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# Presidents Message to Congress at its Opening on 1st. May Dislates of Churches

Honoured Deputies  
Most respectfully do I salute you on the inauguration of this period of the reopening of the legislative Assembly in which you shall have to treat & resolve matters of great moment for the well being of the country, and I am assured that you will attend to these and decide them with serious prudence and patriotic zeal as becomes distinguished & meritorious guardians of a Nation.

Never, or very seldom before has been so necessary that the legislative Bodies should move together in perfect harmony, both inspired by the same desire of finding a remedy for the unhappy situation in which we find ourselves. This situation is far from being comfortable, which also brought about by happenings which could not be attributable to us, yet they affect the very foundation of our National economy.

It is in such moments that the country demands from the directors of its destinies that they study the conditions with love and procure with an ample spirit of concord the means of alleviating the Crisis through which we are passing.

For my part it is my pleasure to manifest to you, that I shall spare no effort to assist in the realization of any proposition to bring about such a solution.

In following Constitutional precepts, my first desire is to bring to your attention that, by the manipulation of the determination of the budget for the past year, that, following the paths of our traditional life, my public order has been preserved in its entirety; and that our foreign relations with other friendly nations have been maintained with all cordiality. The citizens have enjoyed a full & effective freedom; all who have wished to treat on public matters, whether by words or through the Press, have been given freedom of speech to do so; all who wished to censure, whether right or wrong, in measured tones or violent phrases the acts of the government, have been allowed to do so with the assurance that they should not suffer the slightest inconvenience; on the other hand, the government has taken with great satisfaction such freedom of criticism knowing that in whatever way public opinions might be expressed it has always tended to help the arduous labours before it with regard to our International affairs, the government has at all times maintained them in a manner most friendly; and particularly with our other Central American sisters and our neighbour to the South have our relationships been carried out with the sincerest affection. In the matter, first, the frontier of the latter also it has not yet been attended to in a formal manner, yet in both countries there exists the intention to bring this matter soon to an arrangement which would be agreeable to both, with all this both Communities have exhibited both in their commercial and social life that high Spirit of reciprocal goodwill toward each other, that leaves to demonstrate that but governments shall soon arrive at a satisfactory solution of the problem.

Our Commercial interchange reached in 1929 the sum of \$1,500,000, being excess on the preceding year of three and one third millions, thus maintaining the same per Capita quota of \$ 3.00.

This result should call for no alarm, were it not for the fact that in 1928 the value of our exports, reached about 7,000,000 above our imports, whereas for 1929 the phenomena shows an inverse condition since importations represent almost eighty and two third millions while exportations yield hardly seventy two and three quarter millions, thus leaving a trade deficit against the country of almost eight millions. We must note that the figures in the importations show a considerable amount of materials & machinery for road construction such as Bridges, etc., and for waterworks, school construction, street reconstruction and other public works; but the fact remains that this enormous introduction has effected the economic equilibrium.

some five and three quarter millions, for two reasons, firstly because some articles of export gave a diminished production while others were not at inferior prices. The exportation of coffee has reached 19,676 metric Tons (being 834 tons more than 1928) the price obtained of \$ 48,900,000 as against \$ 49,500,000 for last year. The loss in value was not in reality so alarming this year, but it will be so in the coming year. Sufficient to say that the general average per kilo has been in 1929,65 cents, or about thirty dollars for quintal, from which may be seen the enormity of the difference for 1930.

As customary England has always been our best customer, we have sent her 14134 tons with a value of 35,856,000; Germany was in 1928 took second place with 2923 tons with a value slightly less than \$ 7,500,000. The United States come next, taking 2,293 tons valuing a little over \$ 4,600,000. Comparing the figures of this year and the preceding one, it will be observed that England and Germany are gaining ground as our best buyers while the United States is falling off.

In the regions of production it will be noticed that the Atlantic side, (Juan Vinas, Turrialba) etc. has augmented its output, while San Jose, Alajuela has remained about the same, Heredia and Cartago, have fallen off.

