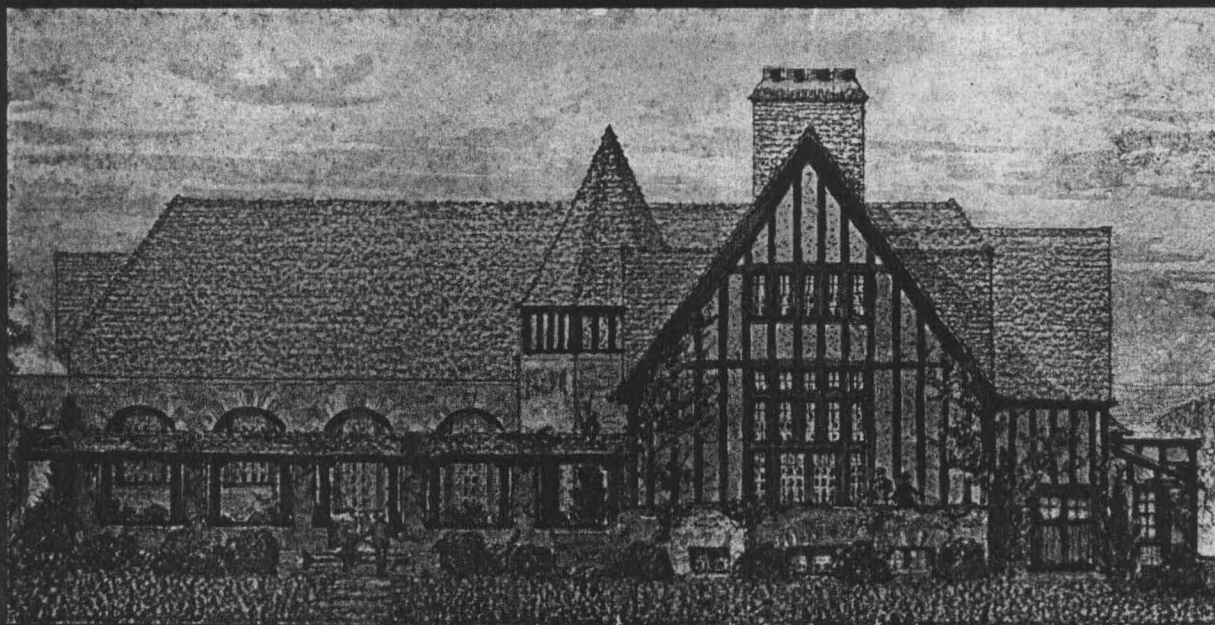


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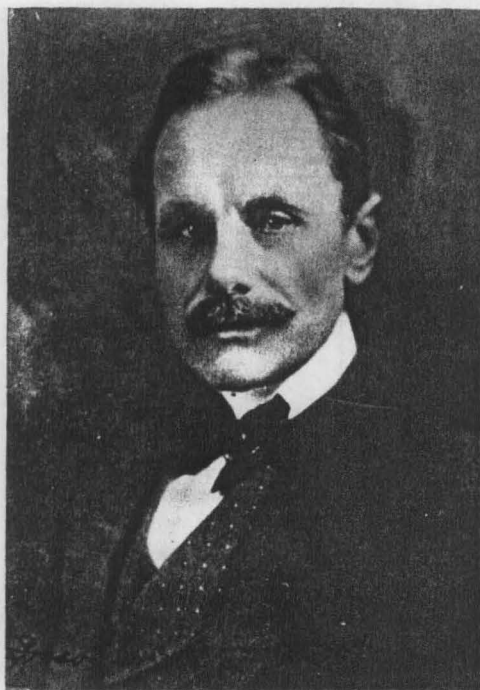
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We are proud to state that all the  
artists appearing on this program  
are residents of Forest Hills.





GROSVENOR ATTERBURY  
*Architect*



HENRY HOF  
*Chairman, Building Committee*

## AN APPRECIATION

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE is finished!

It is the crystallization of the dreams of many pioneer residents and is truly indicative of the spirit of neighborliness which has been paramount in Forest Hills since its inception.

From the spacious lounge and gay little sun room, as you enter, to the inviting pool in the basement, the Community House is open for the enjoyment of all who live here. When we have begun to use it and to fully appreciate its value as a feature of community life and to us as individuals we will wonder how it was possible to have done without it so long.

There are many interesting activities planned for this year, announcement of which will be made at a later date.

One of the most valuable features is that the Community House will give local organizations a definite and adequate place to meet. It will also be available for bridge parties, teas, dances and other social gatherings at a nominal charge. The architects have so planned the building that four distinctly separate groups of people may use it at the same time.

The land upon which the Community House is built was given for this purpose by Mrs. Susie D. Smith, a very generous and public spirited woman and the mother of the late Rowland H. Smith, who also gave generously to this project.

Grosvenor Atterbury, Stowe Phelps and John Almy Tompkins are the architects. Mr. Tompkins, who lives in Forest Hills, has been untiring in his efforts and he has cheerfully given his advice at all times.

Of W. T. Anderson, the builder, special mention must be made. Mr. Anderson has built the Community House at cost.

Henry Hof, Chairman of the Building Committee, is largely responsible for putting the plans through and in actually starting the work after the foundation had stood forlornly for several years. Had it not been for the untiring efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Hof in renewing an interest which had waned after so many unsuccessful efforts we might still be without our Community House.

There was a spirit of helpfulness and enthusiasm shown by the workmen from the time the first brick was laid. Those who believe that labor is inclined only to belligerency will be agreeably surprised and appreciative of the fact that when finances were at a

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## AN APPRECIATION

low ebb these men offered to work overtime without compensation so that construction might go on without interruption. They certainly deserve special commendation.

The Chairman of the Decorating Committee is John Almy Tompkins whose skill along this line is well known. The members of his committee are Henry Hof and George H. Merrill, though Mrs. Henry Hof has given her services freely and evidence of her decorating ability will be found throughout the building.

This initial benefit marks the opening of the Community House to the public. It is only possible through the co-operation of the many talented people who live in Forest Hills. Fred Stone and his daughter Dorothy have taken a night from a busy season to give their services.

