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EAST - WEST CONFLICT

U. N. Secretary-General's Impressions

M. TRYGVE, Lie, Secretary-General to the United Nations, said in a speech at Lake Success. "The attention of the world has been focussed so completely on the so-called East-West conflict that developments of even greater long-range significance for the world have been largely overlooked."

These developments, M. Lie said, were the rise of many peoples of Asia and Africa from a position of dependency towards equality in the world, and the movement to make the extension and observance of human rights everywhere a major concern of the international community.

M. Lie said there were only eight Asiatic and African countries among the 50 that founded the United Nations at San Francisco. Since then India and the Philippines have become fully independent. More countries, Pakistan, Burma, Thailand, Afghanistan, Yemen and Iraq, have

become members of the United Nations.

Influence of Asian Peoples

"I have recalled the role of these countries because it dramatizes the rapid rise in influence of the peoples of Asia since the United Nations was established.

"The days of empire and colonialism are fast coming to an end in Asia, and its people are finding that the United Nations is a powerful ally in their march forward to equality and independence."

M. Lie recalled how the Asiatic and African countries were able to "prevent the adoption of the compromise plan (on Italian colonies) to which most of the Western European and American countries had agreed."

"Whatever one may think of the rights or wrongs of the matter," he said, "this debate and its outcome were dramatic demonstration that there are other forces to be reckoned with in the world today besides those forces represented by the Soviet Union or Western Europe, or America."

Conduct Of Some Madras Ministers

Enquiry By Congress Secretary

Shri Shangerrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, will leave for Madras on June 13 to hold an enquiry into the charges of nepotism, corruption and Communist activities made against six Ministers of the Madras Cabinet by a section of the members of the Madras Legislature.

Shri Deo, who has been deputed by the Central Parliamentary Board of the Congress, will advise the Board if a judicial enquiry into the conduct of the Ministers concerned is justified.

The allegations were originally made by seven members of the Madras Assembly led by Mr. A. Kaleswarrao against seven Ministers of the Reddi Cabinet which resigned in March this year, following the passage of no-confidence motion against them.

Six of those seven ministers of

Mahatma Gandhi's Teachings

Influence in Japan

How the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi are influencing life and conduct in far off Japan is provided by the following written by Prof. S. N. Agarwal who was recently in that country, in the *Harijan*:

There exists in Japan a Gandhi Society since a long time. It has a very large membership. Sri Nakayama, High Priest of Hongenji Budhist Temple, Tokyo, who is a very enthusiastic worker is the Secretary of the Gandhi Society. A few days after Bapu's death, he undertook a fast for three weeks. They celebrated Gandhiji's First Anniversary on 15th February—the Anniversary Day of Lord Buddha—by keeping Bapu's photo near the idol of Lord Buddha in the Hodganji temple, which is the biggest Buddhist temple in Tokyo.

the Reddi Cabinet have, however, been retained in the New Cabinet headed by Mr. Kumaraswami Raja.

Grow More Spiritual Food Campaign

CULTIVATION OF THE LIFE OF THE SPIRIT

The Seed Imperishable Is Always There

To him that hath, will be more and from him that hath not, even the little he hath will be taken away, sang a wise man of yore. Taken literally it rings like a mocking prophecy of the state of affairs in the lives of our people when the poor widow with half a measure of rice is prosecuted, when the poor man's bread and butter are taxed and the blue bloods and stout paunches grow more and more fat by means fair or foul, often the latter, and pass off as genits and worthies,—for the bayonet is in their hands and it is used to sap the blood from the disinherited of the earth. Cruel indeed would have been to put such a construction on the words of the good Shepherd. But he spake out of things that corrupt, but of things that abide. 'Man does not live by bread alone' quoth he, but by every word that cometh out of God.' He spoke about food and he prayed for the daily bread, but it was the bread of the spirit, the drink of the soul, the spiritual manna for the lost tribes of the wide world that he prayed for. He spake in language of the multitudes about things of their Father.

Hearken to the Ishwara

Man must multiply his talents, or he is likely to lose the little he has. But the Nazarene came to do his Father's business and so he was solely concerned with his life in the spirit. And his Father's business was his own, for he and his Father were One.

He brought the tidings from his Father's throne and called unto the fishermen and tax-gatherers to be gatherers in their Father's garden. And those that were ready, heard and grew.

But there are the dull and the hard of hearing. They are busy about mending their nets. Floods come fish swarms; they are found not ready and they lose their chance. And when finally they are ready the pharisees proclaim unto them that there are no fish in the sea. They then begin to doubt the very call of their Master; they even deny him. To such He says, 'Be thou blessed and satisfied in thy nets; but when thou art weary and heavy of soul, call unto Me.'

