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THE MARVELS OF MEMORY

Scientific Exploration Of The Mind

human mind, memory is a mys-tery, strange in its behaviour, un-predictable in its operation-

Perhaps its oddest aspect is that it works while you sleep. This was shown in recent experiments in "sleep learning" carried out at the University of North Carolina by psychologist Charles R. Elliot. Using the dormophone, a device invented by Max Sherover, which combines records and player, a timing apparatus to turn the records on and off and turn the records on and off and an underpillow speaker the psy-chologist was able to check the value of sleep learning against students who learned traditionally A group of 40 students was di-vided n two; hall were exposed to records playing nonsense sylla-bles while they were asleep. And to make sure they were asleep, their brain waves were checked during the playing of the recordings. The 20 given a chance at sleep learning were able to memo-tize the syllables far more quickly from scratch.

Hypnotism also has been used both to spur memory and to uncover psychically buried memo-ries in individuals. Under hypnosis, individuals have been abl to memorize material, and it to mind after being brought out of the hypnotic state. More important, hypnosis has been important, hypnosis has been used as a tool to uncover memoties otherwise hidden. Last summer, Dr. Nathaniel E. Selby of New York City hypnotized 23Year-old Mrs. John N. Norton of New Rochelle, who had suffered from amnesia since 1942. Through hypnosis has been designed. hypnosis, he cleared up much of her otherwise forgotten past, identified her as a girl who had disappeared in 1940.

Startling Results

More startling from the psychoanalytic point of view are the
results obtained by Dr. Robest
M. True of the University of
Vermont college of medicine. He
hypnotized 50 people and found
that 40 of them were able to tell
what day of the week both Christmas and their birthdays fell when
they were four, seven and 10
years old. Before hypnotism,

missioner for India in Ceylon will be the Chief Speaker at the public meeting at 3 p.m. (Continued on page 3)

To some psychologists, memory is a muscle you can strengthed by doing routine exercises. To some laymen memory is, at, best, a sieve with large holes. But to many scientific explorers of the human mind, memory is a mystery, strange in its operation. serves far greater than those or-dinarily suspected.

> vary so much as memory. Memo-ry experts are so skilled they have seen supermen from other planets. Take the ability to remem-ber figures, for example. A Ger-man student named Ruckle once astounded an international conby memorizing 204 separate nom bers in 12 minutes. If you think it's easy, try it yourself.

Magnitude of Memory Power

Or consider the Polish mathematician, Dr. Salo Finkelstein He could memorize the number 624706845986193261841 in exactly 4.43 seconds. An State University student, only by his initials in a scholarly paper, beat Finkelstein's record trze the syllables far more quickly by memorizing a 21-place figure than the others who had to start in 4.37 seconds.

> Some musicians have equally tenacious memories. Arturo Tos-canini knows by heart all the part in hundreds of symphonic and operatic scores Mozart once part in hundreds of and operatic scores Mozart once heard a long composition by another composer, promptly sat down and wrote it all out from memory,

> Two-fight-military memory is equally astounding. At a press conference General George Mar-ahall once asked each of the 60 correspondents present to ask him a question. At the end of the questions, Marshall spoke for 40 minutes and in the course of his speech answered every question that had been asked.

Does possession of this kind of memory mean a superior intellect? A few years ago, a study of some 300 geniuses showed less than

Gandhi Jayanti
In Jaffna

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The Ceylon Indian Congress, Jaffna, will celebrate Gandhi Jayanti on Monday, October 2, at Navalar Vidyasali, Vannarponnai. H. E. Sri V. V. Grir, High Commissioner for India in Ceylon will be the Chief Spirits Head of the memories in little real correlation between memory and intelligence. Take "Memory Thompson, the noted 18th century British doctor. In his accomplishments, save for his memory, Thompson was merely a slightly above average citizen. But among his other feats, he could draw from memory an accurate map of an entire London parish, down to every single railing shed and pump.

