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Day Of Prayer Services In London Representative Of World's Observance

In common with women of all colors, races and creeds the world over, the women of London recently went to church to take part in the World Day of Prayer services throughout the city.

The theme of this year's service, which was prepared by Miss Sarah Chako, of India, just before she died, was "That They May Have Life." Mrs. Frank Howson was key woman for this year.

At Dundas Centre United Church the women from churches in the central zone of the city heard Mrs. John Y. MacKinnon say: "Faith in God and prayer are the two things we need. Lent must be more to us than just self-denial. It must be self-sacrifice, a surrender of our whole lives to God. Jesus gave His life for us. We can do no other than give ours to Him."

Referring to Dr. Chako, Mrs. MacKinnon said she was a very outstanding woman who had played a great part in the educational life of her country. In 1948 she was appointed a delegate to the first meeting of the World Council of Churches and her ability was recognized there when she was made head of a commission dealing with the work and life of women in the church.

But, a short time before the World Day of Prayer, Dr. Chako died and Mrs. MacKinnon said: "I feel that because of that we should, today, be thinking of her family and of her colleagues on the staff of the college of which she was the principal, as they take part in this service today with sore hearts. We share in their sorrow because a woman of that kind means such a lot to all of us."

In this service Mrs. MacKinnon said: "We praised God for His goodness to us, we asked forgiveness for our misdeeds and we thanked God for His Son and for the giving of His life on our behalf."

She went on: "We prayed for our Queen and the royal family. In doing so we have committed ourselves to loyalty to her and to everything she represents."

"We have interceded for the citizens of world nations, for the citizens of this Dominion and in our own community and in doing so we have again committed ourselves to be law-abiding Christian citizens."

"We have interceded for peace and that prayer counsels us to clean our minds of all racial, religious and class prejudices. We have interceded for our homes and families and if that prayer is to be answered it means taking stock of our homes and our own families and of our place as Christian women in those homes. We prayed for the missionary societies and committed ourselves to support those organizations."

Mrs. MacKinnon said she felt all should resolve to be better Christian women. "This can be accomplished only by having a deep faith in God and by keeping very close to Him in sincere prayer," she stated. "If

we are ever going to accomplish anything in this world we must make ourselves worthy Christians. As we develop world values we can hope for all citizenship in the world to come."

The service was led by Mrs. Heber Gibson, Dundas Centre United Church. Others taking part were Mrs. James McNiven, First-St. Andrew's United; Mrs. William Govan, St. Paul's Cathedral; Mrs. Herbert Vicary, Empress Avenue United; Mrs. (Major) Wilfred Hawkes, Salvation Army; Mrs. L. D. McCamus, Metropolitan United; Mrs. Earl Riggs Talbot Street Baptist, and Mrs. W. D. Sutton, St. George's Anglican.

Other services in the city, under the direction of the London Council of Inter-Church Women, were held as follows: East section at St. Barnabas Anglican Church; east centre at Cronyn Memorial Church; northeast at Maitland Street Baptist Church; north, northeast at Knollwood Park Presbyterian Church; southeast at Grace United Church; south-central at Erskine United Church; southwest at Wortley Road Baptist Church; south, southeast at St. Stephen's Anglican Church.

Services were also held at the Parkwood and McCormick Homes and an innovation at this year's World Day of Prayer in London was the attendance of the executive to conduct services at the private hospitals in the city.

For those people unable to attend services during the day, two evening services were held, one at Metropolitan United Church and the other at Grace United Church.

During the day, services were also held at the city's 22 public schools and the four secondary schools.

AID FOR HOSPITALS

Action of the Ontario minister of health, Hon. McKinnon Phillips, in introducing a measure in the Legislature providing for a more equitable arrangement on behalf of indigent patients will remove some of the burden on hospitals. His measure will mean an extra \$2 a day for patients from municipalities outside London and Middlesex.

It has been contended that the amount paid by municipalities on behalf of such patients fell far short of meeting the cost of treating them. As a result private patients from outside points have been faced with a surcharge in some institutions, including Victoria Hospital in this city. Higher payment for indigents may make it possible to drop the surcharge. It will also help in carrying on the work in hospitals that have become centres for advanced care.

In connection with this change Mayor Rush of London deserves considerable credit for setting the ball in motion by his demands over some time past for increase in payments for indigent patients comparable with increases in hospital costs.

HOST

Everyone has two distinct personalities. One when he's walking and one when he's driving.

A person who knows it's what the guests say after they leave that really counts.

Artist Wins Freedom In Own Style

Detroit painter Hughie Lee-Smith lives by his art alone.

He doesn't teach. He doesn't do commercial assignments. Sometimes he accepts a portrait commission but only "if the subject interests me."

Lee-Smith keeps strict hours in his studio at 9 Willis west. He paints from 9 a.m. until his skylight goes dark. Then often he sketches half-formed ideas while his portable high fidelity set furnishes inspirational music.

This artist won his independence by painting beautiful pictures in an era when the abstract and the grotesque are tremendously admired. He is a romanticist, which until recently was considered old-fashioned. He is a realist in that he paints with literary forms and symbols.

BEST IN 2,000

Experts, who judged the last Michigan Artists Exhibition at the Art Institute, thought Lee-Smith's small Negro piper was the best picture among more than 2,000 submitted. They awarded him top prize. The public likes Lee-Smith's art. Twice they voted him popular prizes in all-state annuals.

This artist divided his life between two industrial cities—Cleveland and Detroit. When he was in a Cleveland high school he won a Scholarship Art Awards scholarship in national competition. Today Scholastic hands out 140 scholarships. Lee-Smith competed for one of 11 offered.

