23rd March 1900, daughter of Henry Arthur Victor Speldewinde and Josephine Cecilia Nancy Matthysz. (D.B.U. Journal Vol. XXXIII, page 71). He had by her—

- 1 Emile Theodore, who follows under XLVI.
- 2 Terence, born 24th April 1923, died 6th June 1925.

XXXVI

Andrew Wilhelm Loos, born 22nd January 1888, married:

- (a) In All Saints' Church, Borella, 11th April 1919, Augusta Helen Berenger, born 6th January 1897, died 5th March 1926, daughter of Edward James Berenger and Augusta Hops de Silva.
- (b) In Holy Cross Church, Kalutara, 26th December 1927, Muriel Blanche Cook.

Of the first marriage, he had—

- 1 Audrey Wilmar, born 18th May 1919.
- 2 Isabel Helen Marguerite, born 19th August 1920.
- 3 Andrew Benjamin, born 1st March 1922.

- 4 Rachel Terese, born 15th December 1924.
- 5 Thelma Mary, born 24th January 1926, Of the second marriage, he had—
- 6 Colin Brian Anthony, born 25th March 1929.
- 7 Aubrey Mark, born 26th July 1930.
- 8 Carmen Marguerite, born 13th March 1934.
- 9 Cynthia Maureen, born 10th June 1940.
- 10 Trevor Percival Stephen, born 19th July 1944.

XXXVII

Frederick Richard Percival Loos, Chief Clerk, Duncum, Watkins Ford & Co., born 12th December 1888, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, 22nd July 1906, Frances Laura Herft, born 27th January 1881, daughter of Vincent Henry Herft and Charlotte Sophia Loos, referred to in XIV, 1, supra. He had by her—

- 1 Cecil Percival, who follows under XLVII.
- 2 Muriel Iris, born 26th April 1909, married in St. Paul's Church, Kynsey Road, Colombo, 11th June 1932, John Stanley de Run, born 3rd December 1905, son of John Thomas de Run and Clara Georgiana Arendtsz.
- 3 Errol Vere, born 7th April 1912, died 12th July 1912.
- 4 Earle Vere, born 12th August 1913.
- 5 Ileen Marjorie, born 17th July 1916.
- 6 Sam Royce, born 17th July 1918, married in St. Philip Neri's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 10th April 1947, Annette Marguerite Holmes, born 10th June 1930.
- 7 Erma Iris, born 11th July 1921, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Regent Street, Colombo, 21st April 1945, Clarence Oswald Jansz, born 26th June 1915, son of Basil Edward Jansz and Daisy Charlotte Balthazar.

XXXVIII

Bertie Cecil Loos, born 1st August 1885, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 8th September 1910, Sylvia Matilda Loos, referred to in XXII, 3, supra. He had by her—

- 1 Barclay Cecil, who follows under XLVIII.
- 2 St. Elmo Cecil, born 19th April 1914, died 20 April 1919.
- 3 Inez Cecil, born 13th March 1916, married in All Saints' Church, Borella, 30th December 1936, Edward Noel Ohlmus, born 5th December 1904, son of Edward Haddon Ohlmus, L.R.C.P. & S. (Edin.), L.F.P. & S. (Glas.), and Ethel Winifred Rodrigue. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVIII, pages 175 and 178.
- 4 Herbert Cecil, born 9th September 1918.
- 5 Errol Cecil, who follows under XLIX.
- 6 Douglas Cecil, born 25th May 1922, died 10th March 1933.

- 7 Beryl Cecil, born 26th November 1923, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 26th December 1942, Robert Francis Fraser Eadie, Flight Sergeant in the Royal Air Force.
- 8 Therese Cecil, born 12th April 1926.
- 9 Kenneth Cecil, born 16th February 1929.
- 10 George Cecil, born 15th May 1933.

XXXIX

Huston Donald Loos, born 17th October 1870, died 14th December 1944, married in St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, 10th December 1903. Theodora Margaret MacCarthy, born 16th October 1884, died 9th July 1943. He had by her—

- 1 Leslie Donald, born 16th September 1904, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 21st August 1948, Phyllis May Murphy Ruston.
- 2 Constance Rosamond Aileen, born 8th March 1906, died 20th May 1908.
- 3 Granville Alison, who follows under L.
- 4 Dudley Grant, born 27th December 1909, died 27th January 1911.
- 5 Lionel Victor, born 13th September 1911.
- 6 Lucien Edgar MacCarthy, born 31st July 1915, died 6th December 1942.