Forest Hills is fortunate in having so many interesting people here. Perhaps it is the old-world charm about Forest Hills which has had such an irresistible attraction to the many artists and writers and other people of note. Among our celebrities are Fred Stone and his illustrious family, Don Marquis, Julius Tannen, Homer Croy, Evelyn Enola Rockwell, Lawrence Abbot, Walter Hartwig, Lyman Beecher Stowe, Judge Charles F. Moore, the Honorable James H. Cassidy, former United States Congressman from Ohio, John Almy Tompkins, Adolph A. Weinman, Judge J. R. Davies, Malthe Hasselriis, Helen Keller, Sally Lucas Jean, Robert Tappan, Bolossy Kiralfy, Burns Mantle, W. D. Teague, Gertrude Springer, Louis Springer, W. Preston Beazell, Captain Stephen L. Coles, R. E. Renaud, Judge George H. Boyce, Bertha Mandel, Gladys Hall and Mabelle Saville Croy.

Forest Hills has needed a general meeting place and these distinguished people entering into the activities of the Community House will create a most interesting atmosphere.

We have had our Fourth of July Celebrations, our picturesque Christmas entertainments, our Women's Club, our Men's Club, the Gardens Players, the Choral Club, the Mothers' Club and many other organizations. We have needed a center for these activities and now after such a long wait we have been rewarded.

The Community House is finished!

—LETITIA PRESTON RANDALL



JOHN ALMY TOMPKINS  
*Associate Architect*



WILLIAM T. ANDERSON  
*Builder*





MRS. HENRY HOF, *Chairman of the Opening Benefit*



FRED and DOROTHY STONE



**Obituary  
Honor List**



ROWLAND H. SMITH  
GEORGE SMART  
ROBERT GREIG

Great honor is due to these men for  
their activity in promoting the  
cause of the Community House.



JULIUS TANNEN AND HIS  
SONS, CHARLES AND BILLY

GLADYS RICE  
*Soprano of Roxy's Gang  
and the Capitol Theatre*







ELSA PITTS

MATHILDE CHRISTY PSAKI  
Violinist



# PROGRAM

THURSDAY EVENING, August 12, 1926, at 8:30 P. M.

I

PIANO SOLO: Grillen ..... Schumann

ELSPETH BROWNELL

VIOLIN SOLO: a. Nuages ..... Christiaan Kriens  
b. Kujawiah ..... H. Wieniawski

MATHILDE PSAKI

Spring Song of the Robin Woman ..... Cadman  
From the American Opera "Shanewis"

FLORENCE NELSON, *Prima Donna, Keith's Vaudeville*

When You're Away, from "The Only Girl" ..... Victor Herbert  
TRIO—MISS NELSON, MISS PSAKI, MISS BROWNELL

II

EILEEN WOOD, *Society's Pet Dancer*

III

CHARLIE MAC, *as Hubert, of the Student Prince Company*

IV

GRANT & WING, *Broadway's Favorite Dancers*

V

ELSA PITTS, *as Marguerite, from Faust*

VI

FRED STONE AND DOROTHY STONE

Coolie Song ..... FRED AND DOROTHY STONE  
Dance ..... Pupils of DOROTHY WHYTE  
Spanish Song ..... FRED STONE  
Dance ..... DOROTHY STONE AND ANGELO CANSINO  
Scotch Number ..... FRED STONE  
Scotch Dance ..... Pupils of DOROTHY WHYTE  
Russian Number ..... FRED STONE  
Russian Dance ..... Pupils of DOROTHY STONE  
English Number ..... FRED AND DOROTHY STONE  
English Dance ..... Pupils of DOROTHY WHYTE  
Charleston ..... ANNA CHRISTY PSAKI, WINIFRED CAHAUN, DOROTHY HOGAN  
Toe Charleston ..... MARJORIE HOGAN  
Tap Charleston ..... FRED AND DOROTHY STONE

ENGLISH AND SCOTCH GIRLS

Anna Christy Psaki, Winifred Cahaun, Marjorie and Dorothy Hogan

COOLIE AND RUSSIAN GIRLS

Rita O'Shea, Clotilde Rodriguez, Marjorie Riouffe, Jane Kavanaugh,  
Ellen Lunenburg, Catherine Weinman, Kathryn Hall

Pianist ..... NAN WARNER

INTERMISSION

# PROGRAM

VII

JULIUS TANNEN, *Vaudeville Chatterbox*

VIII

IGNATZ PLUTO TROUPE, *The World's Worst Acrobats*  
John P. Welsh, Edward Kelly, Howard Weinman, Robert L. Macey,  
Henry Hof, Herbert E. Sumner, F. J. Brettman, Jr., Charles Mac

IX

GLADYS RICE, *of Roxy's Gang, in Song Novelties*

X

TRUE RICE & FLO NEWPON, *in Refined Bunk*

XI

VERONA & CALVIN KIRALFY, *Feet, Fiddle, Foolishness*

XII

KIDDIE CONTEST BY FOREST HILLS CHILDREN  
Pianist, MRS. BIXLER

XIII

CLICQUOT CLUB ESQUIMO BAND  
HARRY F. RESER and His Famous Esquimos  
*Refreshments Served in Green Room*  
DANCING IN AUDITORIUM  
Music by CLICQUOT CLUB BAND



FRIDAY AFTERNOON, August 13, 1926, at 2 P. M.

Opening of the new tiled swimming pool  
Aquatic sports and swimming races



SATURDAY AFTERNOON, August 14, 1926, at 2 P. M.

