# Journal of the Dutch Burgher Union of Ceylon

"Eendracht Maakt Macht"

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# **Editor's Notes**

This Journal appears after a lapse of three years. In order to ensure the unbroken sequence of the production of their Journal, members are kindly requested to contribute articles of special or general interest. We have included several up-dated genealogical tables in this number.

A new clause was written into the Constitution of the Dutch Burgher Union of Ceylon, when at the eighty-seventh Annual General meeting held on 23-11-95, the office of Deputy President was established. The President, Mr. Harold Speldewinde, proposed the motion which was seconded by Mrs. Babs Speldwinde. Mr. Vernon Muller, who had already served as Honorary Secretary for sixteen years, had the honour of being unanimously elected Deputy President of the Union.

In 1996, major repairs to the Club House, chiefly the upstairs rooms and ceiling, were undertaken at considerable expense. This project was funded through the generosity of Dr. Evert Jongens, Director of Stichting Netherland -Sri Lanka, and some of his friends in Holland. At the same time, on the initiative of the former Dutch Ambassador to Sri Lanka, H.E. Bastiaan Korner, the painting by Mr. C.L. Beling which was presented to the Union by the Royal Netherlands Navy in 1944, was restored, as was the Union's Coat- of Arms. The cost was borne by the cultural fund of the Dutch Embassy. Mr. Jan Daman Willems furnished additional information for the article on V.O.C. silver. We thank these gentlemen for their help and interest in the well- being of our Union.

Next year will see the 90th Anniversary of the founding of the D.B.U. This will certainly be a landmark in the history of our Institution. It calls for a celebration in which every member and his family should be proud to participate. No doubt the President and his Committee will spare no pains to mark the occasion in a fitting manner, but any suggestions from members will be welcome.

# SHINING SILVER INTHE HAGUE

Some years ago, while holidaying in the Hague, I was taken by a friend to the Municipal Museum, where a wonderful exhibition of the Dutch East India Company's silver was being held. It was a veritable journey back to the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, the colonial period of Dutch history. I found the exhibition especially interesting since I knew nothing about the Dutch and Eastern silversmiths who had worked in Batavia at that time.

From the introductory paragraphs in the catalogue, I learnt that in the first period after the Company was established in Batavia in 1619, the Dutch brought in craftsmen from India and Ceylon. These men were really bought slaves called "Tayolen". They had their own residential quarters by the Tayolen canal, and were better treated than the normal slaves, being paid with rice, clothing and money. Under them were capable artisans called "trade slaves". Coming from an area where fine arts such as wood and ivory carving and inlay work had reached a high standard, their talents were used to advantage by the practical Dutch. The beautiful articles turned out gained such widespread fame, that in 1669, the king of Siam sent at his own expense, some of his artisans for training in Batavia.

However, not all the art work came from the Company. On leaving its service, the free Dutch citizens who lived in their own quarters in the busy workplaces, started businesses in smaller studios, also employing salves. They provided so much competition, that the Company had to try hard to attract the best artisans.

In the Museun show- cases were displayed silver jugs, ewers, basins, dishes, betel cups and boxes, wine goblets, serving trays, plates and table silver. I remember some elaborately-decorated lobed saucers, rose water sprinklers and spittoons. While each of these items was impressive by reason of its

intrinsic richness, some told a little bit of domestic history as well. Examples of the latter type were memorial plates and trays whose inscriptions referred to the death of an important man - Michiel Westpalm - or that of the young daughter of Stephanus Versluis - Cornelia Anthonia Versluis aged 7 years. The Tayolen probably made to order-de commande - the 3 trays which had links with people in Ceylon and which therefore, particularly interested me. These were:

- (1) The 25 th anniversary gift tray of John Appelton and Maria Andriesz. (Look over leaf for photograph & description)
- (2) The memorial tray of Anna Roderica Bierens, wife of Jan van de Hecke, born in Jaffna 8.12.1716 and died in Batavia 29.5.1746
- (3) The 25th anniversary commemoration plate of Joan Volkaart Franchimont and Maria Catherina Galikan, who were married in Ceylon on 22.4.1731.

Note: There was very little Ceylon VOC silver, Most of the church silver was ordered from Batavia, and much of it was melted down and re-used, possibly by local silversmiths.

# Tray.

The border is decorated with the well-Known Regency design of shell motifs and leaves. More similar trays exist. The rich detailing of the combined leaf and shell pattern is in the style of the famous silversmith Elias Meiszner, who worked in Batavia from 1745-176, as a master craftsman. The inscription which was engraved Sater records among others, the names of a Dutch family, Andriesz who in 1836, in Colombo, celebrated the 25th wedding anniversary of John Appelton and Anna Maria Andriesz. The inscription which is in English reads:

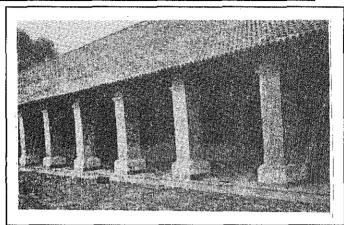
♠ A token of affection and regard to John Appelton and his wife Ana Maria Andriesz on the 25th Anniversary of their Nuptials from William Andrew Franciscus and his wife Petronella Barbara Andriesz, John Boniface Misso and his wife Wilhelmina Andriesz, Johannes Dionysius Andriesz and his wife Petronella Louisa Passe, Andriesz and John Andriesz Colombo 30th June 1836

This tray was manufactured in the middle of the 18th Century in Batavia and & was later brought to Colombo.



