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**World Day Of Prayer R. Hill United Feb. 13**

Friday, February 13th, is the day the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada has set aside for the World Day of Prayer. In this district a joint service for the women of St. Mary's Anglican, Richmond Hill Presbyterian, Baptist, Free Methodist, and Richmond Hill United Churches, St. Matthew's United, St. Gabriel's and St. Barnabas' Anglican, will be held in Richmond Hill United Church at 2.30 p.m. Mrs. C. G. Higginson will be the guest

speaker, with Mrs. R. P. Robbins as soloist. All the women from these eight churches are urged to join in this great service, which has been adapted from a service prepared by the Christian women of Egypt, for this year. Last year's offerings in Canada amounted to over \$46,000, and this sum was divided among evangelistic, educational and medical missionary work.

**Six In-Service Lectures Enjoyed By Teachers**

For the past six weeks an in-service programme to assist kindergarten teachers in the Inspectorates of York 1, 2 and 3, to keep abreast of the changes and advances in both theory and practice has been held once a week in the O. M. McKillop Public School, with Mrs. Rihmora Connell, B.A., primary specialist at the Hartman Jones Memorial School, East York, as the lecturer. The teachers attending these study groups are endeavouring to have this course recognized by the Department of Education as a "credit" and in this respect have the full approval of Supervising Principals Duard Rose and E. J. Sands, and Inspectors W. J. MacLeod, Maynard Hallman, E. M. Dunn and D. J. Adams. Mrs. George Smith, kindergarten teacher at Walter Scott School is president of the group and invited "The Liberal" to attend the final meeting of the winter session. Another series of lectures is planned to commence in April.

Five years is one of the most important years in a child's life, we learned. It is the age of great progress, when the child emerges from the cocoon of the home into the great world of shared knowledge and experience. It is the age when he begins to cope with life—on his own two little feet. Contrary to the belief that a five year old kindergarten child is on the lowest rung of the ladder, we received the impression while listening to Mrs. Connell talk, that rather is he a man of many parts as he begins to master public relations, co-operation, group activity and the mystery of language and its meaning and interpretation. Once it was thought that in order to teach, a teacher must subdue her young charges—hence the old story about the child attending school for the first time who said afterwards: "I can't read, I can't write—and now I can't even talk!" But today's kindergarten teachers are taught to recognize the child as an individual who is developing a mind of his own, with assistance. And today's kindergartens are bright rooms filled with "growing plants" and flowers where healthy, happy noise is not discouraged, at least during certain periods of the school hours. An interesting kindergarten, Mrs. Connell said, planned to broaden the five year old's intellect, promotes ease in acquiring good social relations, she referred to such a simple thing as a teaparty (with the daily fruit juice consumed as the children sit in a friendly circle with their teachers) and said it promoted conversation in an animated and natural way. Following the lecture the teachers enjoyed supper and a discussion period before dispersing. They are all looking forward with interest to the next series of lectures beginning in April, when a Workshop will be held.

**Metro & Region Conservation '59 Preliminary Budget \$1,753,489**

A 1959 preliminary budget totalling \$1,753,489 for this year's program by the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority was presented to the executive committee recently. The total is nearly \$733,000 more than the amount spent by the authority last year. Most of this is directed towards land costs and development of conservation areas. Land costs for 1959 are tabled at \$668,000 compared to last year's \$442,622; while conservation areas development this year would amount to nearly \$543,000 as compared to the 1958 total of \$37,374.

approved by Metro Council. He said engineering advice indicated that the creek channel is capable of handling, 3,500 cubic feet per second water flow. If the dam was not built, the channel would have to be designed to withstand a capacity of 7,300 cu. ft. per second. "This is one of the main reasons why this authority has included construction of the 13 multi-purpose dams in the overall flood control program," he pointed out. He warned that the Black Creek channel which runs through North York and York Townships was "in jeopardy" until the dam is built. "The dam would take the sting out of any flood that might occur," he said.

Land costs for 1959 are tabled at \$668,000 compared to last year's \$442,622; while conservation areas development this year would amount to nearly \$543,000 as compared to the 1958 total of \$37,374. Of the MTRCA's levy would be \$924,676 while the provincial government grant would amount to \$828,813. After the budget has been approved by the executive, it must be ratified by the 51-member authority at its first 1959 meeting. Date for this has not yet been set.

