

Religion and Life

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FOUGHT TO WIN WORLD FOR CHRIST

We are reminded of a creative moment in world history—a missionary convention in Edinburgh, 1810. Mott in the chair and young William Temple as usher in the gallery, his soul aflame with a new conception of the scope and power of his religion.

The World is a different world today because of the movement represented by that gathering and those men.

The news of John R. Mott's passing makes every Christian catch his breath. It marks not the close of an epoch but its beginning—such was the greatness of the man.

John R. Mott's name is title enough because no title that any institution could give would enhance its glory. One has no doubt that in the history of the expansion of Christianity his name will stand out as one of the greatest. The last century has been called the great Christian century; John R. Mott is the first of those who then claimed the whole world for Christ.

What is the standard of greatness by which we estimate the stature of such men?

Jesus' standard is as follows. When two ambitious young men asked Jesus answered: "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them and their great men exercise authority over them."

"But it shall not be so among you, but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:42-45).

GREATEST CAUSE

Now here is a man who spent his life in serving the greatest of all causes, namely, the winning of the world to Christ, and who inspired thousands of Christians' brightest and best to invest their lives in the same cause.

Consider a single example. The Student Volunteer movement of which Mott was one of the first members, led students Williams was on everyone's lips, and no one who heard her describe the gathering of Student Volunteers at which she sealed her consecration to the missionary enterprise can ever forget it. Literally thousands of Christian young people with the finest intellectual equipment in the land did the same thing.

This movement of consecrated youth was followed by the Laymen's Missionary Movement which provided support for missions on a scale never dreamed of before.

Mott was the inspiration and recognized leader of all these ventures of faith.

It was his vision that saw the possibility of a World Convention in which all the churches and missionary societies who were active in distant lands could come together on one platform.

In hundreds to devote their lives to missionary endeavor in foreign lands.

At one of their conventions a young graduate appeared ready to be sent to his field. He was the son of a wealthy man, and had caught the missionary fervor early in his college course.

His father hated the idea of his son going to the heathen and threatened to cut off all support if the lad persisted in his decision.

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This dream was realized in the Convention in Edinburgh in 1910 where William Temple, one of the greatest church leaders Britain has ever produced, caught the vision of the Ecumenical Movement to which he made such an outstanding contribution.

Not only he, but many others were fired by that Edinburgh experience with the conception of what the churches could do when they joined forces and which they could never do apart. The Ecumenical Movement is the child of the Missionary Movement of which Mott was the creative genius.

Inspired personalities are the Christian Church's most precious asset. The prophet of the Lord is always the one who can see the will of God in the facts at his feet, and who out of these common materials can build temples to the glory of God.

We shall always dream of what Archbishop Temple could have done if he had been spared the full length of human life and in the early hours of his life had been spared the full length of human life and in the early hours of his life had been spared the full length of human life.

His hope for the future was brighter than ever, not because of what man can do, but because of what God will do when man realizes his helplessness in the present chaos and casts himself on the mercy of God.

In Memoriam

CECIL D. MAY

It was with shock and deep regret that relatives and friends of Cecil D. May, West Covehead, learned of his sudden passing in the early hours of Dec. 1, 1944 in the P. E. I. Hospital at the age of 61 years. He was the son of the late John May and Emma McMillan.

He was of a very cheerful disposition and always ready to help others. He was one of a family of eight. Left to mourn are his wife, two daughters, Gloria, Mrs. John Randall, Montreal; Olive at home; one son, Austin in the Black Watch Regiment; three sisters, Mammie, Mrs. Herb Flak; Ada, Mrs. W. B. Fitzpatrick; Nora, Mrs. Peter McKenna; all of Tracadie Cross. Five brothers, Louis, Stanhope, Bernard, West Covehead; John and Joseph, Tracadie Cross and Conrad, Providence, R. I.