# The dream of a passer - by

A view of the Dutch hospital in the Fort showing a verandah with columns typical of Dutch architecture.



have been in this country for some time now and the other day I was walking in Colombo -Fort in the narrow streets behind Ceylinco House, and still had not noticed that there was in that part of the city such an interesting and fine building. I was told it used to be a Dutch hospital many years ago and has just been renovated. I went inside and saw quite a huge place with two big courtyards, one of which is surrounded with lovely arches and columns. The rooms just opposite are big, the ceilings are very high, and the place as a whole is pleasant and spacious.

This building is ideally located right in the heart of the city. All round there are narrow streets and small shops. I suddenly saw myself walking in an old part of Paris or in London around Covent Garden after the renovation. It had the same atmosphere- and then I had a dream, wide awake.

I could imagine more antique shops, other shops selling sarees, local handicrafts and so on, only local products, and small restaurants where one could eat rice and hoppers and "Ambul thiyal", curry and of course drink the best "Ceylon tea" - the real Tea served at the wayside 'kades'.

Inside the Dutch building there could be an Arts Centre where traditional and modern drama could be taught, a classroom for traditional dancing where young choreographers could express their ideas and their talent.

Another part specially for painters could be dedicated to the artists' exhibitions held there regularly. In another section of the building there could be a place for showing good, selected films and also for people to get acquainted with audio - visual techniques.

A library could be opened, displaying books on Sri Lanka emphasizing the culture and the past of the ancient cities. Lectures could also be given on various subjects related to various forms of art.

There could also be a place for showing architectural design: architecture these day is most imoprtant. High - rise buildings are materializing fast everywhere. It would be nice if people could be aware of their city developing harmoniously.

There are very good architects in Sri Lanka who are aware of their roots but not enough people really know of their work. Foreign modernity is at present devastating some beautiful places and taking away all the local charm which can be preserved. Architects could then have a place right in the centre of the city where they could express their ideas.

Then I thought to myself that this centre could be like a small Paris - Beaubourg in Colombo, but better in that it would be smaller and far more intimate, where people from all walks of life would meet and express their talents. This place at the end would be occupied by people who would really deserve its beauty. As for expatriates and tourists, they would have a place where they could meet 'real' local people and get acquainted with the local culture.

Let us imagine that once the Dutch hospital is renovated it could offer all these opportunities. It would then not only develop culture but would also be a place for posterity. It would be left to the people who would occupy such a place to show imagination, care and talent in order to make it successful. What a challenge!

What is most important for any human being is both food for the body and culture for the mind. With both under one roof there would not be any place or time for different competing cultures. Then the door would be wide open for a better understanding. Everyone, I believe, is sensitive to knowledge and beauty.

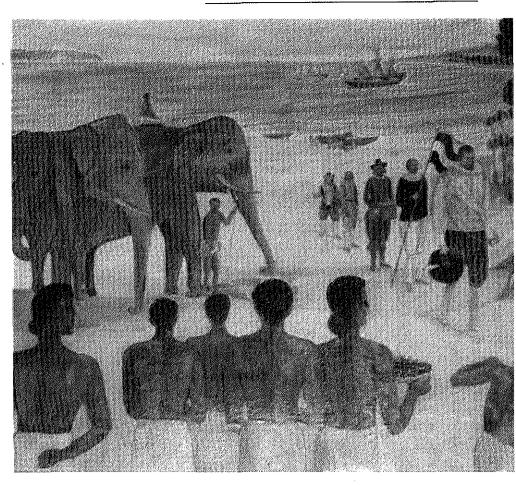
But.....I was just walking by and maybe it was just a dream..........

Twieve years after that passer-by dreamt his dream, some information sent in a newsletter by the Stichting Nederland Sri Lanka (Ceylon), gives a hope that it will be fulfilled before long:-

# Former VOC Hospital.

The largest VOC hospital in Asia, in the Colombo Fort, which ten years ago, was repaired by the Sri Lankan government, and since then has been used as a Police Station, will take on a new role as an Arts Centre from 1998. At the request of the George Keyt Foundation which intends to administer the building, one or more pensioned U.N. experts will advise how to run the project economically. The Centre must function without a Government subsidy.

# Restoration of a Painting



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Extract from a letter written by former Netherlands Ambassador to Sri Janka H.E. Bastiaan Korner, to Vice-Admiral Kroon, Royal Netherlands Navy. Rozendaal 3-.2-97

"You will remember that we corresponded last year, about the restoration of a painting belonging to the Dutch Burgher Union (D.B.U.) in Colombo, Sri Lanka. It was presented in 1944 to the Union by Admiral Helfrich of the Dutch Navy.

That restoration has now been completed (with money from the cultural fund of the Netherlands Embassy), and the painting hangs again in full view, in the D.B.U. Hall. A ceremony to give it special glory took place on October 22nd 1996.

The accompanying photograph of the restored painting shows how interesting and pleasant a work of art it is. It depicts in what a cordial manner Admiral Joris van Spillbergen, the first Dutchman in Ceylon, (Sri Lanka) was received by an official representative of the Kandyan King, in 1602".

# **Historical Notes**

In the seventeenth century, the Dutch became very interested in trading directy with the spice producing countries of South East Asia. To this end, the Dutch East India Company (V.O.C.) was established. Many trading ventures were embarked upon, including that of Balthazar de Moucheron, a merchant, who fitted out an expedition of three ships - the shaep, the Ram and the Lamunder the command of Admiral Joris van Spilbergen. Since de Moucheron was a friend of the Prince of Orange, he was able to obtain a letter from him, addressed to the King of kandy, Vimala Dharma Suriya, pormising Dutch help to drive the portuguese out of Ceylon.