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Communist Leader's Suggestion

To Avoid World War

Italian Communist leader Palmiro Togliatti has declar-ed that war was not inevitable if people would realise that different social regimes could live peacefully side by

In an article in the newspaper Unita journal of the and some Co-operative officountry's 2,600,000 strong cers including Mr. V. Nada-Communist party. Togliatti rajah, the Additional A. R said "If every serious internal conflict which strikes at the base of social order to transdepotis, Tellippalai and Chunter them must lead to pakam, for a turnover of

formation and international

Vali-North Co-op. Stores Union

Sixth Annual General Meeting

The Sixth Annual General Meeting of the above Union was held at Mallakam on Sunday the 24th inst. There were present delegates from the 55affiliated Store Societies base of social order to transform them, must lead to international armed conflict it is evident we are heading straight for a third world straight for a third world sarned a profit of a little over war.

But it is just for this reason that the Communist leaders, anxious above allow avoid such a catastrophic prospect, have underlined that a frontier must be traced and maintained between the two spheres of social transformation and international

Harijan. Sri Gupta writes:

The Congress membership rules and the adopted struc-ture based on Panchayats and very exacting qualifications.

(5)to believe in equality of

opportunity and status for

These are great qualifications. Such qualified mo are to vote for office-bearership of the Congress organization. Persons who in addition to their possessing those primary qualifications should have the additional qualifications of putting in from day to day some active service to the nation in the shape of constructive activity are to be the effective members of the Con-

THE Indian National Congress gress assembling at Nasik has appointed a Committee to examine certain provisions of the Congress Constitution and suggest necessary amendments. The basic ills that clog the working of the Congress into dis-liamentary Board go to send THE Indian National Con-that is so, the Nasik Congress bring the Congress into dis-repute are analysed by Sri Satish Chandra Das Gupta in the current sue of the flaw and yet strive to do flaw and yet strive to do something revolutionary to ameliorate the condition of the massess? I doubt if it can be accomplished.

A Purge Needed

But the matter is not past remedying. The Nasik Conremedying. The Nasik Congress can proceed to form a body for scrutinizing the membership qualification of the qualified members. Those who are not qualified, shall have their names removed. The genuinely qualified members only will remain to form Panchavats. These Panchavats. "Regimes socially diverse can and must to-day exist side by side."

The Additional A. F. spoke on the good progress the Union had made during the year.

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(2) to eschew untouchability in every form,
(3) to be teetotallers,
(4) to be belivers in intercommunal unity and to have equal respect for faiths of other people,

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The number of Khadi-wearers in the country is very limited, particularly now. The number of those who have eschewed untouchability in every form is also limited. The implications have to be understood, analysed and test ed in regard to the immediate past of the aspirant for the qualified membership. If this is done there will be a great purge and a beginning for the ending of the fraud which in many cases, marred the fairthese effective members.

The scrutiny about the effective membership this year has shown that persons have classed as effective members who have not those it.

6 Months For Sword Attack

They are not Qualified
families and lone mothers
3,400 million rubles. This
year's budget has allocated
21,000 rubles for public health,
22,400 million rubles for
social welfare, and 4000
million rubles for mother's
allowances.

Free Medical Aid For
Workers

Free qualified medical aid
is ensued to the working
(Continued on page 2)

They are not Qualified
The Congress has examined
itself and to its credit, it had
the courage to disclose the rot
that has gone to the core. It
has applied the surgeon's
knife to one spot. But it is
only a partial work that has
been done.

Do the persons registering
themselves as qualified members of the Congress really
possess those high qualification
is ensued to the working
(Continued on page 2)

Hand In Hand With Economic Progress

THE report of the USSR Party devoted to safeguarding Central Statistical Ad the health of the people. ministration on the fulfilment of the Soviet Union's econo-

year registered a further expansion in the USSR of the network of hospital, principle of the Soviet public sanitary - prophylactic, and health - building facilities; activities in guarding the medical service establishments health of the working people. 300 geniuses showed less than 29 were blessed with remarkable memory. Among these 20 however, were Abraham Lincoln, James Watt, Edmun 1 Burke, Francis Bacon and William Makepeace Thackeray.

Health - quinting medical service establishments were appreciably supplied with the latest in apparatus and equipment; output of electrical appliances, laboratory equipment and highly effective medicines increased.

The progress of the Soviet public health service is not fortuitous. It is predetermined by the great unfiagging attention the Soviet Government and the Communist (Continued on page

Our leader and teacher. mic development plan in the second quarter of 1950 records also achievements in the sphere of public health.

The second quarter of this year registered a further.