PIANO SOLO.....Imogen Rose  
BATHING GIRL.....Gene Mac  
SKIPPING DANCE.....Nancy Hanks, Connie Brownell,  
Dorothy McIntire, Ada Rodriguez  
TOE DANCE.....Marjorie Hogan  
OLD FASHIONED DANCE.....Anna Psaki  
TAP DANCE.....Marjorie and Dorothy Hogan  
GOOD NIGHT.....Betty Reser with Jeanette Mee, Virginia Brehmer,  
Mary Louise Hunt, Barbara and Ann Bean, Gene Mac



"NAN" WARNER  
Pianist and Composer

DOROTHY WHYTE  
Dancing Instructor and Assistant  
Chairman of the Opening Benefit







**MISTRESS MARY QUITE CONTRARY**  
From left to right: *Pretty Maids*, Jeanne Hasselriis, Juliette Luneborg; *Mistress Mary*, Mary Bowman; *Pretty Maids*, Lynn Lochridge, Virginia King.



*Cinderella*, Katherine Crump Grever; *Prince*, Arthur Benjamin Clymer; *Herald*, Chloe Lochridge; *Fairy Godmother*, Alice Boyce; *Belinda and Henriette, Stepsisters*, Ellen Luneborg and Clotilde Rodriguez.



*Jack and Jill*, Edward Barning and Anne Catherine Thompson

### CLASSIC NURSERY RHYMES IN PANTOMIME

Announcer—Mother Goose Herself

#### 1—WINKIN, BLINKIN AND NOD

*Winkin*.....Bubbles Wilson      *Blinkin*.....Carolyn Barning  
*Nod*.....Kenneth Barning

#### 2—JACK AND JILL

*Jack*.....Edward Barning      *Jill*.....Anne Catherine Thompson

#### 3—GOLDILOCKS

*Goldilocks*.....Barbara Johnson      *Middle Sized Bear*.....John Hof  
*Big Bear*.....Harry Barning      *Little Bear*.....Buster Hof

#### 4—LITTLE BO PEEP

*Little Bo Peep*.....Nancy Hanks

#### 5—CINDERELLA

*Cinderella*.....Katherine Crump Grever      *Fairy Godmother*.....Alice Boyce  
*Prince*.....Arthur Benjamin Clymer      *First Stepsister*.....Ellen Luneborg  
*Herald*.....Chloe Lochridge      *Second Stepsister*.....Clotilde Rodriguez

#### 6—OLD KING COLE

*King Cole*.....Billy Schutz      *Fiddlers Three*.....Buster Hof,  
*Page*.....Bradford McCuen      Arnold Mengel, Norman Hasselriis



FRANK G. PITTS, Jr., as *Little Boy Blue*



Left to right: *Blinkin*, Carolyn Barning; *Nod*, Kenneth Barning; *Winkin*, Bubbles Wilson.



#### OLD KING COLE

From left to right: Fiddlers, Buster Hof, Arnold Mengel; Old King Cole, Billy Schut; Fiddler, Norman Hasselriis; Page (with pipe and bowl), Bradford McCuen.



#### SLEEPING BEAUTY

Sleeping Beauty, Anna Psaki; Prince, Kathryn Hof; Ladies-in-Waiting, Katherine Weinman, Marjorie Riouffe; Hand Maiden to Princess, Eleanor Helen Pitts; Court Jester, Eleanor Selina Pitts.

#### 7—LITTLE MISS MUFFET

Little Miss Muffet.....Muriel May

#### 8—MISTRESS MARY QUITE CONTRARY

Mistress Mary.....Mary Bowman  
Pretty Maids.....Virginia King  
Juliette Luneborg, Lynn Lochridge,  
Jeanne Hasselriis

Butterflies.....Jean Brettman,  
Alice Boyce, Kathryn Hof, Ellen  
Luneborg, Helene Barning, Peggy  
Mantle

#### 9—LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

Little Red Riding Hood.....Ada Rodriguez

Wolf.....Billy Kavanaugh

#### 10—SLEEPING BEAUTY

Sleeping Beauty.....Anna Psaki  
Prince.....Kathryn Hof  
Ladies-in-Waiting.....Katherine Weinman,  
Marjorie Riouffe

Hand Maiden.....Eleanor H. Pitts  
Court Jester.....Eleanor S. Pitts

#### 11—LITTLE BOY BLUE

Little Boy Blue.....Frank G. Pitts, Jr.

#### 12—THE OLD WOMAN WHO LIVED IN A SHOE

Old Woman.....Elizabeth Rockwell  
The Naughty Child.....Barbara Bixler

Children  
Their Pet Cat.....John L. Daniels



Little Miss Muffet, MURIEL MAY



ADA RODRIGUEZ as  
Little Red Riding Hood



MARJORIE and  
DOROTHY HOGAN



Little Bo Peep, NANCY HANKS





MISS ELIZABETH ROCKWELL



MRS. E. BROWNELL, *Violinist*



EILEEN WOOD





PAULA STONE  
*Daughter of*  
MR. and MRS. FRED STONE



EVELYN ENOLA ROCKWELL



CAROLYN STONE  
*Youngest Daughter of*  
MR. and MRS. FRED STONE

EVELYN ENOLA ROCKWELL was born in Chicago but like everyone else came east just as soon as possible!

Her art education was received in Philadelphia at the Academy of the Fine Arts and in New York at the Art Student's League. She has exhibited at the Ainslie and Ehrich Galleries and at the McDowell Club in New York as well as in other cities.

Miss Rockwell's recognition in the art world has come through her ability to portray a subject with pleasing exactness and yet with marked individuality. She is firm in her policy of doing her portraits "on approval" only.

While Miss Rockwell has done many

grown-ups in both oil and pastels she finds children more appealing. Perhaps this is the reason she is able to express the intangible beauty and charm of childhood which so often eludes artists. There is something mysteriously skilful in the way she expresses the character of each small subject. In spite of chubby faces, sailor collars or curls, it is startling to find wee personalities peering at you from the finished portraits.

Miss Rockwell will make a limited number of pastel portraits of children, half the proceeds to benefit The Community House.

To arrange future sittings, telephone Mrs. Frank L. Rockwell, Chairman, 40 Deepdene Road, Boulevard 6780.