According to the journal kept by one of Spilbergen's officers, the 3 ships set sail from vere harbour on the 5th of May 1601. After many adventures, and the loss of contact with one of the vessels, the party reached its destination, Batticaloa, on the thirty-first of May 1602. Here, the Admiral was welcomed by the local chief's representatives, and settled down to await the royal invitation to Kandy. After a month's delay, the emissaries who were sent ahead to the King returned with the expected royal summons. They were accompanied by 2 of the King's agents, both portuguese deserters. Three days later, Spilbergen left for kandy, with 10 compatriots, 2of whom were musicians, and numerous gifts. The Wanniya of Batticaloa supplied elephants and palanquins for the journey.

Spilbergen and his party, were warmly reseived by Vimala Dharamasuriya. They left Kandy after a 5-day stay laden with gifts, reaching Batticaloa. On July 22nd. The successful visit ended when Spilbergen sailed away from the island on Spetember 2nd 1602.

In the words of the diarist. We departed from the island of Ceylon where our General had run no small peril, both with the king (local chief) of Matecalo, who is a contributory of the portuguese, as also in the journey to kandy: the far road and the great fatigue, but all was done in order to follow out the orders of the owners and in hope of our landing.

Extracts from the speech delivered by the Hon, Lakshman Kadirgamar,

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Sri Lanka,
at the Farewell Dinner Accorded by him to

H.E. Bastiaan Korner, Ambassador of the

Netherlands, in Colombo on 31st October 1996.

#### Your Excellencies, Hon. Ministers, Ladies and Gentlemen,

This year 1996, marks the bicentennial anniversary of the departure of the Dutch administration from Ceylon in 1796. 200 years is indeed a long time. But it is a remarkable tribute to the Netherlands that the influence of that 150 year period when the Dutch were here has remained. That influence lingers in many areas of our national life. It is still very strong in some areas. All of you, including members of the diplomatic corps who are here only for a few yers know that there are many vivid monuments buildings & architectural achievements, to the credit of the Dutch in many parts of Sri Lanka. There are two great living legacies of the Dutch period. One is the Roman Dutch law and the other is the Dutch Burgher community, alas not as numerous as they were up to a few decades ago. The Roman Dutch law is a living body of law that exists and applies today, I believe, only in two countries, South Africa and Sri Lanka.

During the British period of our history the Dutch Burgher community played an unparalleled role in the public life of this country. I wish to take this opportunity to pay a tribute to the Dutch Burgher community of Sri lanka through those members of the community who are present here this evening. They are themselves indivdually most worthy representatives of those magnificent people who have gone before them. In literally every walk of life in Sri Lanka the Dutch Burghers made an outstanding contribution.

In doing so they showed that our national life could be enriched, that there is a contribution to be made, by all the citizens of our diverse society if only they look beyond the narrow constraintts of enthnicity. Our public life is studded with the names of judges and lawyers, outstanding doctors, writers, historiansy, socilogists, archaeologists, administrators, teachers and professors, scientists legislators. Present this evening is a lady whose father, Dr. R.L. Brohier was an outstanding representative of that generation of great scholars and writers.

In the field of business and commerce there were giants among them. I am happy to see here this evening a successor to that breed, Mr. Scott Dirckze, who headed a large company in Sri Lanka. There is here this evening the President of the Dutch Burgher Union, Mr. H. Speldewinde, who heads an association to which all those great figures. I was talking about belonged in their time. We have here a representative of the Dutch Reformed church. The Dutch Reformed church has been a great pillar of Sri Lankan life for a long time. The Dutch Burgher community excelled not only in exalted positions in our society. They also performed with great credit, quietly, effectively, in various other areas of our national life -in the police, armed services, in the railways, in sport. Some of the pioneer sportsmen of our country came from that community. Now alas, as I said a moment ago, there are very few Dutch Burghers left in Sri Lanka. They began to melt away, perhaps most markedly, in the decade of the 50s. Their departure has greatly impoverished our public life. Many of them migrated to Australia, others over the decades went to other countries, but in Australia there are a large number of them and there too they are playing a notable role as good, solid citizens.

# DBU commemorates 88th anniversary of Founder's Day

The evening's proceedings commenced with the President, Mr. Harold Speldewinde referring to may 1602 when the first Dutchman, Admiral joris van Spilbergen landed in Batticaloa. A painting of this, which was done by the late mr. C.L. Beiling, who was also the President of the DBU from 1971 to 1972. Was presented to the DBU by Admiral Heifrich at a party held at the DBU on August 30, 1944, in gratitude and appreciation of the assistance rendered by the DBU for the hospitality extended to the Royal Netherlands Navy. he said the restoration of the painting was made possible due to the efforts of Bastiaan Korner, Ambassador for the Netherlands in Sri Lanka. Mr. Speldewinde added that the DBU was greatly indebted to the Ambassador for this. His Excellency then unveiled the painting. In reply to the President he thanked the DBU for the close association it maintainswith the embassy and the people of Holland, and said it gave him great pleasure to have assisted in the restoration of such a valuable painting.

# **Dutch Burgher Union Founder's Day messsage**

In addressing the members on the main event of the day, which was the birthday of Richard Gerald Anthonisz, the President recalled how on January 18, 1908 Richard Gerald Anthonisz went to bed a happy man having achieved his life long ambition of forming a union for the Dutch Burghers. He mentioned that at the opening ceremony in 1908, Dr. W.G. Van Dort had emphasized the magnitude of the task of the committee, and he said that it was only in the distant future we could see the objectives accomplished.

