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GUEST SPEAKER



Rev. Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., of New York City, America's third Negro United States Congressman since the turbulent days of reconstruction which followed the conclusion of the Civil War, will be the principal speaker for the Ninth Annual Emancipation Celebration to be staged at Windsor, Ontario's Jackson Park, Sunday, July 29 and Monday, July 30, under the sponsorship of the British American Association of Colored Brethren, Walter Perry, chairman. Rev. Powell's address, which will be delivered at 3 p.m. Sunday, will be preceded by an official Emancipation Celebration welcome from His Worship, Arthur Reaume, Mayor of Windsor.

Commenting upon Rev. Powell's appearance and its significance to the celebration, Mr. Perry said: Windsorites and Detroiters have always appreciated the militant leadership of this dynamic personality and will recall that he has been, since 1937, pastor of

the Abyssinia Baptist Church at New York City and has participated in scores of activities, national and local, which have resulted in basic economic and political gains for the Negro citizenry of America. Most recent among his democratic stands was his militant support of the Federal Fair Employment Practices Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives."

Reviewing highlights in Rev. Powell's activities in the New York community, during the past few years, Mr. Perry pointed out that in 1930 and 1931, the minister and statesman was director of relief in Harlem and chairman of the co-ordinating committee for employment which won employment for Negroes with the New York Bus Company and thereby increased the payroll of Harlem by \$1,000,000 per year.

In the recent defense program of New York State, Rev. Powell was named to membership on the Consumer Division Committee of the O.P.A., the All-Harlem Victory Council and other groups.

In addition to pastoring one of the world's largest churches having a membership of 9,000 and being a member of the U.S. Congress, Rev. Powell is also editor and co-publisher of the "People's Voice," popular New York Negro newspaper.

The minister received his early education in New York Public Schools, Mr. Perry continued, and graduated with special honors in religion and philosophy from Colgate University, where he was a member of the Phi Upsilon fraternity in 1930. His Masters Degree in religious education was received from Columbia University in 1931, and his doctorate in divinity from Shaw University in 1938. For four months in 1930, the minister and statesman travelled extensively in Europe, North Africa and Asia Minor.

Mr. Perry has predicted a record attendance for the 1945 Emancipation Celebration.

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SUNDAY, JULY 29th, 1945

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REV. ROBT. L. BRADBY, presiding



PROGRAM

National Anthems:

"God Save the King"

"The Star Spangled Banner"

Smith

Band, Choir and Audience

Invocation: Rev. William Harrison

"Let Us Cheer the Weary Traveller"

Dett

Second Baptist Senior Choir, Detroit, Mich.

Dr. W. C. Terrell, Director — Ethel Taylor, Accompanist

Introduction of Mayor Arthur Reaume

Greetings: The Mayor

Response: Gaster Current, ex-Sec., N.A.A.C.P., Detroit

"Finlandia"

Sibelius

Second Baptist Senior Choir, and Tom Phillips Post 184 Glee Club

Dr. W. O. Terrell, Directing

Selection: Charles Young Post No. 77 Band

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"Stars and Stripes Forever"

Sousa

Tom Phillips Post No. 184 Glee Club

Jerene G. Macklin, Directress; Charles Young Post No. 77 Band,
John Lain, Conductor

"The Lord's Prayer"

Mallot

"Ride On Jesus"

Dett

Lucille Walker, Contralto

Introduction of Speaker: Mr. Snow F. Grigsby

Topic: "The New White Man, the New Negro, the New World"

Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., New York City, New York

"Great Day"

Work

"O Southland"

Johnson

Tom Phillips Post No. 184 Glee Club; Second Baptist Senior Choir

Helen Williams Carney, Soprano; C. L. C. Brasher, Tenor

Jerene G. Macklin, Directress

Remarks

"Gloria"

Mozart

Second Baptist Senior Choir

Dr. W. O. Terrell, Director — Ethel Taylor, Accompanist

PART II

Manoeuvres; Awarding of Prizes

SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAM — 8 O'CLOCK

LAWRENCE WATSON presiding

National Anthems:

"God Save The King"

"The Star Spangled Banner" Smith

Band, Choir and Audience

Baton Drill: Juniors on Parade

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"I Will Attempt from Love's Sickness to Fly" Fisher

"Crucifix" Purcell

Gil Blas Jackson, Bass

"Listen To the Lamb" Dett

"Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho" Johnson

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Cecil Reeves, Tenor; Carl Turner, Bass

Millie Lere, Accompanist

Sparklettes (from "Moon Magic")

Juniors on Parade: Jeane Graham, Evelyn Woods, Irene McKenny

Valerie Porter, Gerta Fritz

Katherne Nevils, Accompanist

"Rustle of Spring" Sinding

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"By and By" Burleigh

"A Sermon" Cook

C L. C. Brasher, Tenor

Burton Fuller, Accompanist

"Mass Chant" Robt. E. Hayden

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Fifth Symphony Beethoven

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Statement by Mayor Arthur J. Reaume for Walter Perry



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"We have just concluded a bloody war in Europe. In that war, our sons and daughters, regardless of creed or color, fought gallantly side by side. Theirs was a common purpose — the defeat of tyranny, the elimination of those who would wield power by pitting race against race and creed against creed.

"In Windsor, we are proud of the record of our sons and daughters in this terrible war. We are proud of the record of our workers in providing the weapons which contributed to the defeat of our common foe. Let me say that we intend to work together and live together, just as earnestly to provide the instruments of peace. We intend to continue to live together in peace and tolerance, knowing that only by our efforts to understand each other shall we be able to meet and overcome the obstacles which lie ahead.

"On behalf of the citizens of Windsor, it is a privilege to welcome to our city those of you who come from other cities, in Canada and beyond our political borders. We sincerely hope that you will enjoy yourselves while you are our guests. We hope that you will take with you pleasant memories and be encouraged to visit us again.

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