Our banana production has reached the low stage of 6,112,170 stems (being 1,211,311 Stems less than 1928, which was also 545,964 less than 1927 which means a deficit in our revenue of \$ 6,633,933 as compared to last year. It is unnecessary for me to say that this falling off is due to a great measure due to the inundations of November 1928, which interrupted for several months the banana traffic. The banana industry of the Pacific side increased from 58,000 to 72,000 Stems, and the exportation from Colorado has been 8000 stems.

5900 tons of Cocoa beans have been exported, giving a value of \$ 9,176,176. The excess of production of this article did not make up for the deficiency of the price in the foreign markets.

Lumber also showed a deficit in production and prices, yielding in 1928, 6445 tons, with a value of \$ 118,568, and 1929, 5016 tons with a value of \$ 465972.

The exportation of such articles as vegetables, minor fruits, chocolate, skins and sole leather, grindstones and live turkeys, has also diminished; white toast coffee and turtle shell have remained about equal. Orange exportation has increased, as also Honey which production is a very remunerative industry in near future, having risen from 73,535 kilos to 122,244 kilos with a value of \$72094. Our honey in foreign markets are quite as good as that of Guatemala.

From the foregoing it will be shown that our present production will be insufficient to meet our commercial necessities; so long as the prices for Coffee does not improve, so long as the Banana production does not increase, and so long as we do not substitute our purchases abroad of articles of first necessity by an increased national production of such articles. We must endeavor to improve the quality of our Coffee for the fine specimen is that which attains greater Value hence the greater proportion of our first quality will correspondingly increase the value of our crop. Fortunately we count among us with an Association of Coffee growers, who are taking on themselves the responsibility of the improvement & protection of the industry, by safeguarding the better cultivation, preparation & curing of the Crops.

With these efforts coupled with more reasonable freights, the falling prices will be made to balance, and along with the coming into production, the new plantations in the Atlantic, as well as in Guanacaste the difference in value will soon be minimized and by our improved exportation we shall be able to arrive at our former value in the money markets.

With regard to bananas, if we can only improve our output, without any unfavourable fluctuation of the prices the mathematical result will be that with each bunch exported, our public revenue will increase.

The Banana situation however cannot be improved to any appreciable extent, if arrangements are not made between now and October, by which our fruit Company that actually monopolizes nearly all of this trade, may be enabled to make new plantations and encourage other planters to augment their fields, for which purpose it is necessary to change the regions now occupied, which needs new & heavy expenses for Railroads etc. for extra transportation.

The Pacific regions which does not offer such great inconveniences as the Atlantic would certainly be the most propitious for encouraging the industry but it needs great Capital, to provide not only the cultivation of the fruit, but special organization, very complicated and expensive, for transporting and distributing in the markets of consumption.

With regard to the banana industry I am to inform you that those interested in it on the Atlantic side designated several gentlemen to study the problem on their behalf, and to present in their name a plan of an arrangement; and recently this Commission has submitted to the government a plan, which will shortly be presented to your consideration, in which it is advised that the law of last year should be substituted for a new one, reducing the export tax to two cents gold per stem and that the State guarantees that this tax would not be altered for twenty years.

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## EASTERN RACES LEFT

It was to our credit when on the 20 of April some of the best horses were gathered on the Zent Race track for a day of sport, though there was no excursion train on account of the dreaded disease, by which many of our visitors were disappointed in having a day outing but those who were there have surely spent a good day Races as follows.  
1st. S. of Trumps  
Maid of honour  
Lomburgh.  
Sea weed S. of Trumps came to the front Brush came Second.  
2nd. Lady Cyrene and Little Bay Lady Cyrene came to

(3). Persimman and the fireman came to the front.  
4th. Cricket Satinwood and Little Cricket came to the front.  
5th. Frenchboy and Return.  
Both Frenchboys came to close contact which was not satisfactory to the public. It was declared a drawn Race many other match Races were Run by the district Pack horses which gave a good day's enjoyment to the visitors - many other diversions were on the ground. Sports and friends who could not be here by failure of the excursion train, can please watch the Searchlight for the coming Races which wont be long. Sometime in July.

Port Limon, Costa Rica.  
Box 81, April 25 1930.

To the Editor of The Searchlight,  
Dear Sir:

Permit me space in your valuable paper to place before the public this all important matter which will eventually settle the minds of the general public of Siquires.