The President went on to say that today we are amongst 103 members and their guests at this 88th commemoration meeting having acomplished the objectives and stronger than even when it was founded. He said that the members appreciated the work done by Richard Gerald Anthonisz, his stalwarts at the time E.H. Vanderwall. J.R. Toussaint and Dr. W.G. Van Dort and those who followed after him in the likes of G.A.H. Willie E.L. Blaze R.L. Spittel and many others after him.

The bastion of the Burghers at 114, Reid Avenue, colombo 4 he said was made possible due to the untiring effort made by W.E. Vandersamaght de Rooy, and we as members who have always been proud of this home have greater pride today after the transormation that has taken place, once again through the generosity of the people of Holland through the good office of Mr. Event Jongens He said that his objective through his 7 years as President was at last accomplished.

He spoke of Mr. Willie as being a man of dignity which was held in high esteem by all communities. He always believed that Ceylon, now Sri Lanka, was and continues to be the home of the Burghers. The President said that we who are still here also think likwise. Mr. Willie was numbered amongst the great Burghers of the past. Although he did not have the sparkle of a Loernsz or Dornhorst he performed yeoman service to his country, and at one time held 17 important posts as president vice president or chairman in various educational, social, welfare health care and Christian Associations, Despite this he was never flippant and could not be even if he tried to

Mr. Speldewitde then referred to Mr. Blaze who founded Kingswood, Kandy with 11students and nurtured it for 32 years. Today it is one of the leading colleges in Kandy. His dedication to Kingswood did not however obscure his devotion to the DBU. The Union took great pride in the fact that in 1929 he was conferred with the OBE and CBE honours.

The President also mentioned that the late DR. R.L. Spittel had made one of the most tangible contributions for the well being of the old and infirm of the community, in donating the land that houses St. Nikolaas' Home. He said that we must not forget the services rendered by Mr. Durand Altndorf in complifing the genealogy of the Dutch Burgher families. The President concluding called upon the senior members to ensure that their childern and grand children contnued to support the Institution, as we are now at the cross roads since the old order is fading away, and it is upto the younger generation to see us into the 21 st century. He said his ambition of imporoving the conditions at the DBU had been achieved and hopes that 50 years from now they can look back with gratitude for what had done to keep them together.

The anniversary cake was cut by Mrs. Babs Speldewind a buffet dinner and a time of fellowship followed.

Atoast was proposed to the memory of Richard Gerald Anthonisz who founded the DBU, W.E. Vandersmaght de Rooy who made it possible for the home of the DBU to be built and to Mr. Bastiaan Korner, the chief guest that evening.

# Farewell to the Netherlands Ambassador

The third event of the evening was the fare well to Mr. Bastiaan, Korner, who incidentally was the first Ambassador to become an Honorary to become an Honorary Member of the DBU for the keen interest in the activities of the DBU thorughout his term of office. He memtioned that our loss would be the gain of the country to which he will be next posted, as not only where the Burghers are concerned, but in every other activity which His Excellency participated, he hald done a great deal for the people of Sri Lanka.

Mrs. Anthea Muller the past social Secretary who served for 20 years presented the Ambassador with a gift. His Excellency repllying said that he had been greatly interested in the DBU as he found that it was one place where much fellowship among the Burgher community was enjoyed. He spoke on the extraordinary services rendered by Mr. Speldewinde and said he always spent a very pleasnt evening among the members. He was sad to leave Sri Lanka and the fact that he will not be able to fellowship with the members pf the DBU. He will however, continue his interest in the activities of the DBU even though it will be DBU another century of unity and success.

# ADDITIONS TO THE ARNOT FAMILY

# Contiuned from DBU Journal Vol. No. 49

Dr. George Herbert Arndt born 23.3.1902 Married on 30.1.1929 Verena Laura Corinne Ephraums.

# He had by her:

- 1. George Arthur Richard born 22.10.1929
- 2. Christopher Louis born 26.9,1931
- Gillian Cecile born 21.10.1941.
- George Arthur Richard Arndt married on 4.4. 1959 at St. Andrews Scots Kirk Colombo. Jeanette Ethel Austin born 30.3.1941 Daughter of Dr. Lester Drogo Cameron Austin and Alice Eleanor Loos. He had by her:
  - Arlene Therese born 8.1.1961. Married 24.8.1984 Ivan Frederick Budd Jansze born 20.11.1944 died 18.6.1994 son of Ivan Budd Jansze and Dorrit Drieberg.
  - Sandra Laura born 2.1.1963.
     Married on 2.4. 1988 at St. Columba's Church, Perth, W.A.
     John Mathew Stodart born 19.3.53
     son of John Stodart and Jacqueline Flanagan.
  - Stuart George Alistair born 14.12.1963 Married 7.4.1990 at Christ Church Claremont WA, Jayane Marian Stainton born 2.4.1969 daughter of George Stainton and Mary Williams He had by her.
     Emily Marian born 9.1.1994

# **ADDITIONS TO THE AUSTIN FAMILY Continued from DBU Journal Vol. No. 43**

Dr. Lester Drogo Cameron Austin - born 17.10 1910 Died 28.6.1991

Married on 6.6.1935 at Dutch Reformed Church, Bambamapitiya. Alice Eleanor Loos.