FRANCES GRANT *and* TED WING

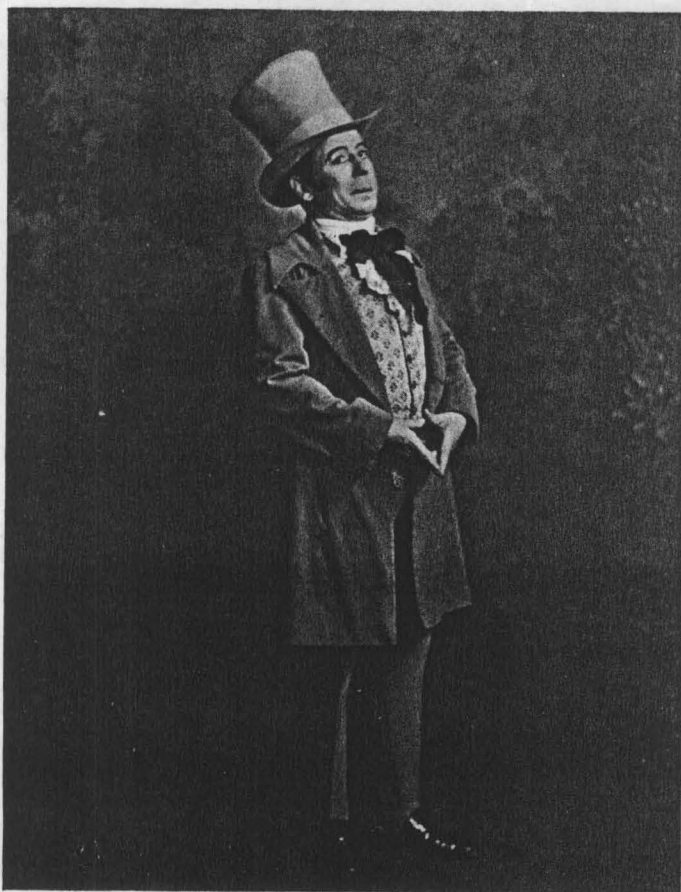


VERONA *and* CALVIN KIRALFY



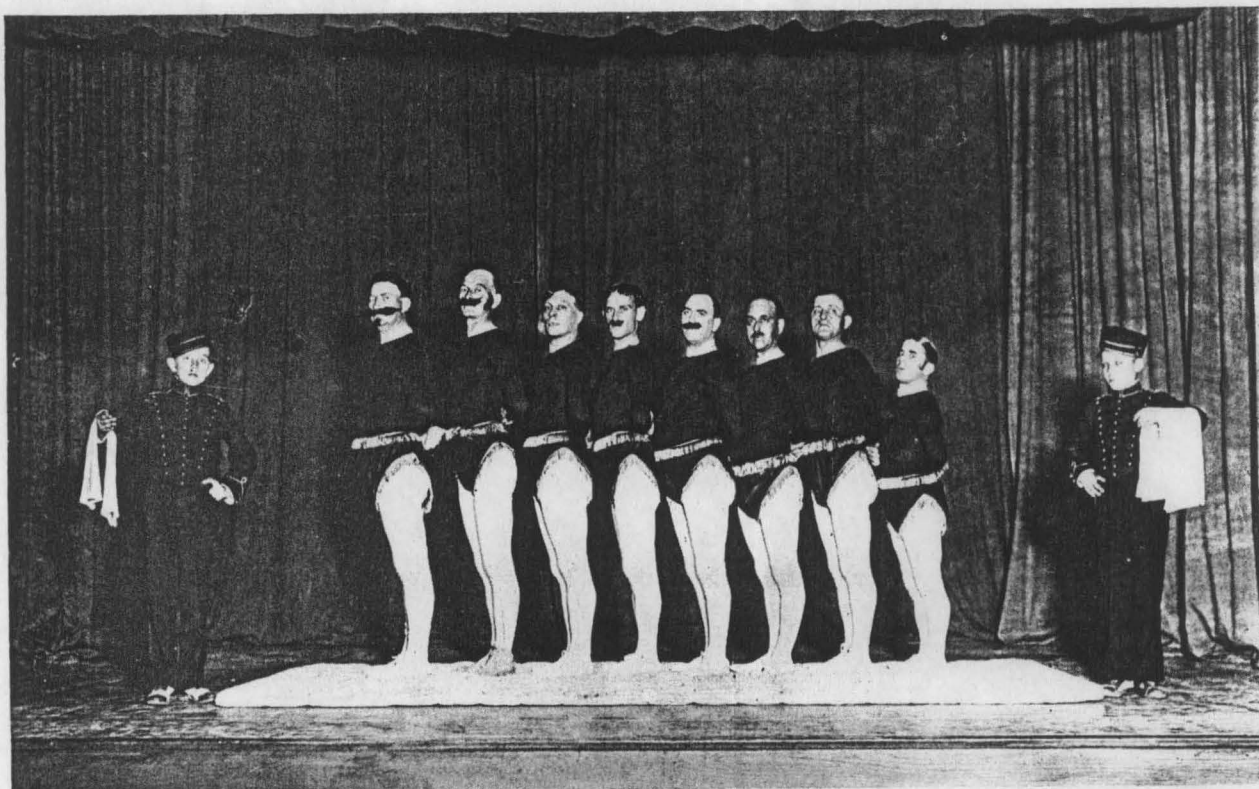


RICE AND RICE

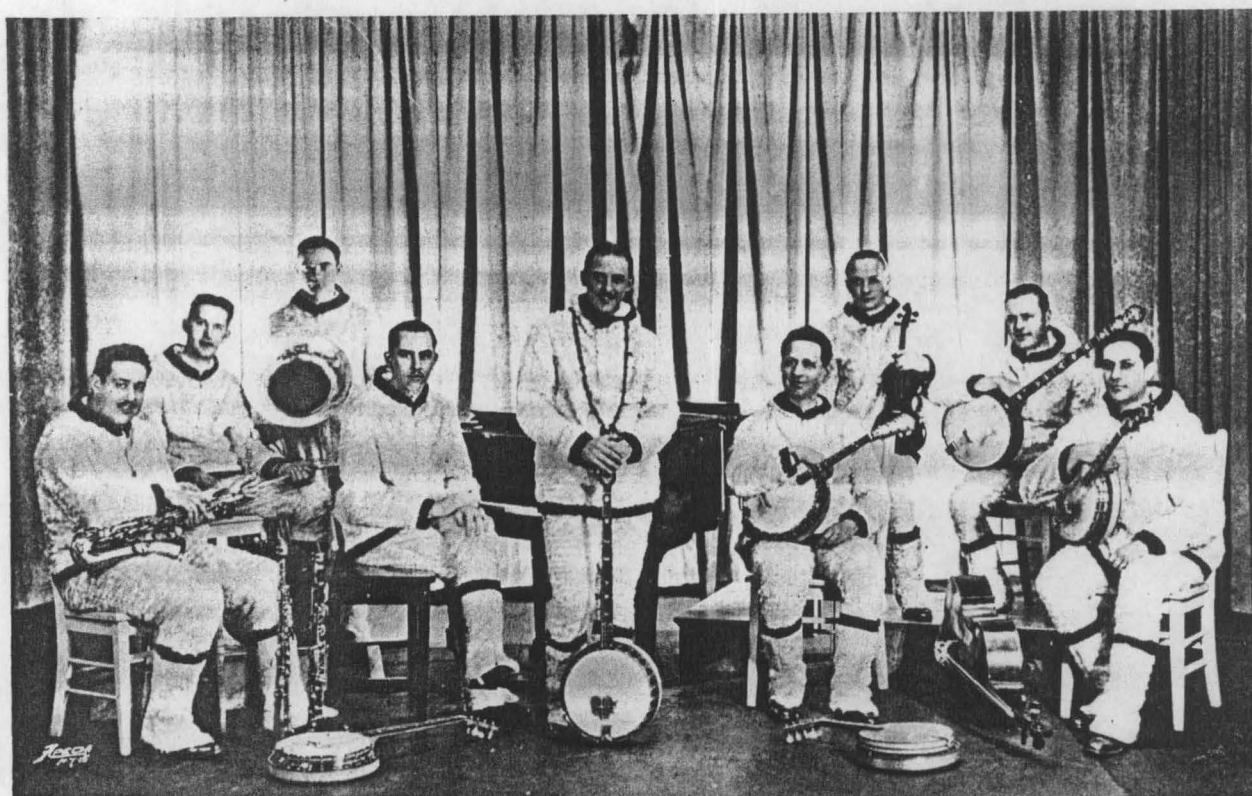


CHARLES MAC, of the *Pluto Troupe*



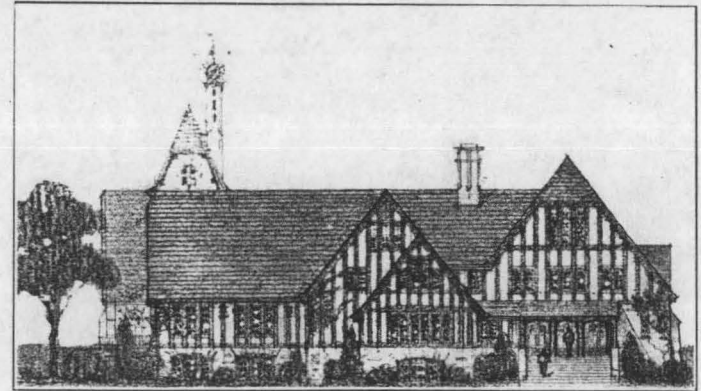


IGNATZ PLUTO TROUPE



HARRY F. RESER'S CLICQUOT CLUB ESKIMO BAND

The  
Proposed  
Community House



Forest Hills Gardens  
Long Island

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## INTRODUCTION

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE is meant to be the center of community life, a home for all community organizations and activities, a meeting place where old and young may gather to lounge and play, to rest and exercise. While grown-up needs have all been met, the children and young people have had first consideration in planning the building; it will provide the means of healthy amusement and activity for the children, a place where the social life of our young people can flourish under the combined advantages of a charming and delightful setting and wholesome atmosphere.



## DESCRIPTION OF BUILDING

THE outstanding features of the building will be

A beautiful *Exterior*, of which Forest Hills may be proud.

An *Interior Arrangement*, admirably planned for recreation and for public and private social gatherings.

A dignified *Entrance* and Lobby, opening into a spacious *Foyer*, from which stairs lead to the lower and upper floors. Beyond the Foyer is a

Tiled *Sun Parlor*, opening upon a small formal garden sheltered between the wings of the building.

A large *Social Room*, opening from the Foyer and raised a few steps above it. This room will be exceptionally beautiful. It will extend to the roof, with a peaked and raftered ceiling, and will have windows on three sides. A musicians' balcony will project above the entrance, and at the opposite end French windows will give access to a small terrace, while at the side steps will descend to the garden.

*Kitchen Facilities*, provided on the main floor.

The *Main Floor*, arranged so that it can all be thrown together for large gatherings or divided for separate uses.