In the month of January of this year I started a series of evangelistic meetings at Siquires; preaching the everlasting gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, for the sole purpose of lifting humanity from this perishable plane of life to a higher plane of Spiritual achievement. The meetings continued in perfect peace and harmony till the arrival of Elder C. B. Sutton, Superintendent of the American Union Mission of the white conference of Seventh-Day Adventists and his associates; who started a mammoth campaign against us immediately after their meetings began.

They went from house to house, and in a very deceptive and undermining way tried to poison the minds of the public against me. A multitude of derogatory utterances were made against me and my work, and they tried to persuade the public not to attend my meetings, with the inference that salvation is only obtainable in the conference church of S. D. A., and who-soever become united with Free S. D. A. will be eternally lost. It is universally taught by the conference Adventists that no one can be saved unless he is connected with them. And to separate from their church is to lose your connection from heaven. When Elder Sutton saw that his theories could not convince the people, he shed some crocodile tears in order to intimidate them and hence prey upon their consciences.

After starting his vicious propaganda, an upheaval resulted; and the general public began to deem it strange that he should belittle and slander me and the work of Free Seventh-Day Adventists to such an extent. They also noted that he boasted on the riches of his organization and the work performed by them with a burning desire that they only should succeed. Therefore, I began to seek to explain the reasons why the separation came about, attributable to the fact they only heard one side of the question.

This I willingly agreed to do. But before doing so I sent him a letter requesting his presence at the meeting as follows:

Elder C. B. Sutton,  
Siquires  
Dear Bro. Sutton:

I have been informed by several persons whom you have visited, that you have made many slanderous and derogatory remarks about me and the work of Free Seventh-Day Adventists, and because of the propaganda you are circulating, they and the general public have requested me to give the reasons why we are separating from you.

Therefore, a meeting is scheduled to be held at Pena's Theatre Sunday March 9th, 1930, at 4 p. m., for the purpose of explaining the reasons for our stand. Hence, am respectfully inviting you to be present and prove to the people you are circulating, and explain your side of the question. A Tribunal of the most intelligent men of Siquires will decide whether we are right or wrong.

Trusting you will be manly enough to appear, I am, Yours in Christian kindness,  
J. B. MOSLEY

Elder Sutton Crawfished

On the evening in question when we gathered at Pena's Theatre looking for Elder Sutton, he never appeared. He has crawled. Nevertheless I was quite cognizant of the fact that he nor Seventh Day Adventists would or will ever meet a Free Seventh-Day Ad-

lie platform when this subject is going to be explained. That's the way S. D. A. slander and maliciously lie on Free Seventh-Day Adventist and when they are called to prove the things they have circulated, they always crawlfish.  
Dear readers; Don't you see the Seventh-Day Adventist conference church has become an incubator that hatch hypocrites? Every member in their denomination has to become a complete hypocrite, and cover up all the mal practices that are carried on by the conference officials.

I am quite sure the public of Siquires has found out Elder Sutton to be a crooked man. They have discerned that all his crocodile tears were only to intimidate them. Year, that his crafty way of working. Everybody who is aware of the work of the white conference of S. D. A. knows fully well that Elder Sutton is not speaking the truth when he told the public that there is not such thing as racial prejudice in their denomination.

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# PERSONAL CURRENT ITEMS

## Much Needed Visit

Madame M. L. T. Demena, International Organizer of The U. N. I. A. arrived in Limon on the S. S. Toluca on a tour of inspection in the interests of the Organization which she represents. Her presence here is much needed to unravel many knotty problems in connection with this Society in this country.

First and foremost is the question of the entry of Mr. Garvey here, the authorities have consented that he can come for 60 days but he must sign an undertaking that he will not have any meetings where discussions are entered into with regard to Racial separation, segregation or Race hatred, because in Costa Rica all Races accepted to the government have equal rights before the Law hence any such arguments are dangerous.

We beg sincerely to welcome Madame de Mena and would wish her a profitable and pleasant time among us.

Mrs. C. O. Moore of San Jose has been on visit among her friends of Limon, and is gone to Cairo to spend a few days with her sister Mr. M. Wilson before her return to San Jose where her presence is anxiously awaited to assist in making preparations for entertaining the visitors of the Club to San Jose on King's Birthday.