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health service, directing all its activities in guarding the health of the working people. The Socialist state stints no means on the further improvement of its public health service. The variety of the A.1. C. C. in February the USSR the public health service was allocated for mothers with large families at lone mothers 3,400 million rubles, allowed and void.

They are not Qualified The Congress has examined



Kinda Organ

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1950

Treasure These Thoughts

That state which is free from fear, which is of the form of bliss, and which is not subject to any decrease, giv; me that; come quick, O Lord! what are you waiting for?

-BHATTA NARAYANA, STAVA CHINTAMANI,

MIDDLE-MAN IN CO-OPERATIVE TRADE on all.

MOVEMENTS THAT HAD BEEN inaugurated on the high ethical principle of humanitarian have been entrusted with their guidance and administration allow such establishments to deviate from the The President of the Town Co-op. Stores Union regretted very much to have to public-ly criticize the questionable methods adopted by one branch of the Co-operative Movement in direct opposi-tion to another. The sugar tion to another. The sugar deal which already has brought about a great confusion in governmental and business circles, has become such a rich source of revenue for Co-operative establishments that the different component institutions within the frame-work of Co-operative undertakings have thought it fit to adopt tactics to earn profits forgetting for the moment that such a course of action motivated by selfish ends only serve to alienate the sympathy of the public for social causes.

The structure of the cooperative movement has been over-burdened with super-imparallel establishments work and halving of advantages with the result that the very organisation which by very organisation which by its basic tenets should elimivery organisation which by its basic tenets should eliminate the motive of profit stores have organised themmaking has been compelled to go all out for increasing marting to D. R. O's divisions. These go all out for increasing mar-ginal gains to meet the soaravowed object of ringing the death knell of the producer and the buyer. For a time it looked as if the middle man in trade had disappeared. But if as arisen and that for the daffna Town Co-operative Stores Union alleges, the Co-operative Wholesale the Co-operative Wholesale the Co-operative Wholesale the data common and the the certain children could not be seided that there was no theory that the the was no theory that the the was no theory that the the was no the USSR. Hospitals staffed by the USSR. Hospitals staffed by the USSR. Hospitals staffed the USSR. Hospita

In the House of Representatives.

EDUCATION POLICY UNDER FIRE

SELECTION TEST RIDICULED

THE new proposals had plus. THE new proposals had their source in a demo-cratic conception exclaimed the Minister of Education opening the debate on the White Paper on Education. He asserted that the object of the scheme was nothing but the desire to give every opportunity and that in terms of absolute equality for the fullest development.

Explaining the justifica-tion for the selection test, Major Nugawela said that the backward child was a drag

Free Education

It was not the intention of the Government to deviate guage. welfare tend to defeat the in any way from the princi-very purpose for which they ple of free education declared had been started and to create the apologetic Minister and the apologetic Minister and misgivings in the mind of summed up by patting the the people where those who asserted schools on the back

The opposition immediatefundamentals governing them. ly opened fire with the Mem- for corruption. ber for Galle taking command. Himself an educa-tionist, Mr. Dahnayake tionist, Mr. Dahnayake could tell the House with an air of confidence that a selective test at 11 plus or 12 year was not helpful. He however found a Leftist argument for his inference, and that was, that the working class boy would be left in the lurch and wound up his criticism in the usual note that there was a conspiracy against the poor.

State Control of Schools

Mr Wilmot Perera urged the full control of all schools by the State.

Mr. V. T. Nanayakkara wanted the age of admission to be fixed and that at four

we cannot but exclaim that

central organisations do not need another provincial estagusto and fanfare the wellmeaning co-operators began a
social undertaking with the
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the death knell of the
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that the question of the national anguage should be decided early and that the dilatory tactics applied by

Supporting the proposals, Mr. C. E. Attygalle welcomed the provision for teaching English as compulsory lan-

Re'igious Interests

Mr. Albert F. Pieris want nominational schools.

Mr. A. Aziz saw in the Selective Tests ample room

Mr. J J. Fernando urged that the Catholic Mission should be permitted to open schools of their denomination as it was one of the Catholic principles to edu-cate Catholic in Catholic schools.