The immemorial and yet ever new query, 'What is this?', has haunted humanity from its infancy. The riddle has not been solved for the multitude; for in the Swaraj of the Self, it is Atmocracy, through and through. It has to be solved by every one of us individually. Others may help us on the way; but they cannot take us on their shoulders. But there are those that deny the Divine. They laugh at the pious and sneer at their pi-jaws and call them fools and cranks. Let them that will. The devotee only wonders at the magnanimity of his Lord. 'O Father, thou hast empowered thy children even to deny their own parentage', he muses. But the time and turn of such are not (Continued on Page 3)

SCIENCE IS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY FOR SOCIETY

It Must Be Humanised

(BY V. RAMAKRISHNAN)

There are many in our Society who are engaged in an assault on Science and on the importance given to it in modern school curricula. They deplore the pushing into the background of what they call the liberal arts. In a world which is what it is today largely because of Science and technology they propose that education should turn its back upon even the small degree of recognition Science and technology have received. They deplore the lack of what they call 'culture' and propose to jump back to the ideas of the middle ages when the so-called 'liberal' arts were identified with literary arts. A course natural to adopt in an age innocent of knowledge of nature, at which time the readiest means of rising above barbarism was through an acquaintance of literature.

There may be a tendency to dismiss these attacks lightly. But it would be a mistake for they are just the forces which keep science penned up in a compartment labelled 'materialistic and anti-human'. They strengthen all the institutions which render that which is morally 'ideal' impotent in action and leave the 'material' to operate without humane direction.

These social idealists assume that something called natural law could be completely trusted to carry on happily with only incidental co-operation by human beings. They have to learn the lesson that human attitudes and efforts are the strategic centres for the promotion of peace, economic security, political freedom and equality. If this premise is granted then it is easy to see that it carries with it the basic importance of education in creating the habits and attitudes that will help us to secure these ends.

Science As Pattern For Intelligent Conduct

If this is understood then we can see how little has actually been done in schools to make Science and technology agencies in creating attitudes that may help to cope with and to solve the problems of today. Externally a great modification has taken place in the subjects taught. But these changes are mainly in the nature of emergency concessions to meet the urgent requirements of the modern world. The standards controlling scientific education are still those of a pre-scientific era. Science is still taught as a body of ready-made information and technical skills. It is not taught to provide a pattern for all intelligent conduct. It is not taught with respect to the way in which it enters human life, that is, as a supremely humanistic subject but as something which is external to human concerns. Its connections to every aspect of human life are not em-

phasised. The value of it in overcoming sheer drift is not even mentioned. Science will not attain the important place in education it deserves unless it is treated as giving the sole effective guidance for collective and co-operative human behaviour.

The same sort of thing must be said about the use made of so-called vocational subjects in education. There is a tendency to provide for vocational education for those who do not attain a desired eminence in 'liberal' arts. To teach it to the masses who do the useful work which somebody has to do and to release the intellectuals for their own work on 'ideas'. This is an open attempt to return to the dualistic separation of 'ideas' and 'actions', of 'liberal' and 'servile' arts that marked the feudal ages. And this move to perpetuate the split from which the world is suffering is offered as a cure, a panacea, not as the moral quackery it actually is. The supreme need is to go forward, to do away with the chasm between the liberal and the vocational, not to make this chasm the foundation for a future society.

Society Needs Science

To divide necessary occupations into 'learned' and 'menial' is foolish. It is an inheritance from the class structure. It is a denial of democracy. At the time when the most important problem in education is to fill education having an occupational direction with a genuinely liberal content, there are some sponsors for relegating vocational training to special schools devoted to the inculcation of technical skills without any contact with liberal arts. Yet, combining both is not an utopian dream. It is a demonstrated possibility in a number of institutions in the West. Separation would only tend to give credence to the views of those who believe, that science is something 'external', that though useful it is not absolutely necessary for the proper planning of society, that society can get on for better or worse with this division into men of ideas and men of action, that this division is fundamental, that nature will take care of itself without co-operation from man. The last is the greatest fallacy of all. The individual and the environment are equally responsible for the state of society. It is the result of an interaction between them. Both are and must be active agents if the highest fulfilment is to be achieved.

So the task indicated is to humanise science. To this aspiration must be joined the formation of trained attitudes of observation and understanding of the vital principles of scientific method.

World - Wide Government

The Alternative to War

An association, called the Indian Association for World Federal Government, was formed at a meeting in Delhi

The Association, it was stated, would propagate the idea of One World Government. Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, Deputy Speaker of Parliament, was elected its provisional President.

Acharya Kripalani, Srimati Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, and Mr. Arthur Moore are among the twelve members elected to the provisional Executive Committee to assist the President in scrutinising the draft constitution of the Association.

It was suggested at the meeting that India should be represented at the World Movement Congress which is to be held in Stockholm in August next.

The idea of One World Government, mooted by Mr. Henry Osborne and some other members of the British Parliament, it was explained at the meeting, had already found support in the provinces of Bombay, Madras and Bihar.

The movement has among its slogans: "World wide Government", and a "World Government is the only alternative to war."

Lord Boyd Orr, who recently visited India, is the present President of the World Government Movement.

Significance of Human Rights

The U. P. A. adds: M. Trygve Lie said that the "hysteria" over the East-West conflict would diminish if the world would recognise the "greater long-range significance of colonialism and human rights."

He said the "moment we examine these developments we shall find that we can deal with our East-West troubles with less hysteria and with more sanity, for these troubles will then be seen in their proper proportions".

The United Nations Chief spoke at the Commencement Exercises of Hofstra College in New York. He said the recent defeat of the Bevin-Storza plan for the Italian American colonies was a "dramatic demonstration that there are other forces to be reckoned with in the world today besides those forces represented by the Soviet Union or Western Europe or America. He added: "The days of empire and colonialism, are fast coming to an end and Asia and its peoples are finding that the United Nations is a powerful ally in their march forward to equality and independence".

