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LAFF OF THE WEEK

"Now that you mention it, she did say something about picking up a

charley horse at tennis last week!"

BETWEENTOURSELVES

RELIGION IN RUSSIA

England, the president, whose name was Dr. McClean, who has

visited Russia several times since 1950, gave a report on his

used the term athiest and communist synonymously. Communism

is a political term, said Dr. McClean, and there are thousands

of communists in our churches in Russia. He visited Christian

churches in over a score of cities and said: "The Churches are

much stronger and more virile than for many years. Many I

visited were filled to overflowing and I was amazed at the

proportion of young people. There was a fervent enthusiasm I

have seldom seen equalled anywhere. They have suffered but

they have been purged and cleansed. Everywhere I went it was

visitors to Russia have reported. It is evident that over the

long history of the Christian Church persecution has cleansed

and invigorated the Church and no doubt history will repeat

was bitter persecution of Christianity, and thousands of devout

people suffered, many of them being tortured to death. This is

not to be wondered at considering the age in which these events

took place. The coming of Christianity, meant the overthrow of

heathen systems of religion, and so whenever there was a pagan

festival there was a fanatical and savage wave of animosity

being torn limb from limb by wild beasts, and while their heroic

courage frequently impressed onlookers, the lust for blood pre-

vailed as the frenzied crowds shouted: "Away with the atheists!"

was a young Roman named Adrian. He was a Praetorian Guard

during the reign of Emperor Galerius Maximian, a reign char-

acterized by much savage and brutal persecution of Christians.

In A.D. 280 Adrian was twenty-eight years of age and his skill

and daring as a soldier had led to one promotion after another.

Like the Apostle Paul many years earlier, he had been zealous

in the persecution of those who followed Jesus and for the same

reason - he believed they were a menace. But the calmness and

courage of those he was sent to torture made a deep impression

upon him. There was nothing young Adrian admired so much as

fortitude under suffering, and here among these Christians he

came face to face with such heroism as he had never seen on

not know. He was still young and his position well established.

No doubt his family was proud of a record so outstanding and

gives you this strength and joy in the midst of your sufferings?"

cision. He stepped up to where the heathen judges sat and said :

"Put down my name among those to be tortured, I also shall

suffered much, but his was a magnificent record, for never once

did he flinch in his loyalty to Christ. In A.D. 303 he was slain

at Nicomedia. His limbs were cut from his body on an anvil,

and he was then beheaded. For seventeen centuries he has been

the patron saint of soldiers who remember his fearless declara-

does in this life what the great day will do for all of us; separate

OUR QUOTATION TODAY is by Dr. Milner: "Persecution often

How great a struggle went on in the heart of Adrian we do

To 'one of the Christians being tortured he said: "What

"OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, in whom we believe," the martyr

AT THAT MOMENT Adrian made a swift and important de-

ADRIAN LIVED for twenty-three years after his conversion. He

OFTEN IN CROWDED ARENAS the spectators watched Christians

Among the many who showed almost unbelieveable courage

THIS IS GOOD NEWS and coroborates what observers, other

DURING THE FIRST three hundred years of its history there

most recent visit - in the Spring of 1955.

the same encouraging conditions."

itself in Russia.

against believers.

any field of battle.

a future so promising.

become a Christian."

tion: "Put down my name."

the wheat from the tares.",

LAST JUNE AT THE World Baptist Conference held in London,

DR. McClean began by expressing regret that most people

Editorials

CBC Take A Bow

While we're not in the habit of handing out bouquets to the CBC we could not but cast an approving thought their way on Friday evening as we heard H. V. Kaltenborn, dean of American news analysts speaking on that popular Ed. Murrow TV show, "Person to Person," state that American TV was falling down because of its few attempts to fulfill its purpose in the educational field and in the field of news analysis. The CBC has several good programs along this line, one being a regular Sunday night feature following the 11 p.m. news.

Action Wanted, Now

Stouffville Municipal Council has held the first meeting of the new year with the second slated for this Thursday evening, Jan. 19th. It's not too soon to expect action to properly organize our police force, which is presently practically nil. One good officer has been engaged -- another should be added immediately along with suitable transportation. The public is demanding action on this vital matter now.