No Communal Thinking

Dr. M. C. M. Kaleel welinterests and departed from communal thinking,

Aptitude for Experiment

The erstwhile B. S. P. lead. er took the debate to a higher plane and examined the proposals in the light of the requirement how best the faculty of the child could be developed. He would not accept the proposal to stop at-tendance at 14 and declared that compulsory education should be up to 16

Local Bodies

Mr. S. J. V. Chelvanaya-kam said that he could not find any reference to the part local bodies were required to play in the new scheme

MEDICAL ATTENTION IN SOVIET RUSSIA

(Continued from page 1)

and children's consultation cians and gynaecologists centres, sanatoriums and rest homes. Today there is no such place in the Soviet land,

Regional centres in not even in the remotest

does not have a medical establishment furnished with all the requisite equipment and staffed with competent medical personnel.

The development of the Soviet public health services is proceeding on the basis of the incessant advancement of Soviet science. No other country in the world has as great a number of scientific research institutions as the USSR. These institutions cover all spheres of medicine. Soviet medical workers are not only constantly improving the methods and ways of institutions and over 2,000 patients regional sanitary aviation assurance that it temple assurance that it temple assurance that it temple and ways assurance that it is that it is that it is all the done according to vedas and Agamas. I have no wastion according to vedas and Agamas of the wastion had in 1949 made to wastion according to vedas and Agamas. I have no well assurance that it wastion according the present government to of Soviet science. No other retain English as medium of country in the world has as instruction could well be great a number of scientific understood in view of the existence of vested interests. USSR. These institutions effectively curing any disease but are also year after year increasingly broadening their sick prevention efforts. Prophylactic work holds a prominent place in the activities ed freedom to establish de of Soviet physicians who are unrelaxingly watching over the health of the working people. A special role in this field is played by the dispen-saries and polyclinics, the number of which has increasin the USSR since the advent of Soviet power 14 times over in towns and more than trebled in the rural communities.

Each Soviet town and industrial settlement has its rapidly expanding throughout district polyclinics dispen- the entire Soviet Union, in saries and hospitals giving complete medical service to the population and enabling physicians to form a full piccomed the proposals as having risen above sectional al condition.

All large Soviet industrial enterprises have their own polyclinics, consultation cen tres, hospitals, prophylactic (overnight) sanatoriums. For example, the Trekhgornaya Textile Mill in Moscow has its own polyclinic, dispensary, hospital, maternity - home three women's medical consultation centres, more than 10 kindergattens and nurseries, a children's country camp and overnight sanatorium and 10 kindergartens and nurser-

Attention By Specialists

Doctors and nurses visit tients at home free of charge. When necessary a physician will immediately direct a patient to the proper hos-

A considerable medical ser-

people of the USSR by a vast today working in the country-network of state hospitals, side is nearly double that of clinics, dispensaries, women's 1940, the number of obstetri-

USSR have sanitary aviation Denying any knowledge of the inspiration for the White Paper, Mr. W. A. de Siva was of opinion that the question of the half the development.

The development of the planes of the plan

countless meternity homes, avoidably confront them, in their countiess maternity nomes, children's medical service establishments, milk kitchens and a long line of other facilities stand guard over the health of the Soviet mother and her children, creating the most favourable conditions for the upbringing and development of the young generation. It will be noted that since the advent of Soviet avay shown in my last letter—and other does spring from the lopment of the young gener-tion. It will be noted that since the advent of Soviet since the advent of Soviet Power, the number of beds in maternity hospitals increased in the USSR 13 times in towns and 23 times over in the rural communities. All present and 23 times over in the rural communities. All pregnant

every one of the Soviet Republics In Kazakhstan, Kirghizia, Uzbekistan, Yakutia, where prior to the Revo-

growing with every year. Soviet higher medical instiannually graduate

guided by commercial considerations. He is a humane, ideologically inspired fighter for the health of the people. An important part in the Hence, his constant endea-Soviet medical public service vour to incessantly improve is played by the free care of the sick at their homes. enrich his experience, boldly apply in practice all valuable achievements of science, combating conservatism and stagnation. This is evidenced by rhe recent Pavlov Session at which in a broad



Hindu Temple In The University

Sir.—I wished well by the movement to put up a Hindu Femple because of Mr. Muttu-

women are ensured competent medical care.

