Canadian women in 1976

During the past year, the Anglican Church of Canada ordained six women to the priesthood. Another, 29-year-old Pamela Jo McGee, was ordained Canada's first female Lutheran pastor. Mitzi Dobrin, vice-president and general manager of Steinberg's and



Dr. Julie Loranger became co-ordinator of the Status of Women.

Miracle Mart stores, became the first woman to sit on the Royal Bank of Canada's board of directors shortly after the Bank's announcement that it could not find a qualified woman, despite an extensive search. Subsequently, the Bank of Nova Scotia named two women, Marie Wilson and Helen A.



Beryl Plumptre, former vice-chairman of the Anti-Inflation Board, was elected to the board of directors of The Canada Life Assurance Company.



Aileen V. Manion was elected the first female vice-president of the Public Service Alliance of Canada.

Parker, to its board of directors.

Some of the achievements for and by women during 1976 also included:

The unveiling of a statue in Winnipeg, Manitoba, dedicated to the contribution of women in Commonwealth armed forces in both world wars.

Saskatchewan's Law Reform Commission proposed legislation that would



Dr. Hsio-Yen Shih, formerly curator of the Royal Ontario Museum's Far Eastern department, succeeded Jean Sutherland Boggs as director of the National Gallery of Canada.

give both marriage partners equal management, control and occupational rights in their home.

The Alberta Supreme Court, in a precedent-setting judgment, ruled that divorced women could claim financial support from their husbands any time after divorce.

The Montreal Junior League, in changing its "tea-party" image, began a new career-development program to provide volunteers with special training.

Employers in Ontario paid \$600,000 to female employees who were paid less than men doing the same jobs



Iona Campagnolo was appointed Minister of State (Fitness and Sport).

during the past three years.

Volume II of the supplement of *The Oxford English Dictionary* carried, for the first time, the term "Ms", defined as "a compromise between Miss and Mrs."

Barbara Clasz of Edmonton, Alberta became the first female to be named



Irene Johnson, former commissioner, Public Service Commission, now director-general, Manpower Training Branch, Manpower and Immigration.