#### He had by her:

- 1. Carole Myrna born 18.3.1937. Married on 19.2.1955 Naomal Sucil Dias born 17.2.1934, son of Cecil Dias and Monica de Soysa.
- Jeanette Ethel born 30.3.1941. Married on 4.4.1959 at St. Andrews Scots Kirk, Colombo, George Arthur Richard Arndt born 22.10.1929 son of Dr. George Herbert Arndt and Verena Laura Corrinne Ephraums
- 3. Nigel Drogo Cameron born 2.4.1946 Married on 15.12.1971 Dawn Shalini Chanmugam . He had by her:
  - 1. Gary Nigel Drogo born 5.3.1974
  - 2. Chantal Judith born 26.2.1976.

# ADDITION TO THE GENEALOGY OF THE BARTHOLOMEUSZ FAMILY VOL - 48 SECTION 1 - 54

George Lorensz Bartholomeusz, son of George Almyer Bartholomeusz and Dulcie Maud, married Kathleen Ruth Moira Speldewinde, daughter of Fredrick Christopher Allan Spelde wind, DBU Journal Volume 28 page 173 and Francis Ohlmus Ebert at Christ Church Cathedral Mutwal on 10.1.1958

#### He had by her-

- David Lorensz Bartholomeusz born 26/10/59
- 2. Anthony Nigel Bartholomeusz born 7/10/60
- 3. Jeremy Christopher Bartholomeusz born 23/9/64
- 4. Kathleen Denise Bartholomeusz born 26/8/70

# Additions to the Beling Family's Genealogy continued from the D.B.U. Journal Vol: xxx111 - January 1944 N0.3

Francis James Beling born 21st March 1924. Died 24th September 1984 married in the church of Saint Paul Milagiriya, Colombo on 6th May 1950, Christine Eileen Speldewinde - Born 8th April 1926, daughter of Frederick Peter Harris Speldewinde - Born 12th December 1896 and Eileen Edna Wille born 4th April 1906, daught er of John Benjamin and Elsie Viva Mc carthy Heyzer (D.B.U. Journal, Vol: XXVI page 28)

# He had by her:

- Clarissa Beling born 22nd January 1952. married in St. Michael and all Angels' Church, Polwatta - Colombo 3 on 15th June 1973 Geoffrey Richard Lloyd Vanden Driesen, bor n 1st September 1937 son of Vernon Neil Vanden Driesen and Doris Joseph.
- 2) Francis James Beling, born 18th Novermber 1954, married at West Texas State University Chapel, Texas State University Chapel, Texas, on 17th April 1981, Martha Anne Kropka, born 4th July 1960, daughter of Leo Kropka and Lois Wilson, U.S.A.

# He had by her:

Francis James Beling, born 14th September 1985.

- Christine Eve Beling, born 15th November 1956. Married in St. Peter's church, Murrumbeena, Melbourne, Australia on 20th April 1987. Herbert Swan, born 16th November 1953, died in Melbourne, date not known.
- William Ward Beling, born 3rd September, 1960, married on 13th July 1989 at the district Registrar's Office, Colombo and later on 28th December 1989 at St. Peter's Church, Murummbeena, Melbourne, Australia, to Chhaya Meneka Vairavananthan and Indra Rasamon: Vairavananthan

## He had by her:

- 1) Lahiru James Beling, born 24th September 1993, died on 19th January, 1995.
- 2) Ashwyn William Beling, born 10th December 1995.

# Addition to the Genealogy of the Daniels Family

Vol. XXVIII, Nl. 1 Page 48.

Lucian Augustus Daniels born 29th April 1934 married in St. Anthony's church, Colombo9 on 23rd September 1972, Doreen Elizabeth Meurling. He had by her:-

- 1) Keith Gordon born 25th August 1973
- 2) Karen Anne born 7th June 1976
- 3) Natalie Marion born 5th July 1978

# GENEALOGY OF THE DE KRETSER FAMILY

Carlton Luftus de Kretser born 18th February 1918 DBU Journal XLVII, October 1957 page X, son of Hector Eugene de Kretser born 14th March 1885 died 1st June 1941.

#### His Son

Carlton Loftus DBU Journal Vol.LX December 1982

#### His Children

1. Carlton Luftus Anthony de kretser born 3rd September 1947, married 1975 to Dawn Holsinger at St. mary's Church, Dehiwela.

#### His Children

- (1) Minolla Liza de Kretser, born 26th September 1977
- (2) Shane Anthony Carlton de Kretser born 10th December 1978.
- 2. Cedric Bryan de Kretser born 25th May 1950 married Mariyanne hans Dekker on 19th February 1989 at the Dutch Reformed Church, Dehiwela.

# His Children

Milina Diana Born 20th January 1990

 Roger Rolaston de Kretser born 25th Septmber 1952 married Erika Bischoff of Germany in 1979.

# His Children

Roger Luftus de Kretser born 1980.

Carlyle harris Vanderwest de Kretser, planter born 16th February 1926. (see DBU Journal Vol. XLV11 1957)

# His Children

- Graham Watkin Harris de Kretser, born 17th September 1953, married Loritta Fernando 1981.
- (2) Vaughn de Kretser, born 15.8.1962.

# DE KRETSER FAMILY

De Kretser Irwin Lansbury born 17th. December 1932 married in the Union Church Mill Hill London 20th. December 1958 Anneliese Lachmair daughter of Paul Lachmair and Therese Hartmann, of Germany.

#### He had by her.

- 1. Theresa Janice, born 15th. October 1959
- 2. Janet Gertrude, Hildegarde, born 16th. November 1961
- 3. Walter Harris, born 15th. March 1967

# DE KRETSER FAMILY

Ret - Dr. Bryan de Kretser PHD born 15th Feb. 1918 died 1997 Refer DBU Journal Vol. XIVII Section XIII 1957.