He said there had been "equally significant developments in the field of human rights". Not only for dependent peoples but for all peoples generally. He recalled the adoption at Paris in December of the "first universal Declaration of Human Rights in history" and said, "It sets up a standard for all Governments to live up to and be judged by".



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Treasure These Thoughts

"God waits for man to regain his childhood in wisdom."

—RABINDRANATH TAGORE

HINDU TEMPORALITIES

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE control and administration of Hindu Temples is being demanded by the Hindus in the Island. The demand is justifiable. The Buddhist Temporalities Ordinance was passed in 1931 and from then Trustees and Viharadipathis of Buddhist temples are subject to the general supervision of the Public Trustee who is assisted by an Advisory Board consisting of five members appointed by the Governor-General; special provision was made for the management of the Dalada Maligawa, the Sri-padasthana and the Atamasthana Trusts under the same Ordinance. In the same year i. e. 1931 an Ordinance was passed relating to Muslim Charitable Trusts or Wakfs; every trustee of such trusts is liable under the Ordinance to file a statement containing particulars regarding the property comprised in the trust, the income therefrom and expenditure; statements of accounts have to be filed annually within three months of the 31st day of March every year and such accounts have to be filed after audit. There is no special ordinance relating to Hindu religious trusts; the law applicable to such trusts is the Trusts Ordinance of 1917 which sets out the law relating to Trusts in general and incidentally deals with Charitable Trusts

After the Trust Ordinance of 1917 was promulgated many cases have been filed under the provisions of the Ordinance for the purpose of obtaining redress or relief. Judges as well as legal practitioners have found the Ordinance defective and inadequate; there is no provision for the Public Trustee or the Court to control the management of Hindu Temples except under some scheme formulated by Court; and no Court would formulate a scheme relating to any particular charitable trust unless an action is filed under the provisions of the Trust Ordinance in reference to such trust.

If one examines the Wakfs Ordinance one would find that any five persons interested in any charitable trust or in any Muslim place of worship etc, may apply for relief against any trustee to the District Court having local jurisdiction. Under the Trust Ordinance an invidious distinction has been made in reference to charitable trusts including Hindu Religious trusts; five or more

persons interested in such trusts are required to file a petition and obtain a certificate from the Government Agent of the Province where the trust concerned is situated, as a condition precedent to filing action in Court. As pointed out earlier there is no scheme for the control of charitable trusts pertaining to Hindus in general; till an action is filed and the plaintiffs succeed no scheme would be framed by Court and the scheme when framed will apply only to the particular temple or trust which was the subject-matter of the action.

There is also a move by a section of the public that provision should be made in any Hindu Temporalities Ordinance which may be passed to enable Harijans to enter Hindu temples. The rights of Harijans to enter Hindu temples will come within the purview of Fundamental Human Rights; whether the Hindu Temporalities Ordinance should provide for Harijans entering Hindu temples or not has to be carefully considered. If the example of India is followed in Ceylon there will be no need for such a provision in the Ordinance itself.

There are still trustees of Hindu Temples who claim to be proprietors; few Hindus, excepting such trustees can subscribe to such a view. There is hardly a Hindu temple which can be managed without public assistance; any temple which freely admits worshippers and receives financial assistance from such worshippers cannot but be considered a charitable trust. It will be preposterous for any one to claim ownership of a Hindu temple. It is the duty of every trustee to administer the trust in his charge efficiently and to the satisfaction of the public for whose benefit the trust was founded. An Ordinance should be enacted providing for the control and administration of all Hindu Temporalities in general without further delay.

Calcutta Election Contest

Sarat Chandra Bose Wins

Sarat Chandra Bose, brother of Subhas Chandra Bose, head of the "Free India" Government during the war, was elected to the West Bengal Legislative Assembly, defeating the official Congress party candidate.

Sarat Bose, who is now in Switzerland, polled 19,030 votes against 5,780 for the Congress candidate, Suresh Chandra Das. The five-contested fight, one of the most keenly contested by-elections held in recent times, created India-wide interest as Sarat Bose, who stood on behalf of the Socialist Republican Party founded by him, has been an outspoken critic of the Congress party Government throughout the country, ever since he left the party two years ago.

Congress party leaders, including Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, India's Prime Minister, had appealed to voters to elect the Congress party nominee.

Subhas Chandra Bose was reported killed in an air crash at Formosa, while flying from Singapore to Japan in August 1945 at the time of the Japanese surrender.

Gandhi Nilayam In Jaffna

"The Harijans of Chiviateru in particular and the Harijans of Ceylon in general should be proud of the memorial" said Mr. C. Ponnambalam presiding at a meeting that followed the laying of the foundation stone of the Gandhi Nilayam at Chiviateru by Dr. C. Candiah.

The Chairman speaking further criticised Mr. D. S. Senanayake's action in taking Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam into his Cabinet when he knew very well that the latter had campaigned against Mr. A. Mahadeva (now Sir A. Mahadeva) on a communal basis and that he had won the elections on the anti-Sinhalese cry. Mr. C. Ponnambalam, however, stated that from the point of view of the Tamils, Minister Ponnambalam's action in joining the Cabinet was correct.

