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Listed below are some of the highlights of the visit of the President and Secretary of the N. G. G. A. to Salt Lake City.

We arrived at S. L. C. at 12:30 P. M. Sunday, March 1 and were met at the Airport by Mrs. Ann Davies Thomas and Col. and Mrs. E. G. Thomas.

We had dinner with some of the Utah Sponsoring Committee. At 7:30 P. M. a meeting was held in the Utah Hotel, chaired by Mr. Clarence L. Giles, President and attended by the Chairmen and members of several committees.

The Sunday services on September 5 will all be held in the famous Mormon Tabernacle as follows,

Mormon Choir Broadcast 9:30 A. M. Gymanfa Worship Service 10:30 A. M. Afternoon Gymanfa Session 2:30 P. M. Evening Gymanfa Session 7:00 P. M.

The Tabernacle seats 8,000 people, and as you know has tremendous acoustics and a very fine organ. It will probably be filled for the choir broadcast. An inspection of the tabernacle indicates that because of its interior design it will not appear empty if we have two thousand to twenty-five hundred present for the Gymanfa sessions.

The Sponsoring Committee advised us that they will not be permitted to take an offering at any of the sessions, nor will they be permitted to take registrations or sell hymnals in the Tabernacle, or on Temple grounds on Sunday. Sunday offerings normally generate approximately \$2,000.00 for a Sponsoring Committee. It was suggested that they not be too liberal in the number and amounts of honorariums.

I expressed our concern in this regard, and expressed our hopes that they would so manage their finances as to be in the black, with some return accruing the National organization. We were advised that the same rules applied in 1949 and 1955 and that they would be raising funds in some other manner to offset this loss. They were quick to point out that there is no charge for the use of the Tabernacle. If you have any ideas in this regard I will be very pleased to have them.

The Utah Hotel has ample room for the other Gymanfa activities, and we should be very comfortable.

As usual there will be a banquett on Friday evening and a Noson Lawen on Saturday. Permanent officers have been appointed, and committees are organized and working.

Temple Square should be quite an attraction to visitors, and organized tours of the area will be available to the Gymanfa visitors. Salt Lake City and its environs are really beautiful.

The Jack Thomas Travel is in charge of Tours and Transportation. Brochures and literature will soon be available covering chartered planes from different cities in the U.S. and Canada and from Wales also.

In co-operation with W. A. Y. officers ample provision is being made for such activities as they may require in the hotel.

At the St. David's banquet on the Monday evening the forthcoming Gymanfa was appropriately highlighted, and the W. A. Y. organization very well presented. Miss Carol Jones was very enthusiastic as she showed me a list of the young people from Salt Lake City interested in W. A. Y.

Complimentary rooms at Gymanfa Headquarters will be available to National Officers, but we do not yet know how many.

All in all we had a good visit and all signs point to a very successful Gymanfa in Salt Lake City, providing we all do everything we can to make it so.

Sincerely,

Secretary

P. S. We emphasized that eating facilities be available, or that proper arrangements be made to feed the Gymanfa crowd in between services on the Sunday. We were assured that such arrangements will be made.

## MARCH 20th 1971

MRS ANN D THOMAS.

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DEAR ANN & DEL.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WONDERFUL HOSPITALITY, I PERSONALLY ENJOYED MYSELF VERY MUCH.

MR LLOYD AND MYSELF FELT ASSURED THAT THE LOTH NATIONAL GYMANFA WOULD BE A SUCCESS, AS MR BREWSTER STATED YOU HAVE LOTS OF TALENT IN AND S,L,C, THAT WOULD PERFORM WITHOUT MUCHECOST.

ANN, IN MAKING UP THE AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING ITEM #3 IS THE WELCOME BY THE GENERAL CHAIRMAN, DO YOU THINK I SHOULD INCLUDE MR GILES NAME ALONG WITH THE DR'S, WOULD THEY BOTH BE SAYING A FEW WORDS?

IN SENDING THE HYMNALS TO WHOM SHOULD I ADDRESS THEM, THINKING IT WOULD BE SMART TO SEND THEM TO THE PERSON WHO WOULD BE IN CHARGE OF SELLING THEM, RATHER THAN SEND THEM TO YOU-BECAUSE 600 HYMNALS GOULD BE VERY CUMBERSOME FOR YOU TO HANDLE.

IN CHECKING MY FLAGS I FIND I HAVE THE FOLLOWING:
I SILK FLAG 48x59, I COTTON FLAG 36x70 ALSO 27x54,
I CANADIAN FLAG 76x36, PLUS THE TWO LARGE FLAGS AMERICAN & CANADIAN
ON STAFFS WITH BASES, THESE ARE USED ON STAGE, IF YOU SHOULD NEED ANY OR
ALL I SHALL BE HAPPY TO SEND THEM TO YOU.

ANN, I GOT TO THINKING ABOUT THE OMISSION OF COLLECTIONS HOW WE COULD OFFSET THEM NOT ONLY IN S.L. BUT FOR FUTURE CYMANFACEDD CANU, THEN I CALLED MR LLOYD AND DISCUSSED THE IDEA WITH HIM, IT BEING: SINCE THERE IS A \$1:00 REGISTRATION CHARGE, PLUS AN AVERAGE OF \$1:00 IN EACH OF THREE COLLECTIONS, ONE AT THE CHURCH SERVICE AND TWO AT THE GYMANFA'S SESSIONS MAKING A TOTAL OF \$4:00: WHY NOT MAKE A FLAT CHARGE OF \$4:00 FOR A SINGLE REGISTRATION AND \$5:00 FOR A HUSBAND AND WIFE, BUT I UNDERSTAND FROM MR LLOYD THAT YOU HAVE DECIDED TO CHARGE \$2:00 FOR REGISTRATION.

I STARTED THIS LETTER MARCH 6th BUT THE OLD FLU BUG CAUGHT UP WITH ME, HAVE BEEN UNDER THE WEATHER FOR TWO WEEKS BUT AM BACK IN THE OFFICE AGAIN, AND OH HOW THE MAIL PILES UP.

HOPING THAT YOU AND DR HAVE ESCAPED THE CLUTCHES OF THE BUG AND THAT THE DR IS FEELING MUCH BETTER, IT WAS SO NICE TO HAVE SPOKEN WITH HIM ON THE PHONE, AND WITH OUR PRAYERS AND GODS BLESSING I KNOW YOU WILL BE KEPT WELL.

DIOLCH YN FAWR A PHOB DYMUNIAD DA.

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