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2. *In the present book he promises that dismal poverty can be removed substantially from the entire S. E. & F. E. areas even in a brief period of 20/25 years, if his suggestions are accepted & carried out by all concerned.]*

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PREFACE

Man proposes, but God disposes.

This is so at least in his present case of writing this political book.

This book is his third one in a line in the last few years.

The Titles are :

(1) "My Travels & Impressions" (with 3 chapters on (i) My Travels in the 1930s & in late '80s ; (ii) Comparative Performances of 9 Communist & Democratic countries between 1950 1986 ; (iii) 'Women' representing the U. S. A., Britain, Germany, Russia & India, from the earliest times to 1988."

(Published on Sept. 5, 1988 & reprinted on Jan, 10, 1990).

The 2nd Title is "The a challenge of A Modern Welfare State, with prognastic views of A Happy Future for Mankind by 2050 A. D."

—Published on 20 April, 1991

The 3rd Title, the present book, is "The Glimpses of Great Thoughts."

—Published on 15 April, 1995

In the present book he has given a detailed expression of how his ideas and forecasts of future political developments in the world in the last 60 years, from 1935 to the end of 1994, have been proved completely correct.

It must be an interesting information to all that when the author predicted in his book of 1972 ("The Effects of Internationals Re-alignments") that : "Both Germanys will become united again in mid-eighties to the supreme satisfaction of all

Germans", it caused many a cynical laugh in many important quarters.

To the most people the above conclusion of the author was nothing but an expression of his unsound and unbalanced mind, unrealistic to the whole political situation. Yet the seemingly absurd proposition of the author became a fact of reality nearly in the same period and a fanfare was celebrated officially to greet the occasion of Reunification on October 3, 1990.

All his other predictions about Europe, the M. E , Russia, China & India have also been proved correct. What the U.S.A.'s policies towards her enemies would be in future were also written in his book of 1958. And they have been proved correct. In fact no political reading of his has been proved wrong. His study of the Indian political maladies made in that book has also been proved correct. Please read what he wrote in that book in 1958 :

"The people must note here that without a change in our political stand there will be no massve foreign assistance and consequently no rapid industrialization will be possible.

It would be too much to expect of the foreigners to come and invest billions of dollars in India, particularly under the constant threat of nationalization and without any clear assurance from the opposition. This explains why foreign capital is so shy in the case of India and why it was not so in the cases of the Western Democracies.

Again, with industrialization, but without successful birth-control, the hope of our progress and prosperity will largely remain unfulfilled.

Still again, without sufficient speed, honesty and efficiency in all ranks of the administration the country would't be able to make much headway. And without honest and efficient leaders at the top the administration will hardly be able to rise equal to the task."

So, at long last the Indian P. M. and his Finance Minister took courage in both hands to liberalise the Indian monetary policies towards the foreign investors, as were observed in the book by the author some thirty seven years ago.

However, better late than never. Their courage, conviction and credit for the same are all praise-worthy.

The result has been stupendous. In a brief period the Govt. of India has received proposals of massive investments to the tune of some Rs. 20,000 crores till the end of 1994.

If the foreign issue is properly handled, the country will have ever increasing investments from the foreigners.

The author in his book of 1991 (The Challenge of A Modern Welfare State) requested the Govt. of India to provide a diplomatic recognition to Israel.

The Govt. of India did the same 2 years later in 1993.

The author has been asked by many if he procured any help from any other source, like palmistry, astrology or astronomy etc. in his readings of political situations to come to a final conclusion in any matter.

He said an emphatic 'no' in reply to the above. In fact, He has no knowledge of any of those sciences at all.

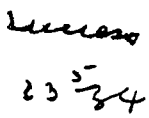
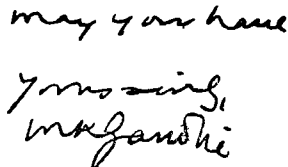
He has his own conceptions about the peoples actions & reactions to all events, good or bad, friendly or hostile.

To be candid enough he has the greatest trust, confirmed

actually during he hazardous travels in his impressionable age of early twenties through lands both friendly and unfriendly, when, despite his black colour of skin and despite his lack of funds none, yes none of any colour, or of any country ever behaved otherwise with him. And this fact alone had the profoundest impact upon his mind. And he learnt to respect all people alike irrespective of their political or religious faiths.

Even today in his last years, he has no cause for regrets.

In fact he feels an immense joy to think that he received a letter of good wishes from so great a person as Mahatma Gandhi in 1934. Gandhiji's name, was then a household

one, he received the kind letter from him when he left his abode with only Rs. 11/- (about 12 Sh. of that time) for a tour of the whole world through economic and physical stresses and strains and international unrests and turmoils.

To many Mahatma Gandhi was the most respectable and trust-worthy leader, while he was like a God-incarnate to the vast majority of the population.

And his death at an assassin's bullet magnified his image greatly.

And now again in the last days of his life what a wonder it is, he has received very high appreciations for his writings from so great international leaders as the Presidents of the U. S. A., France and many other countries. The German

Chancellor Herr Helmut Kohl was also too glad to send him his great appreciations of his works.