Mr. Llewellyn Brock was also on a visit to Limon on business, from his Plantations in Old Harbour.

—Mr. Wilson and Mr. Plummer were also on business trip

to our picturesque little town.

Miss Edith Sheppard from Bluefields is also a visitor here, spending a part of her vacation in San Jose among her relatives Mr. and Mrs. George Brown of Bluefields who came over a couple of weeks ago to consult Dr. Herdocia; Mrs. Brown underwent a very technical operation in the Clinic of Dr. Herdocia in association with Dr. Moreno Canas and fortunately she is well on the way to recovery. Mrs. Harrison of the same place is also under the treatment of Dr. Herdocia and is progressing very nicely. Miss Sheppard is a member of the Hooker family who are well known to the old residents of Limon, being a niece of Mr. Tom and cousin of Mr. Alfred Hooker a Deputy in the Nicaraguan Congress. She is Secretary to the American Consulate in Bluefields and will be here for a few days. We wish her a very pleasant stay among us.

Don Carlos Orozco Amador who has been much associated with this journal and took much interest in Limon's acknowledgement of Miss Costa Rica is on a visit to the Capital in consequence of the illness of a member of his family. We wish him a pleasant time and a speedy recovery to the sick.

**To whom it may Concern**—I advise the public that my wife Mrs. Jane Richards, to whom I was married in the year 1918 has left my home and protection with out my knowledge and consent. I do not therefore hold myself responsible for any actions of hers or any accounts she may Contract.  
Sgd. LORENZO A. RICHARDS  
Port Limon, May 8th 1930.

## Cricket in San Jose

We are asked, by Mr. J. Murray of Matina to announce that a Cricket Match is being arranged by Mr. H. J. Scharnschmidt and his colleagues in the new San Jose branch of the U. N. I. A. between his newly formed Club in that City and a combined Club from the lines, to open the eyes of Cricket enthusiasts in the Capital on Kings birthday June 3rd.

It is expected that an Excursion train will be run from Limon for the purpose. All information can be had from Messrs Z. Farquharson Madre de Dios, Ishmael Murray at Matina and H. J. Scharnschmidt, Costa Rica Hotel San Jose. This Journal will give details from time to time. A Ball after the Match is also on the programme.

## Advice To our Correspondents

To an interested party in Cahuita and other correspondents of his kind. No attention will be taken of such correspondences without any signature, if you are afraid of your identity, (not necessary for publication) out for my safeguarded dont attempt to waste your time & mine.

## For the good of Limon

The Limon Agricultural Society was formally inaugurated on Saturday 3rd inst. The following were elected as the officers to direct the affairs of this body, Mr. Federico Golcher President, Dr. M. Velasquez Vice-president, Lic. Albino Villalobos 2nd. Vice-president; Mr. Ramon W. Mora Secretary; Mr. Jose Angel Chaves Asst Secretary; Mr. Ricardo Mora F. Treasurer; Mr. Filadelfo Granados Fiscal (Legal adviser); Messrs Harold Smith, Carlos Manuel Fernandez, Victor M. Casco, Eladio Calvo, Isidoro Asch, Vocales (or members of the Board of Management).

It is much to the interest of every member of the Community of the province of Limon to become members of this Society, so as assist in forcing the hands of the government to adopt measures to improve de financial condition of Limon.

As is well known the prayer of one man may be ignored but the clamour of a multitude must be considered.

If you profess to be interested into the Society so we all can approach the President & Congress a Resolution has been posed asking the Municipal Boards of Limon; Siquirres & Guapiles or Pocosco to meet and adopt plans to be placed before Congress.

## Representative for Limon

It has been definitely decided by Congress that Messrs. Paez Gutierrez and Filadelfo Granados will remain as representatives in Congress for Limon in spite of all the protests that have been placed against the irregularities alleged to have been committed in the recent elections in February.