The public health service is In this letter I who had volunteered to help the cause of our sacred religion to the latter kind of difficulty and

carnestly request them not to be too chary about it.

On the face of the very hopeful, earnest, encouraging, suggestive and sincere letter and far between and hospitals were situated hundreds of kilometers apart, today the population is ensured full medical service in conveniently located hospitals and other medical establishments.

The number of medical workers in the Heads and prayer-fully wait watch and wish its development. e and medical establishments.

The number of medical development according to the workers in the USSR is contemplated plan of the prime

movers.

Yours etc. C. NAGAIAH Hony. Secretary. of the above Sabai

surgeon who laid the foundation for the wide application of cornea grafting; or Nikolai Bogoraz, Member of the Academy of Medical Science of the USSR who has performed thousands of splendid restorative operations in restorative operations in restorative operations. ed thousands of splendid restorative operations in restorative surgery; and the ordinary rural physician Georgi Rumyantsev who has devoloped new effective methods of treating such ailments as asthma and many others.

Reading in the report of the

Bevin's Warning To Federalists Must Russia

British Support To U. S. Plan

The British Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, warned the Soviet Union that her policy of creating chaos by means of a Moscow-directed fifth column "has already taken too far for the been taken too far for the by M liking of the free world." kam. Before confidence can be established between West and can be East, 'there must be a with-drawal of the fifth column from the countries of our free peoples", Mr. Bevin told the United Nations General Assembly.
"In the meanwhile, no

amount of calling us war-mongers or hurling names at os will divert us. We are determined to pursue peace vened.

"2 Mr. G. G.

"We are equally determin-ed if necessary, to fight to the end for the liberty for which we have struggled so hard and which we are resolved to defend."

"Now that this unity in resistance to aggression had been forged we must not allow the slightest suggestion of paralysis to creep back into the organisation', Mr. Bevin continued.

In reference to the United Nations action in Korea he asserted the events of the last few months had shown that the peace-loving nations had as great a respect for law in the conduct of international affairs as in their own internal affairs.

"I do not think we need have any fear in in the future about the response of man-kind to aggression", he de-

Bevin pledged Britain's support for the aims of the Acheson plan to strengthen the United Nations. The American Secretary of State had called for a "police force" "I am in full agreement had called for a "police force" in am in full agreement to keep the peace and for emergency sessions of the General Assembly at 24 hours notice when the veto of us,

Accept Common Platform Decision

The Working Committee of the All-Ceylon Tamil Congress through its administraby Mr. S. J. V. Chelvanaya

The Working Committee has decided to get an assurance in writing from the Federalist leader that he will be bound by the following

that returned Tamil Congress Candidates in the General Election of 1947 or a multiple of seven meetings to be con-

given in writing by Mr. Chelvanayakam that he will abide by the verdict given by the public at the said meeting Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam has already given his consent to

"4. Mr. R. Sivagnrunather, Mr. A. V. Kulasingham, Mr. S. Balasundaram; Mr. V. S. Carthigesu Mr. Alfred Swam pillai, Mr. Aiyakone Selva-durai and Mr. I. P. Thurairatnam are appointed to convene date and time of the meetings and all other steps

Council action.

give urgent consideration to the Plan put forward by Mr. Acheson on behalf of the United States Government

tive Secretary announced that Mr. G. G. Ponnambalam K. C. "has taken up the alleg-ed acceptance of his challenge

conditions.

1. A public meeting in each of the seven electorates

balam K. C. and Mr. S. J. V, Chelvanayakam, K. C. will address the meetings.

"3. An assurance should be

necessary for the proper conduct of the same."

is used to prevent Security

Mr. Bevin said: 'We must

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for 1950

Our Astrological Feature

WEEKLY FORECASTS

FROM 1ST OCTOBER TO 7TH OCTOBER 1950

ARIES Aswini, Barani, Kar- LEO Maha, Poora, Uttira 1, SAGITTARIUS Moolam, Pooratikai 1st part-[Medha Rasi]

Planets are kind to you this week; you will make some useful link-ups and your business too will prosper. Domestic harmony and ruin to enemies.

TAURUS Kartikai 2, 3, 4, Rohi-nı, Mirugasirisha 1. 2 - [Idapa Rasi]

Health must be given particular care. Avoid tussles with wife and relatives. Casual undertakings will do well. Family life will be disturbed and you will find it difficult to make both ends meet.