Our parking laws are being flouted on every hand, the present officer is unable to be available at all times and thus general supervision is lacking. He is also, up to this week, still without a uniform. There is no proper transportation for the police and hooligans are finding it out every week. We will soon be returned to the hectic days of the pre-O.P.P. era.

The percentage of residents who complained of the cost of policing by the O.P.P. was negligible, but as was predicted, now that there are neither sufficient policing nor costs, there is grumbling on every hand.

Stouffville is a busy growing community and the residents demand up-to-date services. Few there are who complain of the cost if the service is good, but curtail the service and complaints pour in on every

It has always been an utterly ridiculous idea that one officer can be on 24-hour service, seven days a week and we are sure the one new man engaged will agree. .The time to set this department up properly is now. This is a vital matter and one on which council should not hedge. Stouffville has had councils in the past who operated on stall and delay tactics for an entire twelve

months. We believe the 1956 council is made up of vigorous members who will move with determination and we await with interest their course of action.

Friday, The Thirteenth

Pity the poor soul who is overly-superstitious in

Have you heard that this year, Friday 13 occurs three times? Once this month, once in April and once in July? Think of it . . . three times in one year when bad luck can multiply. We knew of a woman who was so superstitious that she just couldn't bring herself to go anywhere - even to work - on Friday 13. It got to the point where she wouldn't even get out of bed on a Friday 13.

Not only that, but it is Leap Year, too. The unwary bachelor will surely get himself coralled this year and probably on one of these Fridays.

We don't happen to be superstitious so it shouldn't bother us. We never care about walking under a ladder or spilling salt or breaking a mirror or having a black cat cross our path. Things like that are so childish, really. After all, what could a black cat possibly have to do with our fate? Why, that's silly. We are not now, never was and never will be superstitious.



For Parents Only EMOTIONAL STABILITY

By Nancy Cleaver

childhood.

"It almost makes you scared when you find out that there are more mental patients occupying beds in our hospitals than those suffering from all the other varied illnesses! What if our boy or girl should become unbalanced in adult life because we have been unwise in our training?" one mother asked a friend.

"We can only do the best we can and combine the good advice of experts with our own spent on clothes. Giving a child for his personal appearance. common sense," the companion freedom to make a decision. The chance to discuss a wor- C. E. Hunking. answered reassuringly.

suggested.

ents are reluctant to allow their home and by making his friends | children born each year will Mr. Millen's birthday.

who has a hard time reaching at school.

ing, boys and girls should have a stake in the job he is doing, tomorrow! more and more chance as they It spoils things if he says to grow older to select their ap- himself, "If I forget, or don't. parel within a price range do this well, mother will see which fits into the family bud- to it." A child does need to be get. Appearances matter so reminded to feed his dog, or to much to adolescents that they have a haircut, but more and often want to supplement with more he should assume respontheir own earnings. money sibility for his pet's meals and burne visited with her son and gives him the possibility of ry, with an understanding par-

tario Hospital at Penetang, in surely this is all to the good! I troubled by fear of the dark, at Newmarket. a speech on Mental Disorders. A little child's friends are older children frequently are Mr. and Mrs. Eric Morby and gave four practical suggestions usually those living in the same alarmed that they will fail at family were dinner guests with to parents. "The background neighborhood. In the lower school, teen-agers dread being Mr. and Mrs. S. Doner, for emo tional stability can be grades in school, a child's unpopular. If only the channel | Calvin Carrington made a rebuilt up by encouraging a child friends are selected from among of communication between par- markable recovery in hospital to make his own decisions, by his classmates. As he becomes lents and children is kept open following his accident in Dehelping him to make friends, by older, and has more individual so they can confide in each cember. He and his mother reencouraging him to take respon- interests. he becomes more other, hard experiences can be turned home last week. sibility, and by providing op- "choosey" about his compan- faced with courage! portunities for him to bring his ions. Parents help a child in! Mental health is the concern entertained Mr. and Mrs. Robt. fears out into the open," he his growth of interest and affect of every Canadian citizen, est Millen of Toronto and Mr. and

