A MESSAGE FROM MRS. AMBADY - ON THE OCCASION OF INSTI-TUTION OF DR. B. M. AMBADY ORATION - AT THE 4TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF I. A. D. V. & L - held at New Delhi, 1976.

Friends,

The organizers of this Confence have requested me to say a few words to you. I came to Delhi to conduct the marriage of my daughter and remained in New Delhi to avail of the last opportunity I will have to meet and say good-bye to all our friends at this I. A. D. V. & L. Conference. You will all remember the Conference which was held last year at Trivandrum when my husband was the President. To-day he is no more and the First Annual Oration in his name is to be delivered. Yet to all who have met him, it is impossible to think of Dr. Ambady in the past, and it is his presence that I feel beside me that gives me the courage to face you all to-day. He had very high hopes that this Association would stand on its own legs and that its Annual Conferences would be the venue for discussions between eager and well-known research workers in the speciality. I trust that the I. A. D. V. & L will grow in strength and achievements from day-to-day and year-by-year; and that this speciality will emerge out of the gloom as one of the most important of specialities.

Last year you gave me the honour of being called the mother of that Conference. This designation awed me at that time, but to-day I realize that by accepting that honour, you have given me certain responsibilities also. First of all, please allow me to shower on the Association — I. A. D. V. & L. all the blessings and affection and everlasting interest that only a mother can give, in abundance and without reserve. Secondly may I give you a few words of advice? In any controversy or difficulty I would ask each member of the Association to remember that the development and success of the I. A.D.V. & L must come first, and that individual prestige and achievements are only of secondary importance. May you all in the years ahead work together with courage and unity to enhance the reputation and the success of I.A.D.V. & L.

I thank Dr. Bhutani and others for this opportunity of being able to participate in this meeting, Thank you and au Revoir.

FROM EDITOR'S DESK

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