And still, what a wonder, his holiness the Pope John Paul II too did write to the effect that he would remember him during his prayers.

To all of them he find no words to express his heart-felt gratitude for their good wishes.

In the heart of his heart he knows and feels that he is hardly fit enough to receive such appreciations as stated above.

He knows better than anybody else that he cannot be uplifted by any person however great he might be.

But by such appreciations they have expressed only their own greatness in a candid manner.

In these connection, when he is winding up his writing profession, for which he had no knack at all in the beginning, and when he was travelling in the Far East in 1935, an interesting incident took place.

While in Shanghai, attracted by the signboard of his cycle, a Chinese palmist of a pavement approached him to seek his permission to read his palms.

The palmist read his palms, both right and left. Out of curiosity he requested him to explain his readings. He was frank enough to reply :

“(1) You will never feel any want of money to carry out your wishes, although you will never have any big amount of money. Yet, no wish of yours will suffer from any paucity of funds.

(2) You will earn from your writings only.

(3) Towards the end of your life your writings will receive great international appreciations.”

Hearing him he laughed a hearty laugh. Because he had not the least knowledge of writing.

So, his readings appeared to be all absurd useless ones to satisfy the customers only.

But now after 61 years of that event, he is now 84 at the door of his death and he has no hesitation to confess without the least exaggeration that :

(1) Within 6 months of that event when he was travelling in Java, he was suddenly arrested by the police who wanted to deport him back to India. Why ?—he had no knowledge.

So, he had to wait for a week in the customs' detention house.

During this detention it occurred to his mind that he should write on his travels and observations.

Back to Madras after two weeks, he engaged himself in writing his first book entitled "My Travels in the East."

He published the book by incurring a loan at 10% interest per month.

Within 3 months the book went out of print and the loan also was cleared.

Since then till today he had written books of various subjects.

And he admits that the palmist's, readings have been proved correct to the point, since he hasn't earned a single cent from any other source than writing till to-day.

However, his travels were very often interspersed with many untoward incidents and economic hardships that made his travels sore and sour to say the list, but the traveller took them as mere passing phases.

But soon thereafter he found himself plunged in the warmth greetings of friendly love and good wishes of many,

many young men and women who gave him all their love and co-operation.

Thus the traveller's desire to test the genuinness of universalism was fully and satisfactorily proved.

Every word & every suggestion in this book is the author's and as such he assumes full responsibility for them, good or bad.

While writing this book many changes in foreign policies of some important countries have occured nearly following the author's readings. They have inspired the author most to expect that all his ideas will meet with success and will create an unbounded enthusiasm everywhere for the same.

In conclusion the author implores his kind readers to excuse him for all his lapses in the book.

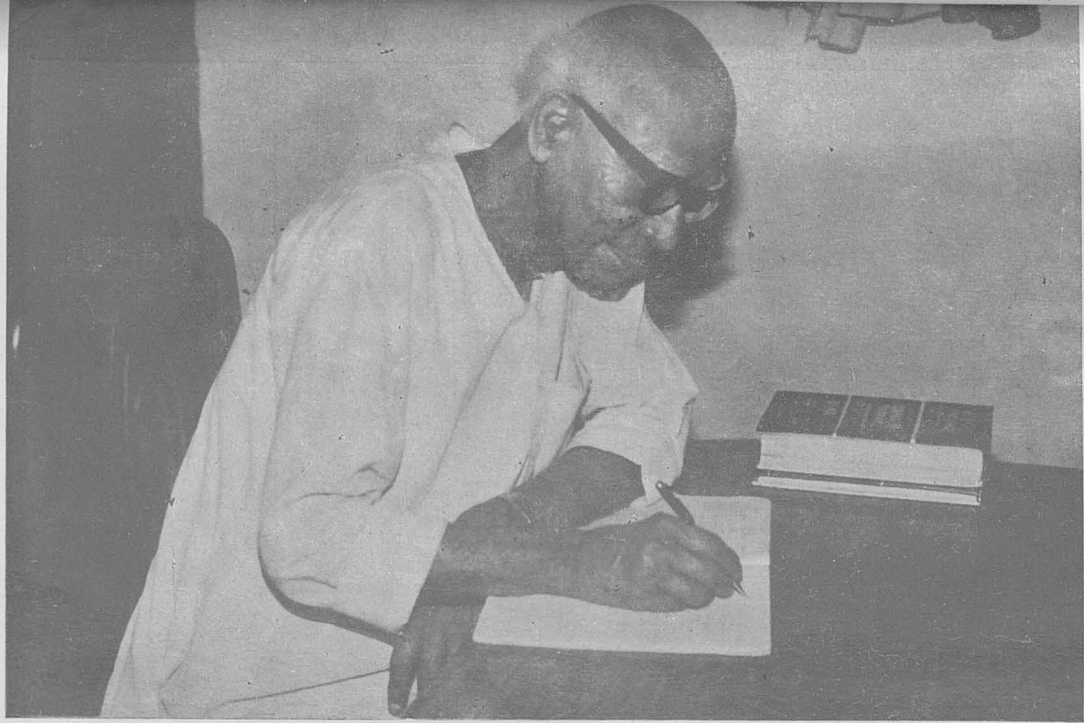
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