A child shows a very different her lifetime in a mental instiside of his personality to a tution? Did you know that men-Mothers and fathers are often | child to make up his own mind chum from that which he shows | tal sickness accounts for more | wasted. confused by the emphasis to about what he should do, and to a brother or a sister. Ted, lost time by wage earners than day on mental health and the sometimes about what he who is bossed around by older cancer, polio and TB combined? warnings to parents that much | should think on controversial | brothers and sisters, may be a | In a recent year, 1954, one out

Not long ago, Dr. W. A. Card- making a foolish choice. But if ent, often makes it seem much to Mr. and Mrs. John Reesor, well, Superintendent of the On- he learns from his mistake, less troublesome. Little folk are on the recent birth of their son

tion for his peers, by providing pecially parents. Did you know Mrs. Milton Heise and family of Many forceful, dominant part play material or equipment at that one out of every twelve Richmond Hill in honour of

welcome when they "drop in." | spend some time during his or emotional instability begins in subjects. The hesitant adult, leading spirit in his own "gang" of every 225 Canadians', was treated in a mental hospital. a decision usually has had in- Learning to be responsible is We are challenged to do all in sufficient practice in thinking a long, slow process. But it is a our power to give our children leading to action in his child- necessary part of growing up. the emotional stability that will Busy mothers sometimes for help combat mental troubles In choosing articles of cloth- get that a child must feel he has for our youngsters today and (Copyright)

GORMLEY

Mrs. C. Milsted Mrs. E. Hunking of Sheldaughter-in-law, Rev. and Mrs.

Congratulations are extended

Mr. and Mrs. George Barrett



WHERE'S THAT HIGH NOTE?-Mishel Piastro, conductor of "The Symphonette" orchestra, tries out a program 'idea on his blonde cocker spaniel, Amber. A musical dog, Amber has attended backstage every one of the orchestra's New York concerts for the last five years.

To Replace Old Jail

The County jail, subject of | Kitchen and laundry facilities Provincial Government appro- fire trap. Warden Harry Peel.

The old jail was built in 1853. lace who started construction under difficult conditions. of both the Court house and Sccurity Good the jail in that year.

It was one of the provisions of separation of Ontario Coun-York, Peel and Simcoe that before the county could be set buildings.

Call For Tender Accordingly the Provisional Council of the County engaged the services of Cumberland and Storm, a firm of architects of Toronto. Previously the firm had submitted plans. Authorization was given the architects to call for tenders for the county buildings. A tender submitted by James Wallace in the amount of £5,795 was accepted. The cost of the old jail was not separated from the total. The new jail will probably cost

close to half a million dollars. Stone for the old jail was brought from Queenston. The walls of the jail and the divisions between the cells are 18 inches thick.

Many improvements have been made to the structure during the years in an attempt to modernize it. When electrical power became available, the building was wired and electric fixtures replaced candles and coal oil lamps. Plumbing was installed to replace the outside conveniences. The results still fall far short of present day construction.

Worst In Province Three years ago the jail was Permanent Waving termed the worst in the Province by a select (committee. Grand juries down through the years have found many faults and brought in critical reports.

Twenty-five years ago, one cell block was re-modelled. The stone walks were torn out and steel bar cells installed. Subsequent councils failed to continue with this work in the belief that money spent in the old building was to some extent

The jail was built to accommodate 20 prisoners. In recent years as many as 49 have been incarcerated in the same space. The women's cell block has been used for male prisoners and any females have been detained in a room set apart as a hospital ward.

much criticism in the past, is are obsolete, as is the heating to be replaced by a new struc- system. A recent grand jury ture. The welcome news of report termed the building a

val of a new jail was relayed to | Both the select committee and County Council recently by grand juries have given high praise to the jail governor, Mr. James Sutherland, and his staff The contractor was James Wal- for a good job of housekeeping Security has been good. Two

years ago two men engineered an escape. One was picked up ty from the United Counties of in a matter of hours, the other eluded capture until he was picked up across the line on anup it must have its own county other charge. The last execution took place some eight years

In the early days of the country idiots and imbeciles were housed in the jail. Today these unfortunates are given more humane treatment.

Earlier this year the County Property Committee were authorized by council to investigate the jail situation. Negotiations were opened with the Department of Reforms Institutions and the City of Oshawa. Preliminary talks were very encouraging.

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