GEMINI Mirugasirisha 3, 4, Thiruvathirai, Punarpusam 1 2, 3-[Mithuna Rasi]

A favourable week. Happiness promised. But expenditure be on the rise. You may have to part with someone who is dear and near to you.

CANCER Punarpoosa 4, Poosa, Ayilya [Kataka Rasi]

You will get some help from people of influence this week. Your worries will be lessened New friendships will prove helpful and you are bound to gain some thing in your new undertakings.

part-[Singha Rasi]

A change for the better in your essent situation promised. Financial problems will be solved trange matters of importance fore the end of this week. Don't additionally and saturday must be spent with care. present situation promised. Fi-nancial problems will be solved. Arrange matters of importance before the end of this week. Don't be quick to pick up quarrels week end.

VIRGO Uttira 2, A, 4, Atta, Chittirai 1, 2-[Kanni Rasi]

However careful you may plan this week is likely to bring in some upsets both financially and physi-cally. You will find it difficult to see where you are going. Avoid tussles and misunderstandings. It you are under favourable periods don't worry much.

LIBRA Chittirai 3, 4, Swati, V saka 1, 2, 3, [Thula Rasi]

Marked business progress pro nised But spend the first two lays of the week with care. Minor cidents and mental worries own. Tuesday favourable again. Veek end will bring in some unted good news.

SCORPIO Visaka 4, Anusha, Kettai [Vrischika Rasi]

The first two days of the week The first two days of the week favourable for new undertakings. Your friends will prove helpful and you will find life very interesting. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning must be spent with care. Week end will be favourable again.

dati, Revati. [Meena Rasi]

Quarrels and scandals will upset you a bit this week. Your domestic life is likely to be impaired. But a favourable time professionally. Go slow in your plans.

dam, Uttiradam 1. [Thanu Rasi]

CAPRICORNUS Uttiradam 2,

bring about some order in your chaotic condition of life. Don't take any rash actions but go slow in your programmes. Financially a good time.

AQUARIUS Avittam 3, [Kumbha Rasi]

Life will be a little stormy this week. You will have to make some drasting changes in your life. Your enemies will have a time to enjoy but in the end you will triumph. Avoid tussles and arguments.

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

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

Although certain beneficial changes of planets have occurred yet you will find it difficult to

Satayam, Pooraddati 1, 2, 3,

THE MARVELS OF MEMORY

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sor Roger J. Williams of the Uni-versity of Texas wrote eccently; facts is of little or no value "One of the most common men-tal abilities to be found among materials in the area in which the

dent who astounded everyone with his fantastic memory As an undergraduate, his memory won him the highest grades, finally earned him a Rhodes scholarship. Elated he prepared for his two years' stay in England and sailed amid the congratulations of his friends. But when he arrived at South-ampton he found he had forgot-ten his passport and couldn't

A Complex Problem

To show how complex the pro-blem has become, some psycholo-gists aren't sure there is such an gists aren't sure there is such an entirely as memory. Dr. Ernest Mr. Ligon, who heads the psychology department at Union College, recently said: "The people remember what they was term memory has about drop ped out of our psychological terminology. We speak more functionally of the capacity for memorizing." Then he adds a few facts about this "capacity" that are extremely useful to keep in Chicagos' famed measurer

tal abilities to be found among these classified as feeble-minded is the possession of an outstanding memory. He cities the case of an admittedly feeble-minded boy in an Ohio town, who spent his time memorizing the telephone numbers. If he remember is a person who has to remember the remember is a person who has to remember the remember in the remember is a person who has to remember the remember in the remember in the ability to recall past experiences which the individual at the time, was making no particular effort fix in his memory. Thurstone's ideas fit in with the remember research date, that is what he should practically and the ability to recall past experiences. The person needs to memorize the time, was making no particular effort fix in his memory. Thurstone's ideas fit in with the remember of the remember o date, that is what he should pracnumbers and automobile license numbers of his fellow townsmen. What's more, he could repeat them at will.

And even the memory experts themselves may not be perfect. Take the legendary Princeton student who astounded everyone with

Ligon's statements are demonstrated by recent findings According to the researches of W. W. Pyle, memory differs according to sex because the sexes are interested in different For example, girls have I far more acute memory about pects of furs, boys remember to the about topics connected with cree tricity.