Today's meeting saw approval of a trial Dutch Elm disease control scheme for the town of Ajax subject to the approval of the town and the Ontario Government. A survey carried out last summer by the authority indicated that about one per cent of the elm trees sampled in the 950-square mile area were found to be infected with the disease. However, Ajax, about 15 miles east of Toronto, was found to have an incidence of 57 per cent. It is understood that a public meeting open to representatives of the municipalities in the MTRCA area is to be held February 12 in North York Memorial Community Centre. It was also revealed at today's meeting that during 1958, some 350,000 persons had visited the authority's four developed conservation areas—the Boyd, Albion Hills, Heart Lake and Greenwood. Total income from vehicle parking, boat rental and admissions to the Pioneer Museum amounted to \$37,821.00. The authority now owns 2,559 acres of conservation lands, having acquired about 700 additional acres during 1958.

Today's meeting also was told that construction of the channel improvements to the Black Creek from Scarlett Road to the Humber River was progressing at a satisfactory rate, and that it should be completed early in May. "It is one of the best engineering jobs I've ever seen," said Dr. G. Ross Lord, P.Eng., authority chairman. Second stage of the Black Creek channelization plan calls for construction of a flood retardation dam north of Wilson Ave. Dr. Lord observed that the Black Creek program had been

**Work Of The White Cross Talk Topic**

The York County branch of the Canadian Mental Health Association invited volunteers interested in visiting the hospital-approved homes for recuperating patients to an orientation program meeting on Wednesday evening in Wixson Hall. A capacity attendance of men and women from Sutton, Unionville, Markham, Newmarket, Thornhill and Richmond Hill, listened to Mr. R. D. Sparham, director of programs for the national office of the Canadian Mental Health Association as he described the work of the White Cross, the symbol under which those serving the mentally ill work. Introduced by Mrs. John Martin, president of the York County Branch, he stressed that the visitors would not be serving patients but people, and that the White Cross volunteer would be giving of himself and receiving fulfillment through this work. White Cross volunteers must above all things be faithful and conscientious, their contribution is to make the life of the person they are visiting a happier one, and to be successful the volunteer must like people. A new film "Remotivation" was shown featuring the work being done in the United States to "activate the unworded area" and showing the steps taken in small study groups of mental patients under a trained leader in the hospital itself. Mrs. P. Townsend-Carter spoke briefly on the need for a regular visiting program for the approved homes in York County, citing the Richmond Hill group that had already begun its program. A discussion period followed with the social service workers leading the discussion and answering questions. Other members of the York County board present were Miss Betty Graham, of the Children's Aid Society, Mrs. Fred Jackson, and Mr. Gordon Duncan. The refreshments were served by the W.A. of St. Mary's Church.

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Dated at Toronto this 21st day of January, A.D. 1959.

**WILLIAM SELBY PCKNELL,** Executor of the Estate of Emily Louisa Sheardown, by his solicitor, Harry A. Willis, Q.C., 600 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario.

**Critics Praise Anne Stephenson Following Washington Recital**

In commenting on Anne Stephenson's recent recital at the Phillips Gallery in Washington, D.C., music critic Paul Hume said, "Anne Stephenson is an unusually intelligent and gifted young woman, a singer already attaining to much that nears greatness. And so young to be so wise. "Singing last night in the Phillips Gallery, the attractive visitor from Canada spent her time on songs of the first rank. From the opening phrases of "The Expostulation of the Blessed Virgin," by Purcell, it was quite clear we had a singer with an assured technique, one who was musical in taste and execution. The nuances were there, the deft handling of the agile runs, the light picking out of the quick high notes, all the things that tell if a singer has any business in this music or not, came out right and clear.

"Miss Stephenson has a fine start, and a promising future. A slight, but frequent boxiness in the tone must be eliminated, and the sensuous allure that flared out once or twice must be caught and made secure. Then, indeed, we shall hear something quite splendid."

Referring to the program which included Richard Strauss' "Four Last Songs" and a stunning song cycle by Joaquin Turina, to say nothing of various smaller pieces, Irving Lowens said in the Washington Evening Star, "This is a list to be undertaken only by singers who are complete masters of their art. Indeed, I can think of few among the contemporary stars who could successfully carry it off—a Schwarzkopf, a De los Angeles, perhaps a Della Casa, but no one of lesser stature."

**1958 A Good Year**

(Continued from page 1)  
 board: Minister, Rev. C. G. Higginson, B.A., B.D., recording steward, Ralph W. Wood.  
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