XL

Allan Grant Blackett Loos, born 29th September 1874, died 12th June 1923, married Violet Saggat, died 12th July 1919, and he had by her—

- 1 Percival, born 26th June 1907.
- 2 Frederick, born 29th July 1911.

XLI

Arthur Alison Loos, born 30th September 1876, married in St. Matthew's Church, Dematagoda, 27th April 1905, Winifred Margaret Lamont, born 25th June 1883, daughter of George William Lamont and Alice Ann Moss. He had by her—

- 1 Sylvie Delicia, born 3rd February 1906, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 15th August 1938, Alfred Douglas Baptist, born 14th April 1903, son of Alfred Jacob Albert Baptist and Ellen Sophia Faber.
- 2 Arthur Lorenz, who follows under LI.
- 3 Esme Gwendoline, born 11th May 1909.
- 4 Clive Alison, who follows under LII.
- 5 Doreen Winifred, born 3rd April 1920, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 17th October 1942, Henry Irwin Wanigasakera.
- 6 Donald Eustace, born 3rd February 1943.

XLII

Frederick Errol Loos, Inspector in the Public Works Department, born 26th December 1904, married in St. Mary's Church, Bambalapitiya, 28th December 1931, Isobel Pereira, born 31st January 1913, died 12th September 1947, daughter of John Pereira and Dorothea Henrietta Collette. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXX; page 68). He had by her—

- 1 Moira Adele, born 6th October 1934.
- 2 Veronica, born and died 12th September 1945.

XLIII

Leonard Gordon Loos, born 2nd February 1906, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 18th December 1937, Ruth Kathleen Maartensz, born 14th December 1908, daughter of Alexander Godlieb Maartensz and Edith Isabel Pereira. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXIII, page 42). He had by her—

- 1 Kathleen Dawne, born 15th May 1940.

XLIV

Frank Harold Loos, Aeronautical Ground Engineer, born 7th August 1911, married in Northampton, England, 21st September 1939, Sylvia Ida Palmer of Luton in Bedfordshire. He had by her—

- 1 Sandra Estelle, born 22nd September 1940.
- 2 Geoffrey Harold, born 8th November 1944.
- 3 Fiona Alison, born 25th March 1949.

XLV

Neil Eric Loos, M.B.B.S. (Ceylon), Civil Medical Department, Captain in the Ceylon Medical Corps, born 3rd December 1919, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 27th April 1946, Esme Maude Jansz, born 23rd August 1927, daughter of Paul Cassius Jansz, Advocate, and Esme Ruth Koelman. He had by her—

- 1 Maude Marina, born 26th April 1947.
- 2 Esme Lana, born 21st September 1948.

XLVI

Emile Theodore Loos, B.A. (Hons.), London, Assistant Assessor, Income Tax Department, born 29th June 1921, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendael, 29th March 1948, Corinne Blanche Joseph, born 22nd October 1927, daughter of Louis Neil Joseph and Freda Fernando. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XII, page 26) He had by her—

- 1 Emile Terence, born 19th March 1949.

XLVII

Cecil Percival Loos, Head Guard, Ceylon Government Railway, born 16th November 1907, married in the Registrar's Office, Dehiwala, 8th April 1935, Ann Clarice Edith Ruth Schumacher, born 26th December 1910, daughter of James Walter Schumacher and Freda Hazel Clarice Heyzer. He had by her—

- 1 Anita Mae, born 29th September 1935.
- 2 Carline Hazel, born 24th March 1940.

XLVIII

Barclay Cecil Loos, born 23rd May 1912, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Bambalapitiya, 23rd December 1939, Louise Joseph, born 10th August 1915, daughter of Cyril Louis Joseph, Advocate and Melisa Theodora de Kretser. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XII, page 28). He had by her—

- 1 Roger Cecil, born 4th February 1941.
- 2 Patrick Robert, born 17th January 1946.