Mr. C. Vanniasingham, M. P. for Kopay in his speech made reference to the statement made by Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam at Batticaloa that the minorities would get a square deal from the present government and declared that arguing on such lines would not justify the existence of the Famil Congress.

ONE THING AND ANOTHER

By YALPADI

Heading For Extinction?

Will this make us pause and think or will it not? It all depends on our temperament and outlook, and perhaps the day's temper. Anyway, let us see. The Indian Swami who made Norway his home and finally cast off his mortal coil from there on the very day Norway was freed from the presence of the last of the Nazi hordes—8th May 1945—, Swami Sri Ananda Acharya, had written many books from his Norwegian mountain retreat. In one of which occurs this telling sentence: "Metals and fire will be revenged on the carnal born creature. Years will elapse and the powers of the ether and the earthquakes will be conquered by the lustborn to their own destruction...The civilised man will cause the complete extinction of mankind."

How prophetic! The metal and fire avengement has come. We are conquering the powers of the ether. Civilisation is proceeding, space!

Our Aches And Pains!

Who hasn't rheumatism? It has become a matter of international interest. In New York has just concluded a session of the International Congress on Rheumatic Diseases. Call it ICORD if you please. They have advocated the formation of national associations of Rheumatology. But what must interest readers, rheumatic or otherwise, is that it was disclosed that the percentage of cases of rheumatism and arthritis in which the victim's aches and pains sprang solely from emotional stress, was appreciable.

Check up on yourself

I am not trying to make your flesh creep, but this is what they have said about this crippling disease. Doctors reported that the psychological symptoms most frequently encountered were poor sleep and poor sexual adjustment.

How To Be Happy.

Have A Clear Conscience

What constitutes happiness? Dr. Holger Isagar of the International People's College at Helsingore, Denmark, recently made a survey of his students to find it out. And he found that happiness comes from enjoyment of work, good health and love.

These three most important elements of happiness are followed closely by good fellowship, a clear conscience and freedom.

Liquor, power politics, money and prestige are put at the bottom of the list of things contributing to happiness by the students. Even religion holds a relatively unimportant place.

A majority of those surveyed considered themselves happy, in general. Comparison of the happy with those who feel that they are often unhappy showed that the happy put more stress on clear conscience while the unhappy need economic independence and travel for their well-being.

World Health Assembly

Mr. Bandaranayake Elected Vice-President

The World Health Assembly unanimously elected Dr. Kari Evang, Norwegian Director-General of Public Health, as President of the organisation's three-week session in Rome.

Professor Mario Cotellesa, Italian Health Commissioner, was elected Honorary President.

The three Vice-Presidents elected were:

Mr. S. W. R. D. Bandaranayake, Health Minister of Ceylon.

Dr. Naguib Scander Pasha, Chief Egyptian Delegate.

Dr. Jose Zozaya, chief Mexican Delegate.

News in Brief

New Customs Chief

Mr. C. J. D. Lanktree, Permanent Secretary to the Minister of Labour and Social Services has been appointed the Principal Collector of Customs.

Mr. A. E. Chistotofelsz, the present Principal Collector succeeds Mr. Lanktree.

Registration Of Companies

130 public and 617 private companies were registered between 1940 & 1947 states the administration report of the Registrar of Companies.

Rice quota for July

Ceylon's July shipping programme is expected to bring 37,564 tons of rice from Burma. Mr. K. Alvapillai, the Food Commissioner states "there is no question of a rice shortage".

Exchange Dodge Game

The exciting game of dodge played by the Ceylon Indians and our Controller of Exchange since a year has shown that we can beat the Indians hands down. Look at the marvellous rules of procedure devised by our Controller for the confounding of the cunning Indians who have tried every loophole to take Ceylon money out of this country. The controller has plugged every chink and cranny now. And he has done it so politely too! Almost every other directive is prefaced by a "please." If Indians still grumble about incivility they are an discontented, incorrigible crowd!

Here's a Genius!

After this clever performance, perhaps the controller can explain to us Ceylonese exactly how much his exchange control establishment costs our treasury, how many persons are engaged in this wholesome work of tracing currency evasion and how much we are earning by that 25% levy on excess currency, which someone called a loot. To me it looks like having a huge contraption perfected by experience, to detect every single cent every single son of an Indian mother can try to dodge out of this Island. If the occasion creates the man, here is Mr. Jayawardana the genius created by exchange difficulties! Hurrah!

Plane Made of Revolutionary Design

On an airfield south of London a new British Airplane of revolutionary design is receiving finishing touches before its first trial flight.

It is a four-seat family and business man's plane named the Planet Satellite. The plane is revolutionary because it is made entirely of magnesium, which is only half the weight of aluminium, and which can be obtained in limitless quantity from sea water.

Sidelights and Lightsides

(BY SQUINT EYE)

This persistent "whale ashore", is a definite offensive—as local residents have known to their cost!

Matara Magistrate Mr. G. E. Amarasinghe persuaded a very young married couple at loggerheads and heading for divorce, to go home beaming with smiles. He simply said he thought they were the most fitting and most suitable and the best looking pair he had ever had before him in court. It would be a shame to part them. Flattered thus they evidently thought there was something in it, wise folks!

They went to court in a hurry but learnt to court!

Production of arrack at the Seeduwa Distillery will be held up because a sufficient number of Ceylonese tappers are not available. Contractors state that Malayalee tappers are more skilled than the Ceylonese, but the employment policy ties them down to the latter.