(B) Second marriage to Tilakasiri Ramanayake born 1st April 1943 married 11th Sept. 1966 at St. mary's Church, Nayakakanda, Hendala.

# He had by her

- (1) Pieter Sampatha de Kretser, born 26.6.1967
- (2) Paul Ananda de Kretser, born 2nd February 1971
- (3) Asoka Jayampath de Kretser, born 29.8.1972

Shelton Alister de Kretser D.B.U. Journal XLVIII Vol. Oct. 1957. Please see section LVII.

#### His Children

- (1) Therese Muriel de Kretser born 10.9.1954 Married naline Malagoda 1980.
- (2) Ronald Cedric de Kretser born 30.4.1957. Married 7th July 1986 to Theresa Samarakoon.
- (3) David Patrick de Kretser born 4th June 1961 (Asst. Manager, Pearl Beach Hotel, Beruwela Aitken Spence Co. Ltd) married 25th January. 1992 to Larraine Nadesan, born 4th Sept. 1961, married ar St. Lawrence Church, Wellawatte.

#### His Children

(1) Dilan Jeremiah de Kretser born 7th Sept. 1994.

# The Jansze' Family

Compiled by Vernon & Malcolm Jansze'

#### A Al

Hercules Lourens Jansze' Born about 1746 Married Dutch Reformed Church, Wolvendaal 30.11.1766 Permalina Helena Johanna Rosairo of Samarang:-

- 1. Martinus Johannes bap 20.9.1767
- 2. Johannes Lourens bap 28. 10. 1770 who follows under II
- 3. Arnoldina Dialina bap 1.11.1772
- 4. Engeltina Abigail bap 26.3.1774
- 5. Helena Wilhelmina bap 30.8.1778

#### AII

Johannes Lourens Jansze' bap 28.10.1770 Married 27.10 1792 Elizabeth Jacolyn:-

- 1. Lambartus Diederich Jan bap 27.6.1794
- 2. Johannes Hendrick Born 4.12.1796
- 3. Wilhelmina Celestina Jacoba bap 10.11.1799
- 4. Elizabeth Henrietta Arnoldina bap 18.4.1802
- 5. Adriaan Casparus bap 12.8.1804
- 6. Wilhelmus Gerardus Born 6.2, 1808 who follows under III

#### A III

Wilhelmus Gerardus Jansze' Born 6.2 1808 Married 21.5.1842 Eliza Sophia Van Gunster Born 6.4. 1827 dau Reynier Van Gunster & S.M. Slegers:-

- 1. John Lawrence Born 18.3.1843 who follows under IV
- 2. Sophia Johanna Elizabeth Born 13.2.1846 St. Clement's Church, Puttalam
- George Edwin Born 13.6.1848 St. Clement's Church, Puttalam who follows under V
- 4. Julia Martha Born 25.3.1851 St. Clement's Church, Puttalam
- 5. Matilda Dorothea Born 5.4.1856 Married Christ Church, Kurunegala 20.4.1874 Edwin Charles Pereira, asst. colonial surgeon Born 18.7.1852 s Johannes Justinus Pereira & Johanna Petronella Wilhelmina Gomes.

#### **AIV**

John Lawrence Jansze' Born 18.3.1843 Married St. Stephen's Church, Kandy 6.9.1870 Alice Susan Jansz Born 1850:-

- Mildred Agnes Born 3.3.1880 Married St. Paul's Church, Kandy. 8.4.1901 Willisford Abram Bulner Born 1869 s William Bulner & ......
- 2. William Gerard Born 24.10.1884
- Eoline Mabel Born 13.10.1887

#### ΑV

George Edwin Jansze', registrar of lands Born 13.6.1848 Died 11.1.1912 Married Christ Church, Kurunegala 6.9.1878 Frances Eugenie Sansoni Born 1.12.1857 Died 13.12.1883 dau Thomas James Sansoni & Sophia Ebert:-

- 1. Nevill Budd Born 1.5, 1879 who follows under VI
- 2. Stella Gertrude Bridget Born Badulla 26.7.1880 Died Colombo 9.5.1963
- 3. Lovell Budd Born 7.10.1881 who follows under VII
- Frances Eugenie Born 15.11.1883 Married St. Michael & All Angels Church, Kollupitiya 25.4. 1906 Stephen Claude Pereira Born 26.10.1882 s James William Pereira & Henrietta Wilhelmina Ohlmus.

#### **AVI**

Nevill Budd Jansze', proctor, supreme court & notary public Born 1.5.1879 Died Kandy 26. 5. 1933 Married St. Paul's Church, Kandy 16.4.1906 Hilda May Deane (Minnie) Jonklaas Born 31.3.1880 Died Colombo 31.5.1944 dau Frederick Algernon Jonklaas, accountant; proprietor, Irene Estate Peradeniya & Alice Maude Mary Van Dort

- Neville Eardley Malcolm Budd Born 15.3.1907 St. Paul's Church, Kandy who follows under VIII
- 2 Douglas St. Clive Budd Born 16.2.1909 St. Paul's Church, Kandy who follows under IX
- 3 Vernon Carruthers Budd Born 19.10.1911 St. Paul's Church, Kandy who follows under X
- 4 Ivan St. Quentin Budd Born 20.7.1914 St. Paul's Church, Kandy who follows under XI
- 5 Noel Winston Budd, court stenographer Born 12.12.1915 St. Paul's Church, Kandy

#### AVII

Lovell Budd Jansze' Born 7.10.1881 Died 3. 1955 Married St. Paul's Church, Kandy. 1.4.1907 Edith Evelyn Young Born 20.9.1888 Died Australia 27.8.1969 dau William Mandilton Young & Florina Andree:-

- 1. Leonard Nigel Budd Born 26. 8. 1907 who follows under XII
- 2. Brian Arnold Budd Born 4.10.1908 Died in the war
- 3. Barbara Phyllis Born17.5.1910 St. Andrew's Church, Gampola Died California 20.10 1980 Married Holy Trininity Church, Pussellawa 31.12.1931 Cyril Allen Jansz Born 2.5.1899 Died California, USA 7.6.1994 s Cyril Charles Arnold Jansz, MBE, JP, principal, St. John's College Panadura & Charlotte Amelia Jansz.