XLIX

Errol Cecil Loos, born 1st May 1920, married in St. Mary's Cathedral, Galle, 26th December 1947, Joan Elizabeth Buultjens, born 24th September 1920, daughter of Oscar Walwin Buultjens and Lottie Balziel Don. He had by her—

- 1 Adrian Anthony, born 20th August 1948.

L

Granville Alison Loos, Driver, Ceylon Government Railway, born 10th June 1907, died 21st July 1939, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Galle, 11th June 1932, Zena Dorinne Wittensleger, born 4th August 1908, daughter of Allanson Rupert Wittensleger, Chief Inspector of Police, and Esther Alberta Jansz. He had by her—

- 1 Granville Lovell, born 14th September 1933.

LI

Arthur Lorenz Loos, B.Sc. (Lond.), Assistant Commissioner of Excise, born 30th March 1908, married in St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya, 14th September 1935, Edith Thekla Arndt Felsing, born 11th November 1911, daughter of Guy Spencer Felsing, Proctor, and Edith Mary Arndt. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 101, and Vol. XXVIII, page 129). He had by her—

- 1 Lorraine Thekla, born 31st July 1936.
- 2 Michael Lorenz, born 30th October 1940.

LII

Clive Alison Loos, born 21st April 1911, married in Christ Church, Kurunegalle, 29th December 1935, Dorothy Evelyn Millicent Daniels, born 17th November 1903, daughter of Ernest Wilfred Crofton Daniels, Surveyor, and Millicent Lena Lorenz Andree. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVIII, page 52). He had by her

- 1 Jenifer Millicent, born 27th September 1936.
- 2 Pete Alison, born 27th June 1944.

Notes: (1). There is a tombstone with an inscription in Dutch in the Burial Ground, Pettah, Colombo, over the grave of Jacob Pietersz Loos, referred to under I.

- (2) Julius Johannes Appelboom and Johanna Sophia Spech referred to under IV, 5, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, on 17th June 1787. The latter was

widow of Fredrik Bartels of Wezer, whom she married in the same church on 27th April 1778.

- (3) The Governor-General of the Netherlands possession in the East Indies remitted in 1846 to the Government of Ceylon a donation for the relief of widows and orphans of servants of the late Dutch Government. A Government notification dated 17th July 1847, gives a list of persons whose claims were considered and showing the proportion allotted to each. Among the recipients were the following:
 - (a) Johanna Elisabeth, widow of Harmanus Loos, referred to under IV, 6 and VII.
 - (b) Adriana Cecilia Johanna, daughter of Harmanus Loos, referred to under IV, 7.
 - (c) Johanna Jacoba, daughter of Johannes Jacobus Loos, referred to under V, 5.
 - (d) Charlotta Gertruida, daughter of Peter Loos, referred to under VI, 2.
- (4) Johan Godlieb Bertram and Gertruida Cornelia Erfson, referred to under IX, married in the Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal, on 16th September 1798. The former was widower of Maria Philippina Kunst, whom he married on 1st February 1795, and the latter was widow of Jan Fredrik Ruhne. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. IX page 72).
- (5) Reverend Jurgen Gualterus Kats, referred to under XIII, was in charge of the Wesleyan Methodist Church at Trincomalee, where his wife, Elizabeth, died on 21st January 1831. To her memory, there is a mural tablet in the Methodist Church at Trincomalee. On 29th May 1843, Jurgen Gualterus Kats was ordained Deacon of the Anglican Church by Dr. Spencer, Bishop of Madras, and on 17th November 1844, he was ordained Priest. He was Colonial Chaplain in charge of St. Paul's Church, Pettah, Colombo, from 26th September 1843 succeeding Reverend Johan Carel Arndt. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 100). He was an extempore and able preacher, and it is said that during his time the number of persons at the services in Portuguese amounted to over 400, and frequently more. In his days, St. Paul's Church was resorted to by persons of all nationalities. As widower, he married in Holy Trinity Church, Colombo, on 14th October 1847, Arabella Petronella Gratiaen. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. VI, page 19). He died on 25th January 1864, and was buried in St. Paul's Burial Ground at Wolvendaal, where there is a monument in his memory. (Lewis on "Tombstones and Monuments in Ceylon," pages 101 and 278).
- (6) By the Last Will of Isabel Amelia Loos, referred to under XVII, (b), a sum of Rupees Five Thousand was bequeathed to the Dutch Burger Union for use in connection with the

social work of the Union. The amount was received in 1937 and deposited in the Ceylon Savings Bank. The interest derived is being paid in to the Social Service Fund. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXVI, pages 35 and 160).