The Ceylonese must learn to climb higher!

Londoner William Ellis whose family has been making ivory billiard ball for three generations, has made a recipe for an ivory dust delicacy. He places the dust in a saucepan, covers it with water and lets it simmer gently for six hours. Then strains it and serves it. It tastes, he avers, like turtle soup, though his mother flavoured it better.

That's right, Willis, makes the most of your business. And you can afford to live in your ivory tower, too!

Reports of a gold strike in South Africa even richer than the fabulously rich Eridcer strike of the previous week were later denied by the Corporation drilling the shaft.

The gold-diggers this time were the newspapers, whereas the previous week it was the gold brokers.

1500 school children of Tokyo have sent a message through a Calcutta businessman to Pandit Nehru to send them a gift of an elephant for their local zoo.

Did they think the Indian Emperor had white elephants to spare?

A Galle couple marrying before the registrar, who were said to be both dumb had as witnesses also dumb persons.

Being dumb in married life counts a great deal!

Marvels of Science.

Newspaper by Radio

Latest developments on the transmission of pictures and printed matter by radio, justify one in surmising that the newspaper of to-morrow will be delivered not by rail or air, but literally by wireless. Powerful radio transmitters might be installed at the Presses. In the early hours of the morning, they would start broadcasting like any other radio station, with the only difference that instead of speech and music they would send out wireless waves corresponding to light and shade on each portion of the news-sheet as it is systematically searched or scanned by an electric eye.

The heart or rather the eye of the transmitter is a little electronic device called a photo-cell which is also used in cinema projectors, burglar alarms and many other instruments. It converts the changes in brightness of the light falling on it into changes in an electric current passing through it. The variations in the current can be sent through wires as is being done for picture transmission over short distances. They can also be broadcast over the air which is how we get some of our news-pictures of events abroad very speedily.

Facsimile Transmission

At home, if you are a subscriber, you would have tuned your radio set to the particular station and connected the picture reproducer or facsimile receiver to the radio set before going to bed. At 3 or 4 a. m. a relay like an alarm clock, would automatically switch your radio set on, and the roll of reproducing paper on the facsimile receiver would begin to get "printed". To read the morning paper with your early cup of coffee, all you have to do would be to go to the radio set, and tear off the very latest news, complete with pictures, cartoons, and of course the usual advertisements.

Facsimile transmission has been

done for a long time, but only in the past two or three years has speed and accuracy on a practical basis been achieved. J. V. L. Hogan in the United States developed a new system which was demonstrated as early as 1946. By this system copy can be produced at the rate of 250 words per minute which is faster than the average reading speed.

At the receiving end the original is reproduced by one of several methods using a photographic paper or a chemically treated paper.

Electric Brain Predicts Weather

Will Translate Languages Too

Mathematicians at the University of California are building an electric brain for the United States Bureau of Standards which, in addition to computing and predicting the weather, will be able to translate foreign languages. It will provide English equivalents of 60,000 words in each of the three foreign languages selected.

Those in charge of the project state that automatic translation of books and documents will ultimately be made possible by the use of magnetic tape and cathode tubes.

Deaf To Hear With Finger Tips

Scientists at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology are developing a device which, it is claimed, will enable the deaf to "hear" with their finger-tips.

The main sound of a speaker's voice will be transmitted by five electrical circuits to his finger-tips, and the deaf will be able to "listen" by touching the speaker's hand, says Dr. Norbert Wiener.

By using photo-electric cell it is also possible, he says, to make a walking-stick which will enable the blind to judge the outlines and distances of objects.

Jaffna Sports Association

4th Annual General Meeting

The Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Jaffna Sports Association was held last Saturday evening in the Police Recreation Club, Jaffna, with Mr. A. C. Fernando the Vice President in the chair. After the confirmation of the minutes of the previous annual general meeting and the adoption of the Audited statement of accounts, an interesting Report of activities for the year under review was read and was adopted.

A vote of appreciation on the excellent work done by the committee for the year under review was passed unanimously. Following are the office-bearers for the ensuing year.

Patron:- Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam.

Vice-Patrons:- The Mayor of Jaffna, Dr. S. Subramaniam, Rev. Fr. T. M. Long and Mr. C. Coomarasamy.

President:- Mr. P. J. Hudson (re-elected).

Vice-Presidents:- Messers. R. C. S Cooke, A. C. Fernando, P. Coomarasamy and R. Sivadasan. Hony General Secretary:- Mr. Mr. P. Selvaratnam (re-elected). Hony Asst. Gen. Secretary:- Mr. N. Sivasithamparam.

Hony Treasurer:- Mr. V. Kulasingham (re-elected). Hony Auditor:- Mr. T. S. Mutulingasamy.

Committee besides the President, Secretary, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-Presidents, the following were elected to serve in the Committee Messers. M. Rosario, Britto Motha, T. I. Abraham, K. S. Alagaratnam, S. Nadaratnam, S. N. Asservatham, and Lucian Keil.

The meeting was followed by a well-attended social. Mr. R. C. S. Cooke while thanking the guests, spoke of the objects and the scheme of activities for the ensuing year.