In practice, psychologists have been able to point out that in-terests and abilities make some people more able to remember telephone numbers, some faces, other dates in history. Half a century ago, Williams James pointed out that, by and large, people remember what they want to remember.

To introduce another compli-

intellectual abilitees, L. L. Thurstone, has written that the ability to memorize is a primary mental ability that may or may not related to other abilities. Wh What's more there are indications of several distinct types of the ability to memorize. Specifically, be cities the obvious differences between the ability to memorize and the ability to recall past ex-

veloped showing that, for the purposes of memory, some of us are primarily eye-minded, some ear-minded, some perhaps even muscle-minded. The eye-minded muscle-minded. The eye-minded remember face, the ear-minded remember name. The skilful combine as many senses as possi-ble to spur their memories. Actors, for example, learn their roles not only through the meaning of the words, and the pattern the learned speeches make in their larynxes, but also through the eve

the learned speeches make in their larynxes, but also through the eyer. The handsome juvenile making love on stage probably is turning over his part page by page, knowing exactly on what part of the page the words he is speeking can be found.

Muscle Memory

Muscle memory also exists Take the average citizen who skates until his college days, later gets married, raises a family, and stays off the ice for a decade or two. The children grow up taunt oaps for not skating. So one day he dons skates, glides out on the ice. Much to everyone's amazement—including his own-after the first few hesitant strokes, he finds himself skating as well as ever. His muscles have remembered through the intervening years.

Muscle memory also is in-

No - Confidence' Motion Again

This Time Against Speaker

'That the conduct of Mr. Speaker in attending a business meeting of the Government Parliamentary Party on the 18th September 1950 has caused him to forfeit the confidence of this House' text of a motion notice of which has been given by seven members of the Parlia-

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Dr. N. M. Perera, Mr. C.
Suntharalingam, Mr. P. G.
B. Keuneman, Mr. K. Rajalingam, Mr. W. A. de Silva,
Mr. I. M. R. A. Iriyagolle
and Mr. Wilmot A. Perera are the signatories to the motion of no-confidence.

The Speaker stated that the motion would have to await his return from New

volved to a degree in learning things by repeating them out loud—which experts report is an loud—which experts repending efficient method of memorizing efficient muscles develop a pattern of learning to help you remember. But though the method has been checked and approved by modern psychologists, it has been used in practice in Chinese and Hebrew schools for

Chinese and Hebrew schools for 1,000 years or more, Outsiders may be startled by the unison chanting of students as they learn but actually they are following the best scientific advice. In some ways, of course, the psychologists already have charted some of the dimensions of memory, The start was made by bearded German professor at the University of Breslau, named Ebbinghaus. He decided to test the ability to memorize in as Enburguaus. He decided to test the ability to memorize in as pure a form as possible, so he used pure nonsense syllables like "bap". "Tok". "mux" and "rif".

Man-The Memory Champion

First he measured how long it took to learn varying numbers of such syllables. It took 13 readings to memorize 10 of the syllables. Seventeen readings were required when he upset the number of syllables to 12. Such findings have been substantiated by other psychologists. by other psychologists notably the Frenchman Binet. He found that a list of 11 numbers could be learned after four seconds of study, but it took 75 seconds to

learn a list of 14 numbers.

The moral here is obvious. you have something long to learn, you'll do better to break it up into small groups. I take less time to learn It will take less time to learn each group separate y than it would to memorize it all at a single gulp. Furthermore, once you really learn something.

learn something, it's great deal easier to relearn it. Much of what you once learned is probab-

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FOREIGN POLITICAL FORUM

Even Balance Of Parties In British Parliament

Election Issue To The Fore Again

BY ERNEST ATKINSON Well-known lobby correspondent

clearly known on certain out-standing questions of the day. This is provoked by the recent disputation over the nationalisa-tion of the iron and steel industry which goes ahead according to which goes ahead according to the decision, now several times repeated, of Parliament.

The decision, of course, was narrow. The Government can argue, and does argue, that when the Opposition says that the voting in Parliament does not reflect the voting in the country, the Opposition is bankering after the idea of a referendum which is not sympathetic to British political tradition.