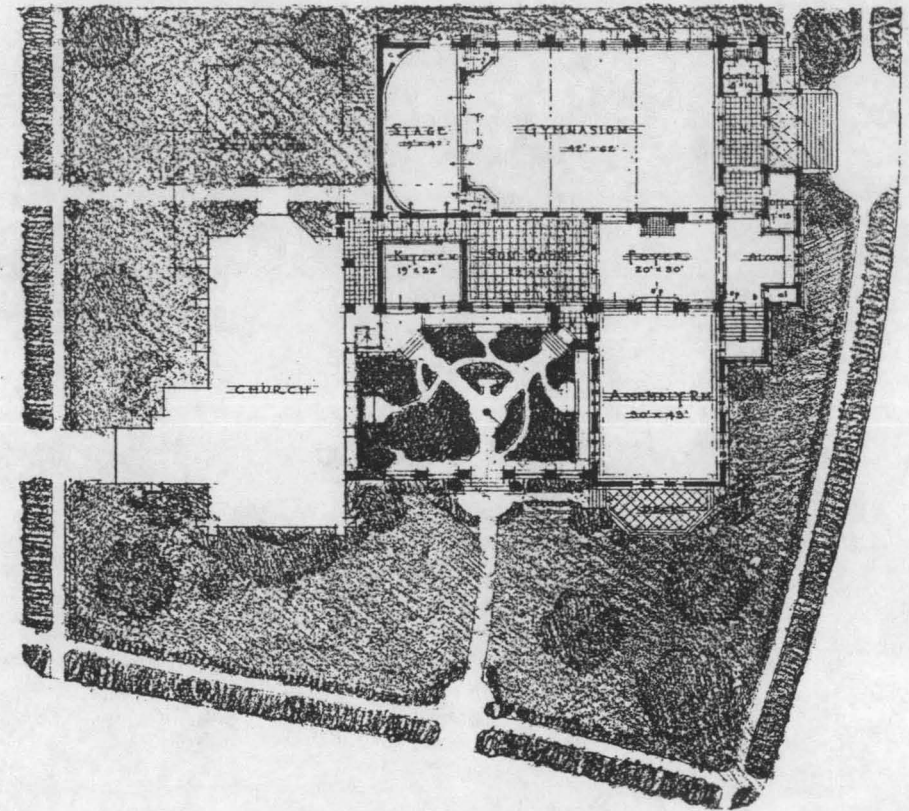
*Rowland Smith Hall*, planned to serve as a gymnasium with direct access to the men's and women's locker rooms below. It is also designed for auditorium purposes, with a large and fully equipped stage and moving-picture apparatus. It will seat 500 people. This hall has been furnished and endowed in memory of Rowland Holbrook Smith.

A *Swimming Pool*, the main feature of the first floor. It is large and sunny, with windows on three sides, and has a complete equipment of check room, drying room, men's and women's locker rooms, and showers. Space is also provided in the basement for a future *Billiard Room* and *Bowling Alleys*.

The *Second Floor*, including a large room suitable for a Library and a number of flexible class or meeting rooms.

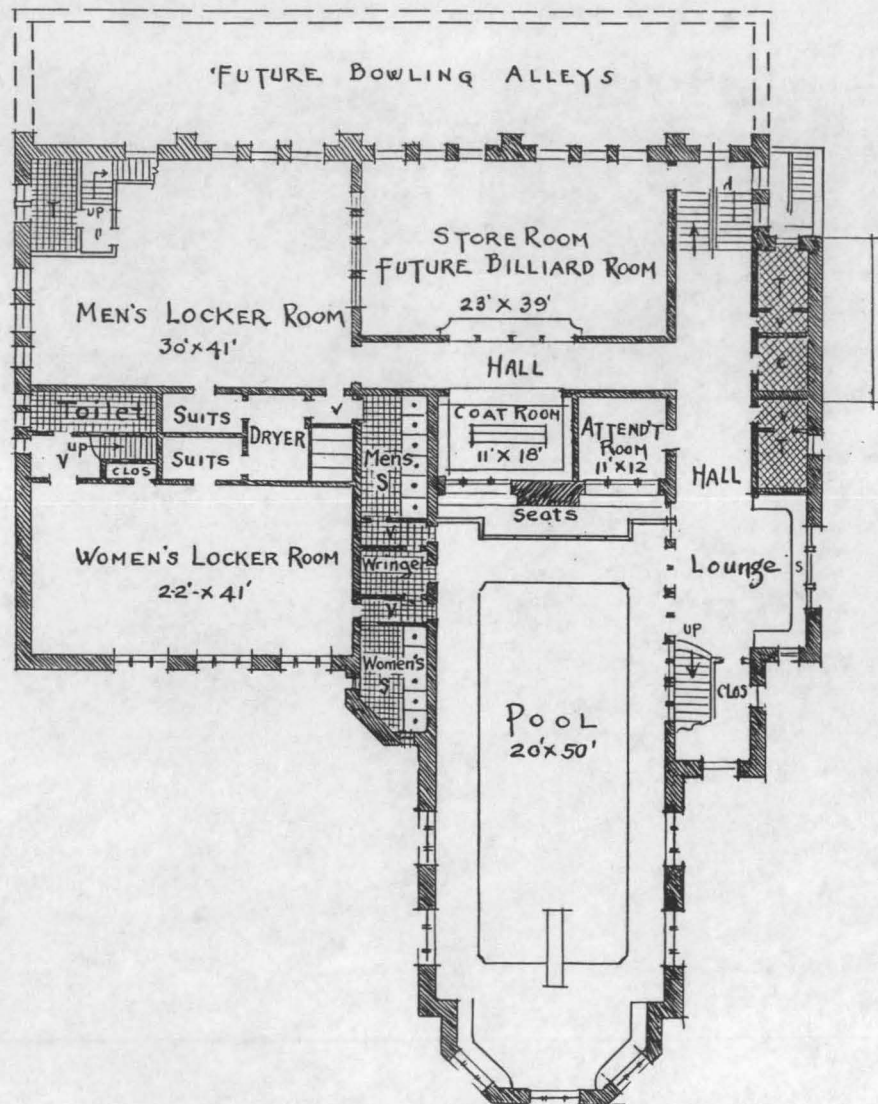
The *Sub-Basement*, providing space for the heating plant and storage.

DOESN'T IT SEEM WORTH WORKING FOR?