Cultivation Of The Life Of The Spirit

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yet. But heed Ye, O Man, a day will come when thou wilt weep and wail, gnash and curse; thy play and laughter will turn out into pain and tears, and then thou wilt raise up thy head and stare at the stars. Then is the Lord's Time. Upagupta, the child of the Blessed One responded to the importunities of Vasavadatta, the courtesan, not when she was proud of her skin and wealth and was seductive, but when she was cast off into the burial ground with her limbs severed, pride broken, and forsaken by one and all.

Sublimity of the Soul

From this it is not to be supposed that the search after the spirit is only a pious consolation without any content for the broken hearted and the dispossessed. Such occasions only provide the requisite psychological background for the proper display of the sublimities of the soul. The proud Pandava considered himself a friend and an equal of the princely Krishna; but the humble Partha became the disciple of his divine Sarathi. The opening chapter of the mopings of Arjuna was only a prelude and a probation to prepare Nara to realize the Narayana in him and enable the Lord to proclaim that He was Arjuna among the five brothers.

This quest after the Divine is incurably innate in every individual. But the spiritual sapling requires proper protection from the intrusion of the wild beasts in its infancy. It requires to be cultivated and nourished; otherwise growth will be stunted and it may get almost smothered. For the proper cultivation of the life of the spirit a healthy body is a necessity and our sages have sung 'Grow more Food; Do not despise food.' But they did not stop with the alimentation of the animal; they further sang, 'Food is Brahman and I am the Food and Brahman.' We are to grow this food. The field is within us. The Seed Imperishable is always there. The sapience of the sages have supplied us with the necessary nourishment for the tender sapling in their songs and in the scriptures. May be, the canals and channels are dry; rains of grace may seem to be scarce. But he is surely a foolish farmer who depends solely on the waters of the welkin. The prudent farmer will dig into the bowels of the field and set up an artesian well and he is assured of a perennial supply; the rains may, if it so pleases the gods, augment the supply and slightly allay the arduous task of digging. Rocks and marshes may open up on the way; nevertheless, so we are assured by the wise ones, if we persist in our digging and diving into ourselves, the Divine Deniz within the den of our heart will send up cool and fresh springs out of his abundance and bathe us in his glory and grace.

He is a Brahmana who is friendly to all

But the Hiranya in us is adamant and assertive. The old man refuses to be crucified. But the infant Prahlada is also within us. Or perhaps, Hiranya is only a cover for Prahlada to manifest. Let Hiranya or his benchmark try all their arts and crafts; the Lion among men refuses to be affected thereby. He may even allow Hiranya a certain latitude; even after Prahlada is born in him Hiranya may still be strong. Jean Valjean robbed the very

Bishop who succoured and welcomed him. But O! the pangs and pain that it cost the robber! And in the end the Bishop was reborn in the robber. The proud Prince of a Visva-amitra—the enemy of the word—yes, power in unregenerate hands is a veritable scourge to humanity—expended all his armoury against Vasishtha, the sage, and finally he cried quarter at Vasishtha's feet. But lo! by then he had become—Visva mitra, the friend of man and a Brahmana—only he is a Brahmana who is friendly to all—and he had no further spite or quarrel.

To combat Hiranya and his gang in the form of trials and tribulations, doubts and temptations one has to take refuge in the cloisters of one's own self. Constant cultivation of communion with the Divine is a prime necessity. By such persevering practice, one acquires intellectual conviction, ethical excellence and mental poise and then spiritual illumination results. Such are the salts of the earth, the pole-stars for the barques that are lost in the sea of life.

The search after truth

This search after Truth, some shallow minds, snub as selfish. They demand that the religious should do only social service and do good to others—as though one who does not know what is good for himself can do good to others! The present day society clamours for drops of medicines and alphabets for their children from the religious mendicant. But such a society is ignorant; it knows not what its oilment is and who the doctor is. But thee, O! Sadhu thou art to teach it to aim high, to aspire nobly and if it persists in its delirium, heed it not. Give not thy ear to the chidish prattles of the philistine. March thee on to thy goal. Those that call thee selfish are flesh-bound; never mind their chatter. Seek ye thy primary wisdom. Thou wilt then become truly Selfish—out of thy fulness thou may then impart the wisdom to thine own self in thy neighbour. Thou art then the pattern for society; thou art blessed and happy and thou shalt sing with the bards of old: 'The day has dawned for me; no more sleep for me; never more shall the sun set for me' and thy melody will rouse the sleeping souls and they will throng unto thee to be led back to the portals of paradise. And all can then share in the feast of the heavenly manna.

(From the Vedanta Kesari)

Plot To Break Welikada Prison

Prompt Action Foiled Attempt

Information received by a Jailer of the Welikada Prison and immediate action taken on it led to the foiling of an attempt by a group of prisoners to make their escape out of the jail by methods similar to those adopted by Gangsters in Chicago.

After 12 cell floors had been dug a revolver and 21 rounds of life ammunition were unearthed. The whole plot seems to have been hatched with great care and precision. The floor in which the implements were found hidden betrayed no sign of having been tampered with.

Human Problems

Experiments On Animals For Solution

Frank A. Beach, Professor of Psychology at the famous Yale University in the U. S., predicted recently that experiments on animals will someday supply psychiatrists or psychologists with information to solve human problems.