The scholarship brought him to the Detroit Society of Arts and Crafts School, where he stayed one year. Back home in Cleveland he joined the Karamu Theatre Group and acted, danced and painted sets. At this time he taught art at a settlement house.

Young Lee-Smith's efforts won him the Gilpin Players Scholarship, which was established by a Negro artist. With this grant he was able to enroll at the Cleveland Institute of Arts.

Face Disciplines

"We had our choice of two art courses—commercial techniques or portraiture," Lee-Smith said. "I took the portraits and never have been sorry. The human face gives you the discipline you need to paint anything."

Lee-Smith joined the WPA art project and learned lithography. In '41 he came back to Detroit to make his home and shortly left for the Navy, where he served 19 months during World War II. Most of his military career was spent painting murals at Great Lakes.

Last year belonged to Lee-Smith as far as art honors were concerned. He was invited to join Kraushaar Gallery stable of painters in New York and he's featured there now in a group exhibit. He's been included in more than one dozen group shows in this area and won a prize at the State Fair exhibit as well as in the all-state annual.

Urges Ontario To Tighten Anti Discrimination Law

(By George Ronald, Free Press Staff Writer)

Toronto, March 1 — The Provincial Government was urged today to consider legislation against discrimination in public accommodation.

Kelso Roberts (PC, Toronto St. Patrick) said in the Legislature that discrimination because of race, color or creed "is not too acute in our midst." But, because of "occasional excesses" in gave cause for constant reflection.

He noted that Ontario has some laws against discrimination but said: "There does remain the occasional discrimination in public accommodation and service."

At least 18 states of the United States had legislation against this type of discrimination.

Premier Frost announced that the report of the select committee on cemeteries will be brought in tomorrow.

In reply to a question by Opposition Leader Farquhar Oliver, the premier said he will make an announcement on the proposed redistribution of seats in the Legislature by the end of the week.

Urges Highway

Calling for more safety measures on Ontario highways, John Yaremko (PC, Toronto Bellwoods) said unreasonable speed and the disregard for others are the two chief causes of traffic fatalities.

He called for proper driving instruction of youngsters, re-examination for physical fitness, an annual check of motor vehicles, and suggested auto manufacturers concentrate more on safety measures than style.

"Surely an engineer who can design a car top that goes up when a rain drop comes down could design a frost-free window."

Directional signals should be considered standard equipment on every car and safety reflecting type tape should be installed on every vehicle's bumper.

C. G. MacOdrum (PC Leeds) termed the traffic problem on No. 2 Highway from Brockville to Cornwall as "serious."

"The highway is presently incapable of handling the traffic. I urge that some work should be done on it."

Mr. MacOdrum also called for the formation of a corps of parole officers for the province.

Exhibits Work

From March 16 through March 31 Lee-Smith will have a one-man exhibit at Werbe Galleries, 19458 Livernois. His 17 new oils on masonite include children, lovers, actors on moody beaches and two excellent portraits.

Before his Detroit show opened Lee-Smith was hard at work on new paintings for an April solo in Ann Arbor. His new subjects are set against water instead of the familiar romanticized buildings. "No, I don't really sketch at the river," he said. "My pictures come from memories of scenes I've always known."

Negroes Now Hold Top Fed. Positions

With the appointment of Ray and the re-appointment of Horne, the GOP has placed 22 Negroes in important positions, of whom six are women.

Negro women now hold top posts in Government under the new Administration are Mrs. Jane Morrow Spauld, assistant Secretary of Health Education and Welfare; Miss Roberta Church, minority groups consultant in the Labor Department's Bureau of Employment Security; Mrs. Ruth Mueller, Assistant to the director of the Women's Division of the Republican National Committee; Mrs. Lois Lippman, White House secretary; Mrs. Carmel Carrington Marr, assistant to Ambassador Henry Cabott Lodge; and Mrs. Jessie Vann, a member of the President's Foreign Aid Board.

In the field of housing, other than the two just named are Philip G. Sadler, race relations director of the Public Housing Administration and Reuben A. Clay, Race Relations Officer, in Richmond, of the Federal Housing Administration.

The other appointments include Jesse Locker, Ambassador to Liberia; the Rev. Archibald Carey, alternate delegate to the United Nations; Attorney Vernon Green, legal council staff of Postmaster General; Scovel Richardson, member of the United States Board of Parole; Louis B. Toomer, Registrar of the Treasury; and Everett Frederick Morrow, adviser on business affairs for the national production authority of the Department of Commerce.

Attorney J. Ernest Wilkins is vice chairman of the Government Contracts Committee; John W. Mitchell, staff of co-operation extension work, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Paul R. Williams, President's Committee on government Policy and Program; Lester B. Granger, special consultant to the Secretary of Navy; Brig. Gen. B. O. Davis, American Battle Monument Commission; and the re-appointment of Dr. Robert Daniels to the Foreign Aid Board.

WOMAN WINS

EDITOR AWARD

A woman editor Saturday received the annual Frankfort Press Achievement Award at a luncheon at the Park Shelton Hotel.

Mrs. Gladys M. Johnson, editor of the Detroit edition of the Pittsburgh Courier, was the woman honored. She was selected for the \$250 prize for outstanding service in improving race relations and "strengthening the bonds of brotherhood."

The luncheon climaxing National Negro Press Week, was sponsored by the Frankfort Distilling Co. Bov. Williams presented the award.

Mrs. Johnson lives at 8515 Beau-bien. Her husband, James is a photographer for the paper. She is active in the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and has several business interests in addition to her editorship.