- (7) George Cecil Bertram Loos, referred to under XVII, 13, served in the Great War, 1914—1918, and held the rank of Lieutenant in the 3rd Worcestershire Regiment. He fell in action on 12th March 1915 at Lindenbock. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 5).
- (8) Frederick Christian Loos, referred to under XXVI, retired from the Government Service in 1921, and went to England with his wife in 1926 to live there. Throughout the World War, 1939—1945, they were in London and witnessed every phase of the Battle of Britain, during which they once spent ten days and ten nights in an air-raid shelter when the German blitz in that city was at its height. They found living in London very difficult, owing to acute food shortage etc., and decided to return to Ceylon which they did early in 1947.
- (9) In the re-constitution of the Legislative Council 1924 the Burgher Community alone was entitled to return two Elected Members. In addition, the Burghers were assigned a nominated seat, which went to Herman Albert Loos, referred to under XXVII. In the contest for elected seats, Nathaniel John Martin and George Alfred Henry Wille were returned. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XXXVII, pages 18 and 66).
- (10) Herman Frederick Edward Loos, Albert Eric Loos and James Loos, sons of Herman Albert Loos, referred to under XXVII, served in the Great War, 1914—1918. The first named was Lieutenant in the Royal Field Artillery, while the second and third enlisted in the Australian Army. James Loos was killed in action on 18th May 1917. (D.B.U. Journal, Vol. XIV, page 5).



NEWS AND NOTES

Honours. We are very pleased to record the honour of C.M.G. conferred on Mr. L. L. Hunter, Government Agent of the Western Province. He joined the Civil Service in 1914 and held several important appointments, when he retired on account of ill-health in 1936. On recovering his health in 1942, he was appointed Additional Director of Agriculture. This was followed by his appointment as Additional Land Commissioner in 1944 and as Government Agent, Western Province, in 1948. During his service he was responsible for a great deal of colonization work in the North-Central Province, and played a great part in the work of food production in war time. He takes a lively interest in social work and is President of the Colombo Friend-in-Need Society. We look forward to his receiving higher honours.

Items of Interest from Proceedings of General Committee Meeting held on 18th January, 1949:—(1) On behalf of the Committee Mr. D. V. Altendorff congratulated the President, Dr. V. R. Schokman, on his appointment as a Member of the House of Representatives. (2) Votes of congratulations were passed on the honours conferred on Mr. A. E. Christoffels, C.M.G., and Mr. L. E. Blazé, C.B.E.

15th February, 1949:—(1) A vote of condolence was passed on the death of Mr. Vivian Loos. (2) Messrs. A. V. E. Felsing and C. H. L. Bartholomeusz, were elected members of the Union. (3) The President informed the meeting that the time had now come when a start should be made on building the St. Nicolaas' Home, the amount available being Rs. 82,314. It was suggested that the Arndt Trust Fund (Rs. 2,000) and the Loos Legacy (Rs. 7,000) be utilised for the purpose. The President mentioned the possibility of utilizing the Dr. Donald Schokman Legacy of Rs. 10,000 when realised. (4) It was decided to increase the subscription rates for Colombo members from Rs. 2 to Rs. 3. (5) A letter from Mr. D. V. Altendorff was tabled regarding the proposing and seconding of applications for membership, and it was decided to file the letter of record.

15th March, 1949:—(1) It was decided to transfer Rs. 2,000 from the Arndt Trust Fund and the Loos Legacy of Rs. 7,000 from the Social Service Fund to the Nicolaas' Home Fund, and to affix suitably worded plaques to the Building to indicate special donations to the Union. (2) The resignation of Mr. E. J. de Kretser was accepted with regret.

5th April, 1949:—(1) Votes of condolence were passed on the death of Lt. Commander C. H. Ohlmus and Mr. L. G. Vollenhoven. (2) The President tabled the plan of the St. Nicolaas' Home, which had been passed by the Urban Council, Dehiwala.