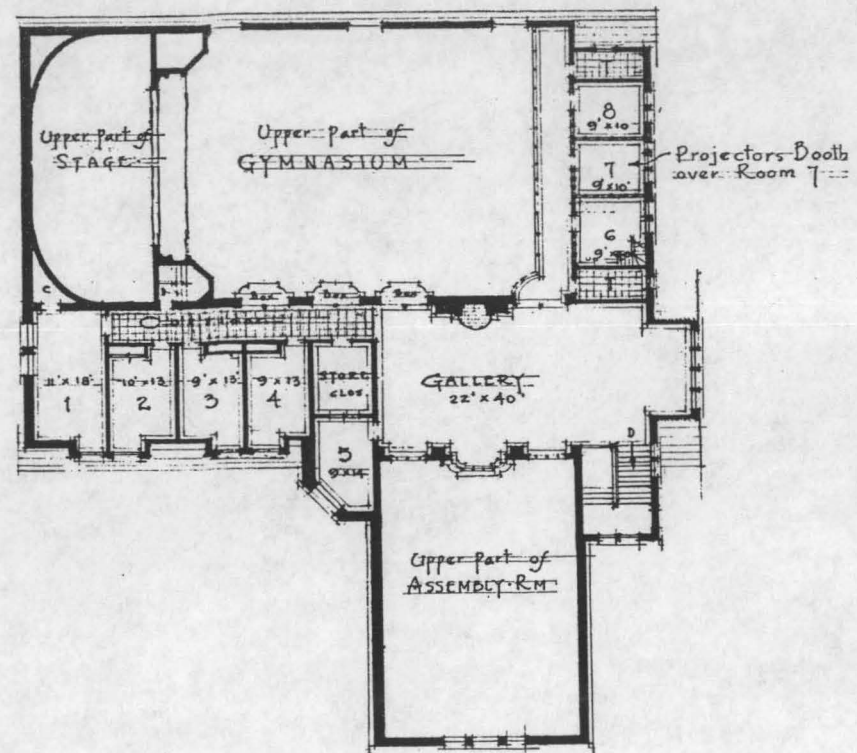


MAIN FLOOR

Showing the general outlines of the ground and Community House, and also its relation to the Church building.



FIRST FLOOR



UPPER FLOOR



## MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

THE Church in the Gardens, while legally the Trustee of the Community House, leaves the management and direct supervision of the House on week days with a Board of Governors representing the various organizations of the community, with three representatives at large. On Sundays its use will be determined by the Church in the Gardens.

### ESTIMATED ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET

#### *Expense*

Insurance and repairs.....	\$1,500
Heating and hot water.....	2,500
Light and water.....	1,000
Salary of Secretary.....	2,500
Salary of Assistant Secretary.....	1,500
Two part-time helpers.....	1,000
Wages of janitor, cleaners.....	2,000
Extra help .....	500
Laundry .....	500
Interest and miscellaneous charges.....	2,000
Total .....	\$15,000

#### *Income*

Income from endowment.....	\$1,500
Locker fees .....	500
Income from rental of auditorium and assembly room .....	2,500
Fees for special instructions.....	1,000
Membership fees—150 families at \$50 each per year .....	7,500
Special and summer privilege fees.....	1,000
Miscellaneous income .....	1,000
Total .....	\$15,000

The above estimated budget is only a tentative suggestion as the actual budget will necessarily be determined by the Governing Board.

### ESTIMATED COST OF CONSTRUCTION

ONE of the main reasons of delay in beginning construction of the Community House was the high cost of building. When the first suggested plans were published it was found that such a building would cost at the time some \$250,000.00, which the Board of Trustees of the Church in the Gardens and the Advisory Board of the Community House decided was entirely too much. So while waiting for a change in building conditions the Boards have been studying the plans and herein submit sketches that have been approved by them and adopted by the Church in the Gardens. The estimated cost is \$150,000.00.

### WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

T. C. CHALMERS  
DONALD G. CLARK  
S. ELLSWORTH DAVENPORT, JR.  
J. F. McTYIER, *Chairman*



## THE FIRST STEP

At a meeting of representatives of the organizations of Forest Hills, held at The Inn, May 26, 1922, the following resolution, offered by S. W. Eckman and seconded by Lyman Beecher Stowe, was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, That we approve the proposition of the Church in the Gardens to enter upon a campaign to raise \$150,000 for the erection of the Community House on the land already purchased and paid for. This building shall serve as an institution for the character building of our children and educational, civic, recreational, and other proper activities of the people of Forest Hills as a whole. On the Governing Board, the different organizations shall be represented."

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHURCH IN THE GARDENS

S. ELLSWORTH DAVENPORT, JR., *Pres.*

C. E. Burton	R. P. Kaighn	H. L. Willson
Donald G. Clark	Edward H. Mays	W. E. Woodard
S. W. Eckman	George Smart	

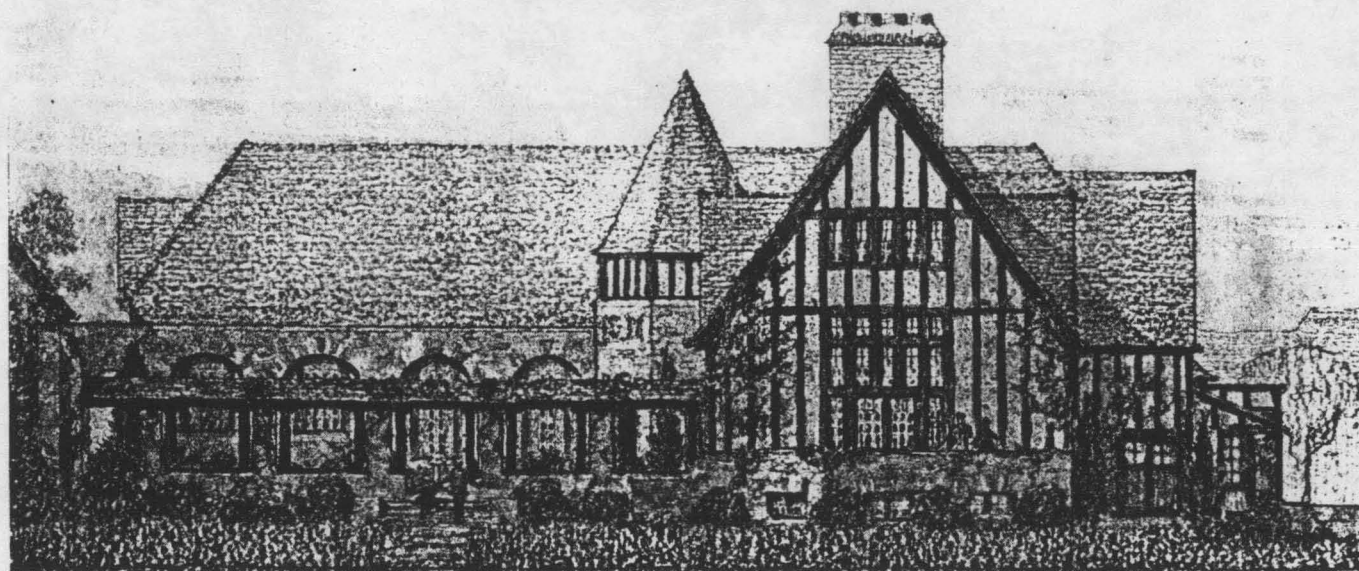
## COMMUNITY HOUSE ADVISORY BOARD OF NINETEEN (Showing Organizations They Represent)