## Governorship of Limon

Due to the recent unpleasantness between the Governor and the Commandante of Limon the President has been pleased to name two old friends of Limon as Commandante and Secretary of Gobernacion of Limon acting as Governor in the interim, Messrs Arturo Robles as Commandante who is dear to all residents of that place, and Julio Jurado our former Agent of

nacion, in the place of Mr. Maroto who occupies a similar place in the Gobernacion of San Jose. Don Julio as he is familiarly known will act as Governor until the dispute is decided.

The SEARCHLIGHT begs to congratulate both these true hearted Limonenses who have been thus considered by the chief of State and wish them further successes in public confidence.

A musical welcome is being arranged for them.

## Barbarism in San Jose?

The attention of The Secretary of Public Safety is called to complaints which are to hand re, the stoning at nights by some mischievous boys of a house in Barrio Eujan in which is housed "The Club Progresista."

Such gatherings of the coloured people in San Jose, are also held there, and it is at these meetings that the stonings takes place. These meetings are for the purpose of the formation of what may be later on a Branch of the Universal Improvement Association and surely it is disgrace to the intelligence of the Community that the Police can

not put a stop to these uncivilized practices. The attention of the Police on duty has been called but they have taken no notice of it, being of the same class in instinctive culture, hence the Secretary of Public Safety is being complained of, with the view of sending a squad of Police there to watch the proceedings & put a stop to it, before some one gets hurt, and a riot ensues.

## United Fruit Coy's Movements

All differences between the U. F. Co. and the government seem to be vanishing and soon, very soon works will be in full swing, possibly better than they have ever been.

The only misfortune is the squeal of the merchants with regards to the merchandise Dept of the Co. which has been the means of keeping down prices and giving an assurance of getting first class groceries up to now. If the C-missaries of the Co. are ordered to be closed then we shall see how prices on foreign supplies will soar.

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Doña EMMA de BROAD Proprietress —( W. E. BROAD Manager, APARTADO 531 —( San Jose Costa Rica —( TELEFONO 3138

# News of the World

## The Conference

Italy is now disposed to reopen negotiations of Naval cartaliments.

## Inundations

Ten thousand persons are homeless as a result of recent inundations in Ceylon.

## Earthquakes in Asia

In Persia ten thousands persons are supposed to have perished consequent on the earthquake on the 8th. inst. Indian Towns also have suffered considerably.

## New Haitian President

Mons. Luis Eugene Roy succeeds President Bruno in Haiti for six years. Bruno's term has been for eight years. The populace now seem satisfied and American intervention is suspended.

## Troubles in India

Mahatma Ghandi has been arrested and several of his most prominent men. The Civil disobedience of Ghandi has culminated in disturbances by which Scores of people have been Killed, including several police, whose bodies have been buried by the rebels. The European quarters have been attacked and general boycotting of British goods declared.

England has 226000 men on the job for quelling the Indian insurrection and forty five airplanes to show the Hindus that she will tolerate no longer any

depreciation of her sovereignty. The Mahomedist chiefs are opposed to Ghandi's tactics of Civil disobedience, Boycotting, and picketing of Liquor establishments.

## The League of Nations

Genova, 9.—The Committee of Arbitration & Security of The League of Nations, adopted the text of a Treaty by which financial help to any member country who may be menaced or attacked by any non member country is Assurance.

St. Joseph Mobile—A five S-tory sausage factory belonging to the Armour & Co. Packing Co. was destroyed by an explosion. Killing 7, injuring twelve and leaving fifteen missing.

## On Reparations

Paris 9.—Briand, & the ambassadors of Great Britain, Belgium & Italy signed the document requesting the deposit in Quai d'Orsay of the ratification by their respective nations of the Young Plan on Reparation by Germany and other belligerent Nations

## Sports

The 9 Tigers of San Jose will meet the Keds of Limon in a Baseball game in Limon on Sunday the 11th inst.

The Guadalupe Football team will engage the Gimnastic in Limon on Sunday 18th inst. in Honour of our new Commandante Don Arturo Robles.

## HOTEL EXCELSIOR

Mrs. VIRA WILLIAMS

To my many friends and Patrons

This serves to advise you that I have not removed my HOTEL EXCELSIOR from in front of Alsinia Primary as I had intended to do. I am still at the old spot thoroughly renovated; and from 1st April, I am at your disposal with new clean, airy and comfortable Rooms and a Boarding House where you can have your meals attended to in the real Jamaica style.

