

# AN APPRECIATION

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The sudden and untimely death of Mr. T. Mylvaganam, a leading Attorney-at-law and a gentleman who endeared himself to almost all strata of society has created a vacuum and a sense of loss to his numerous friends and admirers from all walks of life.

After a brilliant secondary education in Batticaloa and Jaffna, he entered University College, Colombo and obtained an Honours degree in History after which he joined Law College, and like his father, passed out as an Advocate. Before joining the Batticaloa Bar, for a short spell after the Second World War he was in Government Service. He functioned as the Assistant Food Controller, Batticaloa.

His interests were so diverse that while practising his profession and giving his best to his clients, he found time to busy himself with the Co-operative Bank and render great service to this institution. He was also on the Board of Directors of the People's Bank. When the Co-operative societies in Batticaloa were amalgamated into the Multi-Purpose Co-operative Society, he became its first President.

He was well informed and knowledgeable in most matters, and above all, was ever willing to learn. He was also a keen agriculturist and practical farmer. For sometime he was a member of the District Agricultural Committee. He was also in the Hospital Advisory Committee and the Chairman of the Rent Control Board and Fisheries Society.

His interest in the wellbeing of the common man, particularly the worker and peasant, originated during his student days and this socialist outlook often manifested itself in various ways throughout his life.

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