- 4. Ian Terence Budd Born 29.10.1911 St. Andrew's Church, Gampola who follows under XIII
- Elise Doreen Born 30.12.1913 St. Andrew's Church, Gampola married St. Andrew's Church, Gampola 19.4.1939 Frederick Henry Malcolm Potger Born 15.8. 1909 Died Australia 7.7.1971 s Malcolm Cyril Francis Potger, JP, UPM & Ethel Elizabeth Keyt.
- 6. Jennifer Ann Born 9.3. 1928 St. Andrew's Church, Gampola Married

#### AVIII

Neville Eardley Malcolm Budd Jansze', BA (Lond), asst. master, St. Thomas' College Mt. Lavinia Born 15.3.1907 Died Colombo 6.5.1950 Married St. Paul's Church, Kandy. 10.4.1937 Thelma Blanche Hall, BA (Lond), principal, St. Paul's School, Milagiriya, Born 19.10.1910 dau John MacGregor Hall, doctor & Hilda Blanche Pompeus:-

 Thelma Carmen Born Colombo 6.4.1939 Married Church of Our lady of Consolation, West Grimstead, Sussex, England 19.4.1965 Frank Peter Ludowyk Born 1.9.1937 s Vyvil Mervyn Ludowyk & Joan Irene Daphne Markus AIX

Douglas St. Clive Budd Jansze', BA Hons (Lond), QC,OBE, attorney - general Born 16.2.1909 Died Colombo 16.6 1966 Married St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya 10.4.1939 Dorothy Maria Mabel Drieberg Born 15.7.1907 Died 24.3.1986 dau Clarence Basil Hermann Drieberg & Maria Clementina Ebert:-

- 1. Derek Douglas Budd Born Colombo 7.8.1943 who follows under XIV
- 2. David Lorenz Budd Born Colombo 14.10.1944 who follows under XV
- 3. Desmond Michael Budd Born Colombo 28.6.1946
- 4. Dorothy Estelle Born Colombo 8.8.1948 Married
- a) St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya 15.4.1968 Nihal Senaka Kodituwakku Born 23.7.1940 s Jolly Edwin Kodituwakku & Doreen Sumanawathie Nanayakkara divorced
- b) Registrar's office, Colombo 18.12.1979 Noel Edward (Ranjan) Ferdinand s V.S. Ferdinand & Ariyamalar.....

#### AX

Vernon Carruthers Budd Jansze', FCBI (Lond), principal, St. John's School, Getembe, Kandy; later librarian & vice principal, Trinity College, Kandy Born

19.10.1911 married St. Francis Xavier's Church, Nuwara Eliya 2.9.1936 Neliya Constance Pearl Misso Born 1.9.1910 dau Eric Constant Misso & Daisy Irene Elaine Reimers:-

- 1. Vernon Malcolm Budd, MBBS (Cey), DTM & H (Cey), Ceylon medical dept. Born Kandy 12.6.1937
- 2. Bryan Cecil Budd born Kandy 8.6.1944, who follows under XVI

#### **AXI**

Ivan St. Quentin Budd Jansze', ED, colonel, Cey cadet corps: asst master, Trinity College, Kandy Born 20.7.1914 Died Perth, Australia 22.8.1985 Married Baptist Church, Nugegoda 26. 2.1944 Dorrit Drieberg Born 20.3.1921 dau Basil John Drieberg & Dorothy Mary Hardy:-

- Ivan Frederick Budd Born Kandy 20.11.1944 Died Perth Australia 12.6.1994 Married
- a) Perth, Australia 20.11.1976 Janet ......div......div........div......
- b) Perth 24.8.1984 Arlene Arndt dau George Arthur Richard Arndt & Jeannette Ethel Austin
- Dorrit Lucette Blossom, BA (Cey) Born Kandy 18.1.1946 Married Perth 4.2.1973 David Brian Daniels, dental surgeon Born 15.5.1945 divorced Caroline ^Buchan^s Theodore Ernest Evelyn Daniels & Lorna Francesca Vander Wall
- April Barbara Born Kandy 3.4.1950 Married St. Alban's Anglican Church, Beaufort Street, Highgate, Perth. W. Australia 6.11.1971 John Birkett of Australia
- 4 Basil Nevill Budd Born Kandy 1.6.1956 who follows under XVII

#### AXII

Leonard Nigel Budd Jansze', assistant suptdt of police Born 26.8.1907 Died England 26.7.1986 Married Christ Church, Galle Face 28.12.1938 Esme Phyllis Laurine Ohlmus Born 31.3.1908 dau Evan Lawrence Ohlmus & Beatrice Olive Lena La Brooy:-

- 1. Elizabeth (Betty) Married England 10.9.1960 David Mitchell of England
- 2. Leonard Nigel Budd Born 11.5.1943 who follows under XVIII