Mrs. ELVIRA WILLIAMS

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## Election Petition

The Election Petition brought by Mr. H. E. Vernon, of St. Marys against Mr. Westmoreland as a consequence of his defeat in the recent Elections was brought before the full Court of the Supreme Court of Jamaica

and dismissed. Hence Mr. Westmoreland can now take his seat on the Council Mr. Vernon is asking to be allowed to take the Petition before the Privy Council of The Judicial Committee of The House of Lords.

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# LACK OF UNITY

Dear Mr. Editor:

It is very regrettable and heart rending to see the Social State of our Negroes of Costa Rica. In some way or the other, they are always pulling against each other. A few years ago, we saw the birth of a racial creed, that astonished the whole world, and would have placed us on a better footing, in every respect, if we had the sense of appreciating it. Garveyism, taken in the right way, is a eye opener, a sesame to a New Negro Glory, but we find that Negroes have made it a haven to perpetrate every kind of rascally deeds. It has been the means of uplifting many who dragged into dirt and degradation. It has been the means of many attaining their greedy ends. It has been the means of many a pauper turning a Colon in his pocket.

Looking at Garveyism in its right light, we have learnt many things. We have been how quickly it has been accepted by many who hadn't a chance of displaying their true type to the public. We have heard many men avowing themselves fidelity to the Cause. We have heard them shouting how they wished that they could be in Africa, and so much nonsense; they themselves would bow down their heads in shame, if they could be words could be recorded to them. We have seen men and women abusing their trust, and living on the sweat of the poorer men, who think that these men spoke with *Strength*. We have heard them comparing the Man with the Most High God. We smiled at their readiness at the quick acceptance, and shook our heads at what we forewarned.

How quickly they have changed? How many of us have forgotten the Tragedy of the Steamship Lines? How many have forgotten the grand displays of Negro's Pomp and Powers, etc in the streets of Limon?

How many of us have forgotten the many startings of Negro enterprises; the committees, the schools, the scouts, the soldiers etc. But the Negroes, especially West Indian Negroes, have only one way going. Just follow along the lines of their forefathers. Believe not in the doctrine of progress, but still remain the children of a Dependent Race. Believe in Ancient Superstitions, think that Charms and other Obah can lift them out of their Social Mire.

Didn't we heard of a New Negro talk? What has become of it? The more intelligent man and woman look upon this Uplifting Creed as a huge joke. And why? Because he either thinks himself above it, or an equal in every respect socially, to his white brother. He either think that he should be the ruling power for his people, or that it would be a waste of time trying to be independent.

What have our Costa Rica Negroes done for us to be proud of? What can we tell to our children? What monument can we show them, that our forefathers left for us? Retrospecting upon the past, or even querying of those who could give us some light, we will have to shake our heads with shame, because we cannot find anything that they have done, for us to be proud of. Nothing. No Lawyers, no Doctors; nothing at all. All that they can remember to tell about is of some fool who has his money departing from each of them. This is all the Costa Rican History can tell of.

Let us not go so far back, we have something in this very moment to comment about. For instance, and that is one of the few that we can tell of, let us take our Weekly Newspaper, *The Searchlight*, the only English written paper in the Republic of Costa Rica, worth while reading, a paper that all should be proud to have in their midst, yet it is a sore eye to our people. For very reason that a Jamaican is the Editor, it should not find opposition; for that very reason why it should not lack support. Each and every Jamaican should not think it hard to find something meritorious to fill its pages, but instead of that, it becomes a center where every Negro is fighting and biting at each other. How pitiful it is that outsiders should see the weakness of their brothers in Costa Rica!

It is indeed regrettable that we haven't a better collection of Negroes in this, the best and freest country in all the Americas, so that life may be a delight living.