The American Professor explained that it is now recognised that abnormal behaviour of humans has its counter-part in the behaviour of other animals. "As more research is done along these lines I anticipate that general principles will be discovered which have very practical implications for the interpretation and even treatment of human disorders."

Many workers in psychiatry are giving serious attention to problems of abnormal behaviour in animals. Neurotic symptoms can be created in a variety of species. One of the major problems is to determine how such symptoms arise and how they can be alleviated or cured.

As an example of this work Dr. Beach explained that certain species of animals are being used in the study of stomach ulcers. He said that physicians have long suspected that ulcers in some cases are the result of the victim's state of chronic anxiety.

"It is perfectly feasible to use species that show a comparable condition in experiments and to keep them in this state of anxiety." Dr. Beach asserted, adding that this would be impossible in humans. It seems probable that these studies will produce ulcers like those found in human patients.

When ulcers are produced in animals, "we will be in a position to examine the physiological conditions responsible for the connection between continued emotional disturbance and disorders of the stomach lining", Dr. Beach declared. "This will be an important step toward the prevention of ulcers in human beings."

Problem Of Child

Bringing up

Discussing the problem of child rearing, Dr. Beach discounted the need for "radical changes" in the parent-child relationship. However, the Yale psychologist called for an educational programme to help people to "understand the tremendous importance of early experience in life of the child and to realise the long term effects of too much or too little supervision or support".

Dr. Beach pointed out three reasons why psychology is so important in rearing children to-day:

"Our grandparents knew a great deal about the practical aspects of child rearing. Perhaps the basic principles underlying the rules of thumb were not apparent, but the cause and effect relationships were clear enough.

"The human being is a marvelously adaptable organism. The over or underprotected child often makes compensatory adjustments when he comes into contact with others in his society so that the effects of undesirable parental relations may be toned-down. It is not the parents alone who shape the individual's personality.

The third reason, Dr. Beach explained, was that "there may be many more maladjusted people in the world than one is apt to realise."

Our Astrological Feature

WEEKLY FORECASTS

"SRIPATY"

FROM 19TH JUNE TO 25TH JUNE 1949.

ARIES Aswini, Barani, Kartikai 1st part—[Medha Rasi]

Your own personal happiness will reach a high level this week. You will stand to gain much through women friends. Good week for legal business interviews and travel.

TAURUS Kartikai 2, 3, 4, Rohini, Mirugasirisha 1, 2—[Idapa Rasi]

In this week many advantages will materialise through a renewal of a friendship. Pleasant atmosphere will prevail. You will make new friends and score more than one striking success.

GEMINI Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Purnapuram 1, 2, 3—[Mithana Rasi]

Not a very favourable week specially from the health point of view. If married a good deal of tact will be necessary if family harmony is to be preserved.

CANCER Purnapooa 4, Pooza, Ajilya [Kataka Rasi]

This is a propitious week for new undertakings. Don't let prejudices and a tendency to quarrels spoil your chances and happiness. Get down to serious work and you will stand to gain a lot.

LEO Maha, Poora, Uttira 1 part—[Singha Rasi]

The first 3 days of the week are not very favourable. Mental restlessness domestic troubles financial losses and official troubles shown. Things will improve after Wednesday.

VIRGO Uttira 2, 3, 4, Attachittirai 1, 2—[Kanni Rasi]

You find favour with your superior officers this week. Excellent time for dealing with anyone in authority. Don't ignore opportunities. Spend Tuesday and Wednesday with care.

LIBRA Chittirai 3, 4, Swathi, Visaka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Your friends may tax you a lot this week. Domestic harmony also will be very far away from you. Indications for minor accidents shown within the last 3 days of the week.

SCORPIO Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

Family ties will be the source of much difficulty this week. Friends may betray you on an important deal and it is advisable for you to lie low and keep your temper under control week end.

SAGITTARIUS Moolam, Pooradam, Uttiradam 1. [Thanu Rasi]

During this week opportunities will present themselves to consolidate long standing deal and to put through new ones. Prospect of speculative gains also shown. Change over in the family affairs will ease your mind a lot.

CAPRICORNUS Uttiradam 2, 3, 4, Thiruvonam, Avittam 1, 2. [Makara Rasi]

Strangers will help you out of difficulties this week. Concentrate on being adaptable to circumstances. A controversy over an old friend's affair may cause you a little worry week end.

AQUARIUS Avittam 3, 4, Satsajam, Pooraddati 1, 2, 3, [Kumbha Rasi]

A good week socially but expenditure will be on the rise still. Personal life takes interesting turn and new friendships develop rapidly. Don't indulge in speculation this week.

PISCES Pooraddati 4, Uttiraddati, Revathi. [Meena Rasi]

Good news of a money venture shown this week. You will also be able to straighten out both family and business affairs this week. Friends will help you a good deal week end.

ORDER NISI

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
POINT PEDRO

Testamentary Jurisdiction No. 406

In the matter of the intestate estate of the late Pancharatnam wife of Sinnakkuddiar Vallipuram of Puloly South, Point Pedro Deceased.
Sinnakkuddiar Vallipuram of Puloly South, Point Pedro

Vs Petitioner.

1. Vallipuram Vigneshwaran of do
2. Muttiah Thuraiaratnam of do

presently Jail Guard Mahara Prisons Guardian-ad-litem over the minor 1st respondent.