#### AXIII

lan Terence Budd Jansze', excise inspector Born 29.10.1911.Died Gampola 1990 Married St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya 14.2.1942 Dorothy Gertrude Benigna Wiggin Born 1.1. 1913 Died 3.6.1961 dau Augustus Wiggin & Gertrude Susan Burke:-

June Caryl (adopted) Born 1958 Married St. Joseph's Church, Gampola
 1.1.1981 Lalith Bandara Eragoda Born 1958 s Visier Mudianselage Eragoda
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#### **AXIV**

Derek Douglas Budd Jansze', Born 7.8.1943 Married St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya 10.9.1969 JenniferJalleh dau Kenneth Jalleh & Ethel Bervi Maureen Garnier:-

- 1. Derek Delon Budd Born 10.1, 1976
- 2. Douglas Nigel Budd Born Perth, Australia 22.2.1978

#### **AXV**

David Lorenz Budd Jansze', director, George Steuart & Co. Colombo Born 14.10.1944 Married St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya on 29. 10 1970 Betty-Ann Blacker Born 30.12.1948 dau Edmund Herbert Blacker & Erica Rankine Melder:-

- 1. David Douglas Budd Born 3.7.1975 St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya.
- 2. Davina Betty-Ann Born 25.5.1978 St. Paul's Church, Milagiriya

#### **AXVI**

Bryan Cecil Budd Jansze', BSc (Engin) (Cey); systems engineer IBM Corporation Born 8.6.1944 Died Sydney, Australia 27.5.1988 Married St. Theresa's Church, Thimbirigasyaya 3.6.1970 Gillian Mary Noreen Tissera Born 3.9.1946 dau George Charles Arthur Tissera & Bridget (Girlie) McManus:

1. Darren Gerard Budd Born Sydney, Aust 23.5.1976

#### **AXVII**

Basil Nevil Budd Jansze', Born 1.6.1956 Married St. Columba's Presbyterian Church, Venn St. Perth, Australia 19.8.1978 Yvonne Stoffles of Holland:-

- 1. Rachel Bianca Born Perth 26.4.1985
- 2. Lana Bridgette Born Perth 8.2.1988

#### **AXVIII**

Leonard Nigel Budd Jansze', Born 11.5.1943 Married Margaret .....

- 1. Deborah
- 2. Louise

MEURLING FAMILY OF CEYLON- DUTCH BURGHER UNION JOURNAL Under VI - Victor Charles Meurling married Julia Sarah Wittensleger-He had by her - 4 Children including WILLIAM CHARLES MEURLING, born 27th May 1873 died 13th January 1937, Married Watudurage Anagihamy, He had by her-BENJAMIN CHARLES MEURLING, born 15th January 1905, died 26th November 1991, married Mabel Beatrice Vanderslott at St. Mary's church, Matara,

On 29th August 1993. He had by her-

Continuation of Genealogy of the

1. Bertha Constance Meurling,	born 22nd October 1935 at, Galle
2. Clarence Patrick Meurling,	born 6th May 1938 at Galle.
3. Hugh Kingsley Meurling,	born 15th April 1941 at Galle.
4. Victor Emmanuel Meurling,	born 6th August 1942 at Galle.
5. Bonita Marlene Meurling,	born 27th October 1944 at Colombo
6. Doreen Elizabeth Meurling	born 2nd April 1946 at Colombo
7. Anthony Ronald Meurling,	born 17th October 1948 at Colombo
8. Errol Benjamin Meurling,	born 7th January 1951 at Colombo
9. Jennifer Christine Meurling,	born 13th September 1953 at Colombo
10. Hyacinth Anne Meurling,	born 6th April 1955 at Colombo
11. Christobel Therese Meurling,	born 7th December 1956 at Colombo.
12. May Cecelia Wendy Meurling,	born 30th May 1959 at Colombo

# VICTOR EMMANUEL MEURLING

(listed 4th above)born 6th August 1942 at Galle, married Carmen Felicita Thiele on 1st June 1971 at All Saints Church, Borella, He had by her -

- 1. MARLON MARK MEURLING, born 26th April 1972 in Colombo
- 2. BRENDON REMIGUS MEURLING, born 1st October 1973 in Colombo.

# ADDENDUM TO THE POULIER FAMILY

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Spencer Ryan Poulier, born 8th November 1956, married in St' Mary's Church, Bambalapitiya, 11th June 1988, Diedry Majella Edwards, born 1st May 1964, daughter of Mervyn Clarence Edwards and Irene Firth. He had by her:

Ryan Joel, Born 6th November 1994.

# ADDITIONS TO THE GENEALOGY OF THE WRIGHT FAMILY

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ANTHONY GEORGE WILFRED WRIGHT Born 12.10.1904 died 20.12.1982. Married in All Saints Church, Borella 12.1.1967, Millicent Sansoni, born 20.7. 1928 daughter of Hector Randolph Sansoni and Lily May Schrader.

## He had by her:

 Victor Randoph Wright Born 11.11.1968 Married in St. Phillip Neri's Church Tammita, Negombo 22.8.1987 Rosette Innocent Honorine Brohier Born 22.9.1965 daughter of Nicomed Hugh Brohier and Mary Anastasia Fortunella Peries.

# He had by her:

- 1. Anthony Victor William Joson Wright born 24.12.1987
- 2. Vanessa Innocent Avalon Jamie Wright born 20.4.1989
- 3. Maree Victorine Shannara Janice Wright born 10.1 1993.

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