Hoping that you may not find me burdensome, Mr. Editor, or even too personal, thanking you far space,

Yours truly,

D. W. JOSEPH

# The Presidents Message . . .

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With regards to our purchases in foreign markets of articles of first necessity, it is essential that we stimulate our production of these in the country. It would be all well to consider that while we were getting high prices for our coffee abroad. We would be able to look back with indifference on other crops, as the earnings from coffee would afford us to buy articles of necessity from those to whom we sell, out now that our coffee prices are down, we must change our route of trade. We have been importing corn in large quantities, not only for the above reasons, but from the fact that the prices of foreign corn could be had at lower prices than our production, consequently our farmers could not compete. The time has arrived now when we shall have to assist our agriculturists, for this reason the government deems it indispensable to put on an important duty on such, so as to protect our production, to induce them not only to plant but to employ manures & selected seeds that will enhance greater crops per acre. By this means we shall obtain greater economy and a retention of our funds in the country. Following these ideas, the government has also considered the greater purchasing of sugar for distilling in the national liquor factories, to encourage the Cane industry and by preventing the importation of Alcohol and Sugar we shall stimulate the sugar industry and conserve our foreign reserves within the Country.

On the other hand the Panama or dulce being one of the principal articles of food, if we can encourage a greater production we shall be able to reduce the cost of same and in consequence with other cheaper articles of consumption we shall be able to reduce the cost of salaries. This protectionist policy of the government takes on a very justifiable application, so long, it is not exaggerated, and it is studying the application of this plan in all regions.

Our Imports in 1929 were 149,564 metric tons, being an excess over 1928 by 21,038 which including 23,053 heads of cattle, represent a total value of \$ 20,163,936.

We buy most from the United States who sold us \$ 9,681,771; Germany next with \$ 2,553,708 and Nicaragua next with \$ 709,848.

Therefore these four nations sell us \$ 16,477,179 dollars in Merchandise, representing 80 per cent. of our total imports.

In so far as the volume of our international trade is concerned, which aggregates \$ 88,585,654, the United States take first place with \$ 18,743,599 (37.91 per cent) England comes next with \$ 12,845,379 (33.06 per cent) and Germany third with \$ 5,511,232 (14.18 per cent.) thus these three countries absorb 85 per cent of our trade.

Nicaragua by reason of her cattle trade with us comes fourth, for 1929 we bought 22,960 heads with a value \$ 683,494 besides her cattle we buy from her \$ 26,354 in other goods and we send her \$ 32,420 of merchandise in exchange. Of her cattle trade with us we bought 22,496 steers, 528 milch cows, 1 young bull, 1 yoke of oxen, 13 horses and 4 mules; it may be well to say that 40 per cent of the total amount (\$4,969) of cattle slaughtered in the country comes from Nicaragua.

This is another article of consumption, that ought easily to be produced in the country, being the cattle raising areas of Guanacaste Turrialba, San

Carlos & Santa Clara, we can counterbalance a good Lumber trade could be fostered, by which this territory would soon be a fountain of prosperity that and richness.

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Toda innovacion tiene siempre sus opositores; todo beneficio trae consigo algunos perjuicios; pero debemos ver que estos vengan en contra de los menos y en favor de los mas. Con el nuevo decreto se favorece a una gran cantidad de obreros que ganan o ganaban su sustento cuando habia trabajo en los talleres tipograficos; el pais dejara de exportar una buena cantidad de oro que pagaba a talleres o mercados extranjeros y las Artes Graficas seran estimuladas.

Si nos ponemos a analizar quienes se han perjudicado con esta reforma arancelaria, vemos que ninguno o muy pocos; pues los trabajos hechos en el pais son muy buenos y los precios bastante reducidos. Que hay algunas etiquetas de litografia muy fina o en relieve que creen no se puedan hacer en el pais? Ya se podran hacer, con el apoyo de esta nueva disposicion y a impulso de la necesidad. Todavia mas, esto que dicen no se puede hacer en el pais, se puede pedir: por lo general son anillos para puros o cigarros, etiquetas para brillantinas, perfumes, lociones o productos superfluos o de lujo que bien pueden pagar la introduccion.

Nos mueve a hacer esta defensa de nuestros intereses algunos articulos que el periodico de la tarde A. B. C. ha venido publicando, en los cuales dice que algunos comerciantes daran gestiones ante la Camara de Comercio referentes a este asunto. No creamos que encuentre eco

ninguna gestion ante 'hombres que, ante todo interes, sean patriotas y comprensivos del verdadero interes del pais.