It leaves open also, as of course it must, the question whether there is to be an election. Immediately after the Commons vote on steel on September 19 there was a frequent disposition, especially on the Government side,

For that matter so even a balance between Parties in Pacliament which does, in fact, fairly closely represent the voting in the country at large is nearly unprecedented in British political life. And if there is one thing the British politician likes more than anything also, it is a precent than anything also, it is a prece-

However, for once in a way both the balance of Parties in Parliament and the balance of voting in the country are fairly well in equilibrium. Indeed, when the Liberals vote with the Conservatives as they did on the when the Liberals vote with the Conservatives, as they did on the latest steel nationalisation division, it is possible to say that they represent more voters than do the Socialists.

Somehow the British public at large seems not to have taken very kindly to the idea of a political conflict since the end of the war. If one is to believe certain shrewd political observers, both British and foreign, the issues that have greatly excited Westminster and London in general have made much less impact in the provinces. In their view it is doubtful if many voiers really, gramme recently issued was not ground the provinces and the provinces in the really gramme recently issued was not fron and steel is still an issue to be fought over.

MPORTANT newspaper and other opinion in Britain is saying that there should be a General Election so that the opinion of the country should be clearly known on certain out.

None of that which I have just written could be proved. It is just a recording of responsible

election until some time next spring. Cautious observers were spring. Cautious observers were speculating with rather less assur-

No issue of confidence (which would involve new elections) is likely before the end of the present session, which is to be resumed on October 17. At the end of that month the new Parliaend of that mount the new varia-ment will meet and it will imme-diately be engaged on the pro-gramme that the present Govern-ment offers in the King's Speech.

Government's Claim

Yet the vagaries of the electoral system are such that even in the last Parliament, when the Socialists had a massive majority in Parliament, the Opposition Parties could count more voters behind them in the country. The Government can claim than even under that rule the country made a good recovery from the worst of the post-war difficulties.

Somehow the Desire a challenge where it likes over the half-radozed days during which the king's Speech is debated. The Opposition could for example, offer an amendment regretting that the Government had not seen fit to withdraw the nationalisation of the iron and steel industry. Whether it is to do so depends on the Party strategists and tacticians between now and the country made and presumably, much the same was a good recovery from the worst of the post-war difficulties. In practice, the Opposition can

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7 30 a. m. - Prayer Meeting, Thambiah Chathram, Kochchi-

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they judge that the time is ripe to consult the people again.

The Government has the ad vantage. But either side might in fact, find itself able to bring on the election. It would be careful to judge the climate of opinion beforehand.

Dr. Ralph Bunche Honoured

Award Of Nobel Peace Prize

The Manchester Guardian pays tribute to Dr. Bunche who has been awarded the Nobel Peace

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF JAFFNA

Testamentary Jurisdiction No-1207

In the matter of the intestate es-tate of the late Sellammah wife of Thilliampalam of Karainagar West Deceased

Annammah widow of Nallathamby of Karainager West Vs Petitioner

I. Sivayogam daughter of Nalla-

thamby
2. Ampalavanar Sanmugam
3. Kandiah Thilliampalam all of Karainagar West

Respondents

This matter coming on for disposal before Wm. G. Spenser Esqr District Judge. Jafina on the 10th day of July 1950 in the presence of Mr. A. Arumugam Proctor on the part of the Petitioner and the affidavit and Petition of the Petitioner having been read.

war. If one is to believe certain shrewd political observers, both British and foreign, the issues that have greatly excited Westminister and London in general have made much less impact in the provinces. In their view it is do beint the provinces. In their view it is doubtful if many voters really feel that the nationalisation of iron and steel is still an issue to be fought over.

These are bard matters to assess, especially from Westminster, where 'the atmosphere is strongly political. But one has heard such a view from so many quarters that they are worth recording.

What, then, could be an election issue? Paradoxically enough, it is likely that the people wond be moved more than anything else by the question whether there else by the question whether there are else by the question whether there are else by the question whether there are else to a serving the question whether there are else by the question whether there are else by the question whether there are else by the question whether there are not yet to the provinces. In the time, poppess, and minister and London in general late of the sisues could fire the said and the said Pattition of the said deceased as more allowed peace to take a potential shape.

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