The funeral was held Friday morning from the Hennessey Funeral Home to St. Eugene's Church, Covehead, where Requiem High Mass was celebrated by his pastor, Rev. O. P. Wood. Rev. K. C. MacMillan was present in the sanctuary and also conducted service at the grave. Interment was in the church cemetery. Pall bearers were Leith McKinnon, Keith MacMillan, George Kielly, Thomas McCabe, Harry McLaughlin and Roy Bell.

Card of Thanks

Mrs. May and Olive wish to say thank you to the many friends who gave Mass, Cards, flowers and expressions of sympathy, also our good neighbors for their many acts of kindness.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of
WILLIAM A. PEARDEN

who passed away
February 14th, 1944.

Always Remembered by his Wife.

In Memoriam

JAMES EMMET HUGHES
Kinkora.

February 14th, 1942.

In loving memory of our dear son and brother who lost his life at sea on board S. S. Ramapo, Merchant Marine.

A little token true and tender,
Just to show we still remember
Within our hearts you are with us
Yet
Fond memories you left we can
never forget.

We recall your faithful warnings
And your prayers for us you loved
May we heed them and thus meet
you
In your happy home above.

Just when your life was brightest
Just when your years were best
No warning to your ship at sea
or comrades
And for each sacrifice you made
across that tideless sea,
Beyond the farthest silver star
into eternity.

In our home of treasured memories,
We have many thoughts of you.
Your smiling face, your tender
laugh
Though we know you can't be
with us
One by one we will meet again.

Inserted by Mother, Dad,
Brothers and Sisters.

In Memoriam

ANNIE LIVINGSTON,

Churchhill

who passed away

February 14th, 1952

We miss the Mother time has not
denied the memory
Nor filled that empty place within
the heart
By others whom we meet along
life's pathway
When by His will with you we had
to part.

Even though your spirit's plight
has crossed that great divide,
There as you watch for those who
here lives on
Though wait that call when in His
wisdom great
He bids us come to meet the loved
one gone.

There then we'll meet in that
eternal homeland
Beloved Mother where partings
are no more.
Within the Father's House of many
mansions
Across that river there are the
other shore

We bore the grief of parting and
the sorrow
There are no tears but joy and
love unending.
Just over that great horizon at his
feet Mother dear.

Written by the entire family.
Daughters — Flora May, Ethel
Christine.
Sons — David Arthur, Richard
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CARD PARTY, Spring Park Hall tonight, at 8 p. m. Luncheon prizes, tournament.

LITTLE THEATRE Guild studio night Thursday, Feb. 17 8 p.m. Queen Charlotte High School.

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APPLICATIONS from residents of Charlottetown who desire to participate in the amateur Shur-Gain Cavalcade are to be forwarded to the Charlottetown Centennial Y. Men's Club c/o Y. M. C. A. Age limit 17 years.

WINSLOE NORTH W.M.S.

The regular meeting of Winsloe North W.M.S., met at the home of Mrs. John MacInnis, Feb. 2, with Mrs. C. L. Cudmore in charge of the devotional. Meeting opened with call to Worship, followed by Glory Be to God the Father, and Prayer by Mrs. Hardy. 1 Cor. 12 was read responsively. Program from the Missionary Monthly was followed. Scripture John 17, 18-21, was also read. Mrs. Bruce Younker gave a reading an Africa. Readings were also given by Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Gordon MacInnis. The Church's One Foundation was sung, followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. Eight members and one visitor answered roll call. There were five calls, fourteen cards and two boxes during the month. Christian Stewardship in the Old Testament was given by Mrs. Bruce Younker. Collection amounted to \$3.11. Next meeting was invited to the home of Mrs. A. D. Shaw, Feb. 25, with Mrs. Hardy and Mrs. Clayton Cudmore as leaders, word for roll call — Prayer. The meeting closed with Come Thou Almighty King, and Mizpah Benediction.

BRITISH DRINK MORE

LONDON (AP) — The British people drank more hard liquor and bet more on football pools during the 1953-54 fiscal year than ever before in history, the customs and excise department reported Friday. Consumption of spirits rose to 10,640,000 gallons compared with 10,220,000 in the previous 12 months. The betting turnover of the 44 football pools was \$72,000,000 compared with \$68,000,000.