El señor Presidente de la Republica y el señor Secretario de Hacienda, verdaderos exponentes de una Republica democratica, han dado un paso muy acertado con la emision del nuevo decreto, han hecho algo muy bueno en favor de los trabajadores y de la industria nacional, algo que nos enorgullece de ser sus gobernados. En estos momentos en que chillan unos cuatro perjudicados, importadores de seguro de papeleria impresa, deben mostrarse sordos a sus quejidos, con la seguridad de que el pais en general esta contento de sus acertadas disposiciones.

Por la Sociedad Tipografica,  
PEDRO UJUELA R., J. Z. MUÑOZ S.,  
Presidente Secretario

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## Disputes of . . .

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tively few exceptions. Nevertheless, our people's eyes are now opened; for we are now living in an age of great illumination, and what we have done for the conference S. D. A. in the past, we can do the same for ourselves as Free, Seventh-Day Adventists.

Truth is the intelligent public will clearly see the fallacies of Elder Sutton's propaganda and know that the S. D. A. conference teaches the inequality of mad and practice racial prejudice which is contrary to the will of God. While Free S. D. A. teaches the equality of man, and always wear the insignia "Justice and Equality To All".

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# More of the murder case at Estrada

The Editor of  
THE SEARCHLIGHT

Dear Sir:  
You will permit me space in your valuable columns to throw light on the misleading reply of Mr. Justino Vallejo of Estrada in your issue of 12th April.  
He says I am not worthy of his noticing my defence, yet he may be right because he has tied me hand & foot by writing a statement in his language and getting me to sign it, pretending that it was something in my favour meanwhile it was a damnable instrument to make me appear as an accomplice to an act that tends to ruin me and my children for life; and worse of all he has brought men of my own colour to

say that they saw me confess this thing, and that this instrument was translated to me. He himself confesses of having used these countrymen of mine to put me in prison, how pitiful it is for a gentleman of my skin (I won't speak of the Policemen who are under his orders, because if they don't make a case for him they don't get a miserable two colones no matter how many dozens of colones may be the fines on their own countrymen) but again I must say how pitiful it is for a gentleman like Mr. Hylton because he too has to get the judge to recommend him to get a government school should say he witnessed the translation of that document to me, a man who has knelt at the Communion Rails together with me, Ah my God will retributive justice not overtake the wrongdoer?

Why were independent gentlemen not called for this dastardly act? No he couldn't get them. Why does Mr. Vallejo not engage Native Policemen at Estrada? No because they won't list to punish any one whether their own countrymen or foreigners.  
He says I confessed to him, that I was friendly with another man at 28 miles. Now suppose it was even so, would the public think that I would admit such a thing to this man? We must have been very familiar for him even to put such a question to me; but to think that I should tell him such a story is too ignorant for the public to think of. All this intrigue is simply because I refused to give him my little farm to look after now that my poor husband is dead, which he asked me to do.  
Look at what he wrote about Mr. Hutchinson. Mr. Hutchinson's reply in your paper giving the lie to what he made him appear to have declared, and there are others willing to do the same thing.  
I would like to explain how this man has been spiteful to me on account of this frame up against me. He unnecessarily locked me up for two days in the Estrada jail, full of filth and excrement, without an airhole, by way of ventilation. It was so full of filth that Mr. Ephram Forbes out of sympathy had to bring his shovel, a Jeyes, to clean and disinfect the concrete dynamic Magazine in which he placed me for two days and nights without any reason, because he was told by the Judge to send me to Limon to give a statement in the case.  
I am innocent of all this persecution, but I confide in my God that he will deliver me from these falsehoods put against me, and I know that he will give retributive justice to Mr. Vallejo for all the trouble he has planned against me.  
Last week he sent his two Policemen in the Limon jail to tell Ford that it is not he who is keeping him in punishment but me, what a wicked lying intriguing to get me complicated. It is this admissible by the Laws of Costa Rica? surely not; this is only another trick of his like what he played on me to say I confessed what God Knows.  
I knew nothing about.  
Thanking you Sir for your Kindness in allowing me to express myself to the public yours gratefully,  
Sgd ROSLIN DUNKLEY

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