This matter coming on for disposal before S. R. Wijeyatilleke Esquire District Judge Point Pedro on the 29th day of March 1949 in the presence of Mr. T. Ponnambalam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner abovenamed and the affidavit of the Petitioner abovenamed dated 28th day of March 1949 having been read:

It is ordered that the 2nd Respondent abovenamed be and he

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is hereby appointed guardian-ad-litem over the minor the 1st Respondent and the Petitioner be and he is declared entitled as husband of the deceased abovenamed to have letters of administration issued to him in respect of the estate of the abovenamed deceased unless the respondents abovenamed or any person or persons interested shall on or before the 22nd day of June 1949 show sufficient cause to the satisfaction of this court to the contrary.

This 28th day of May 1949.
Sgd. S. R. Wijeyatilleke.
District Judge.
T. Ponnambalam
Proctor for Petitioner.
(O. 29, 14 & 17)

Psychiatrist's
Definition of SexConventional Meaning
Adopted

Advising psychiatrists to adhere to the conventional dictionary definition of sex, C. Charles Burlingame, M. D., president and psychiatrist-in-chief of the Institute of the Living, Hartford, Conn., disagrees "most heartily with those who would interpret sex as the whole of life and expand the definition accordingly." Dr. Burlingame expressed his opinion before the 19th annual scientific assembly of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia. "A part, but only a part, of man is his creative urge, and in turn, only a part of his creative urge is his procreative urge," the eminent physician-psychiatrist declared. Expanding the definition of sex to a meaning distinctly different from that cannot possibly aid the exchange of knowledge between scientific disciplines, nor can it contribute to patient enlightenment. In this connection, I also take exception to any dogmatic statement to the effect that sex, in accordance with its conventional definition, is always the strongest of all human emotions. Without being vulgar we can each recall to mind instances wherein self-preservation of the individual's social standing transcended sex as it is conventionally understood."

Emphasis on sex Deplored

Dr. Burlingame also expressed strong views on child training to the assembly of medical scholars. Child psychiatry, he said, needs "practical clarification" since its many and varied schools of thought "un all the way from those subscribing to the theory that the child should be unfettered and completely free to 'express himself' in any way he sees fit, to the school that advocates disciplinary measures and strict training in martinet fashion. Here again, going to the other extreme is obviously psychiatric nonsense. 'I also view with apprehension any technique that routinely interposes a psychiatrist or any one else between the child and the parent, which offers the grave danger of increasing the child's conflict, or the parent's or both. I also take issue with the 'love starvation' school, which propounds the theory that most, if not all, emotional troubles stem from the fact that the child's craving for love was never satisfied. Proponents of this school would have us running along dripping love all over the place until the child slips and fractures his future. Happily, the majority of psychiatrists deplore such psychiatric flights of fancy. In the demanding task of getting sick people well, they prefer keeping their feet on solid ground, with a grip on the core of valid scientific fact, other than flaunting their wings in the rarified atmosphere of 'psychiatric aviation.' I profess to hold no magic key to the door of mental and emotional mechanisms, about which, in fact, we in psychiatry still know very little that can be classed as unalterable scientific fact," he added. "But I do profess that we are on the way to fashioning the keys to the diagnosis and treatment of the psychological components of disease."

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Indian Leader's
Comments On
Current TopicsViews On Adult
Suffrage

In the course of a conversation, at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastriar, Liberal leader, answered a number of questions ranging from adult suffrage to abolition of death sentences.

Mr. Sastriar felt that adult suffrage was being introduced much too early and that there would be protests from many quarters if any one advocated its postponement, as there was a general feeling in the country that things would "right themselves in course of time. He suggested the selection of legislators by the villagers as an alternative. There should be some check on candidates standing for election making the wildest promises he said.

Equality

Speaking about equality, Mr. Sastriar said that equality of law in respect to all citizens was a British inheritance. Equality in the sense that any man can discharge any function irrespective of his qualification or training was equality running wild. There were high and low functions. Each had its essential place in the order of things. On the question of rights of women, Mr. Sastriar said that there was no reason why women, as women, should not occupy big posts, but their primary function was in the home.

Payment for Work

To another question, he replied that while legislators should not exploit their position and influence, it was necessary that they should be paid a salary for study and touring round their constituencies. The old idea that the ruling classes should come from a particular stratum of society was wearing out, as witnessed in England where the lower classes had equipped themselves to rule their country. The principle of adequate payment for work rendered required greater emphasis at the present time in India.

Prohibition

The inculcation of morality on the people by the Government, by the introduction of Prohibition, was a wild programme, he said. He asked what was the advantage to the erstwhile toddy addict by Prohibition? His purchasing power had been taken away by the levy of sales tax. He preferred a campaign of temperance to Prohibition.

Mr. Sastriar felt that the signing of the Atlantic Pact and the emergence of a Western European bloc had a sobering influence on the Indian policy. As a result, the signs of war had definitely receded. His sympathies were with the Western Democracies and he felt that the Communists must be repressed.

Divorce

Speaking about death sentences and divorce, Mr. Sastriar said that he would vote for the abolition of death sentences and for granting of divorce in extreme cases. Disloyalty on the part of the husband should not entitle him to loyalty from the wife on every occasion. Mr. Sastriar said that birth control methods ought to be made available,

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