Grandson Is Philanthropist

Mrs. Dana Stewart of Commercial Cross has an unusual grandson. At the young age of six, Skippy Farmer of Midwest City, Oklahoma, U. S. A., uses the money he accumulates, not for ice cream cones, as one would expect, but for treats for the Crippled Children's Hospital.

Skippy, who is the son of Capt. and Mrs. Charles Farmer, was featured in a recent issue of the Oklahoma City Times. Shortly after Christmas, he contributed \$1.82 he had earned himself and later gave almost as much in a second contribution. His first gift bought ice cream for boys in one of the wards at the hospital. The second one went to finance a birthday party for a needy five-year-old patient.

Skippy's enthusiasm for hospital aid started last summer, when he announced that he was going to do weed-pulling and yard-cleaning jobs and make a gift of the proceeds. However, it was a drought year and he didn't have much luck.

After attending a New Year's openhouse at the children's hospital, Skippy's interest was revived and he went out "caroling." After making a nice collection he brought the money to the hospital. Then he set off again and late in January made his second gift.

So now he's well on his way to becoming a real philanthropist — and still only six years old.

MRS. GORDON MACMILLAN

A COUNTRY GARDEN

WINTER'S SHADOWS

The sun climbs down the darkening sky
And leaves a crimson afterglow,
With long blue shadows here and there
Across the frozen wastes of snow.
And ere 'tis gone the moon peeps up
Beyond the rugged poplar's height,
To spread a pale gold setting for
The twinkling diamonds of the night.

The weary seek the cheer of home,
The warmth and refuge are
The frosty silence reigns without,
Gay song and laughter sound
within.

In winter there is more time for reading, and for the gardener it is interesting to read of gardens in other lands.

For many years several Travel Agencies have conducted Garden Tours and brochures on the European Hawaiian Garden Tours have been received and enjoyed. The different officials from horticulture societies are leaders of these tours and everything is arranged for the enjoyment of garden-minded folk. Leaving New York in early April it is possible to see all the spring gardens both public and private in their wonderful beauty and color.

Tulip time in Holland, April in Paris, the gorgeous English countryside in May, the world renowned "Floralies Gantoises", a flower show held only once in every five years in Ghent since

1808, meeting the officials of Horticulture Societies, meeting new people and exchanging ideas, and perhaps most important of all, building international goodwill through that great common denominator—love of flowers and green things growing.

On these garden tours the very best in floral beauty will be seen, a private showing of the Chelsea Flower Show, and a visit to the largest flower auction in the world in Aalsmeer Holland, and the one hundred acres of bulbs and plant exhibits at the six hundred year old estate at Keukenhof.

Nurseries and greenhouses and botanical gardens of many countries are visited on this tour as well as private estates only open to members of such tours, and entertainment provided by important people interested in everything pertaining to gardening. How wonderful to meet and travel with garden-minded folk to all these wonderful garden places of the world.

Garden friends are easy to know and great enjoyment can be had from their visits.

GARDEN FRIENDS

A very pleasant kind of friends are garden friends.

There is no formality — they just look in on us at any odd time when they see us in our garden, and if we are not too busy employed they step in for a chat. Soon we are inviting our visitors to come in and look at some special flower which, at the moment, is the joy and pride of our hearts. Or we may want

advice, and seeing that our new friend is a knowledgeable person, we conduct him to our problem specimen. Before he leaves he has probably walked round the whole of our garden, commenting on much that he sees and enriching his remarks with instances from his own experience. We invite him to come again whenever he is passing, and he may reciprocate by expressing a hope that we will come to see his garden if we happen to be that way. Whether reciprocal or not, such visits may be repeated from time to time, until a certain intimacy grows up between us. We may never enter one another's houses, but we are quite at home in the garden. No hospitality beyond

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