S. W. ECKMAN, *Chairman*

MRS. LAWRENCE ABBOTT, Mothers Club.	E. D. SEALY, Christian Science Church.
MRS. C. E. BURTON, Womens Guild	GEORGE SMART, Community Council.
MRS. C. H. SCAMMELL, Choral Club.	LYMAN BEECHER STOWE, Mens Club.
MRS. L. D. SPIER, Womens Club.	WALTER D. TEAGUE, Gardens Players.
A. H. FLINT, Moderator of Church.	HARVEY WARREN, St. Luke's Episcopal Church.
R. P. KAIGHN, Sunday School.	HORACE L. WILLSON, Trustees Church in the Gardens.
JOHN ALLEN KING, Boy Scouts.	G. L. C. EARLE, Member-at-large.
DAVID G. LATSHAW, Church in the Gardens.	THURLOW M. GORDON, Member-at-large.
J. F. McTYIER, Christian Endeavor Society.	CLARENCE PERRY, Member-at-large.

Special and honorable mention is made of Mrs. Harold P. Daniels, the retiring representative of the Mothers Club, for her excellent service in connection with the building plans.

INVEST *in* HEALTH *and* HAPPINESS



BUY BONDS *of the* COMMUNITY HOUSE



## *Community Life Demands a Community Center*

A few years ago, when Forest Hills Gardens was smaller, its community life was ideal. Everybody knew everyone else and there was a neighborhood spirit that meant much to all.

As The Gardens has grown in population, its community life has been weakened and its friendly, neighborly spirit has been endangered.

These are facts that should cause grave concern, especially at this time, when our transportation problems and our relations with the great enveloping city require solidarity of spirit and sentiment. We must stand solidly together as a community, if we are to maintain our rights and preserve for ourselves and our children the advantages of Forest Hills Gardens.

The gradual decline of community spirit has been due, in large part, to the lack of a community center—a common meeting place

for all of us—such as the Community House will afford.

## *As Years Follow the Years*

the Community House will become the hallowed repository of delightful memories, historic mementos and time-honored traditions. Future generations of residents of The Gardens will have cause to be grateful to the founders; meanwhile the present and the rising generations themselves will enjoy its happy privileges.

## *This Home of Forest Hills Gardens Community Life*

is to be ready for occupancy, according to the building contract, by August 1, 1926.

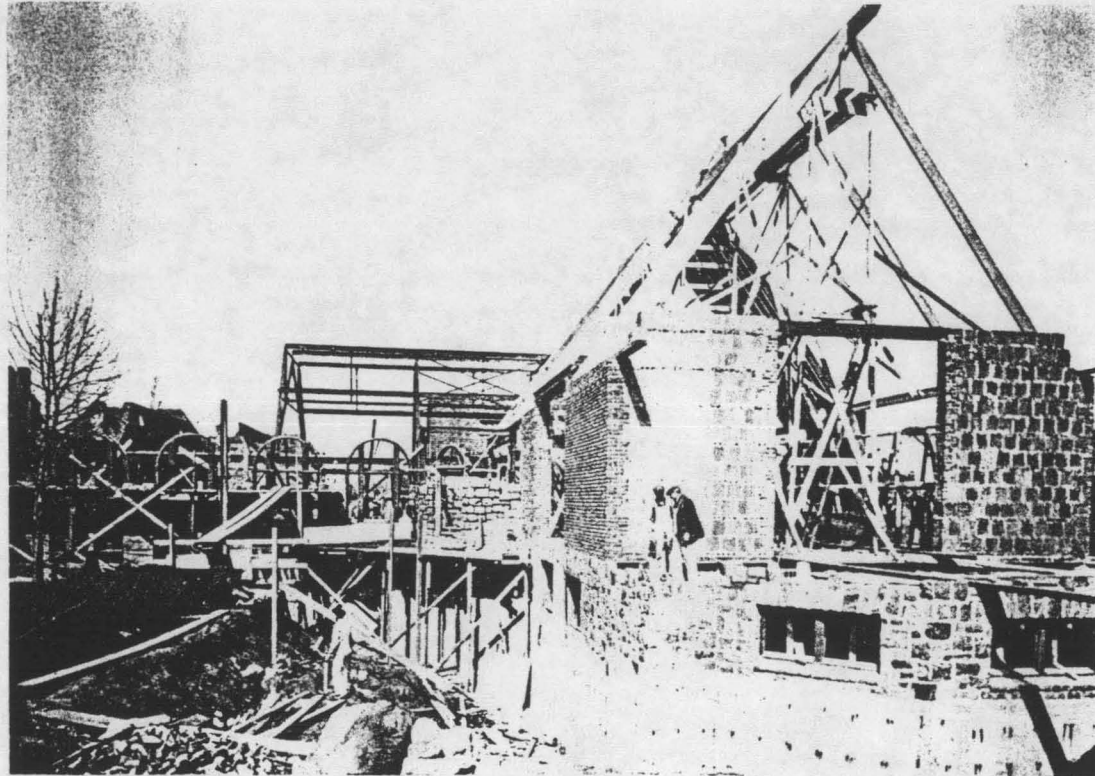
But if every resident of The Gardens will "do his bit" (as we used to say during the War), the building in all probability can be completed in time for the 4th of July this year.

Let us all get behind this great civic enterprise and make the dedication of the building a feature of Independence Day celebration.



## *The Walls of the Community House Are Rising Rapidly*

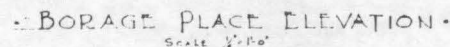
on the strong foundations of concrete built some time ago. The building is being erected in accordance with the approved specifications of the Gardens Corporation. It will be an artistic, substantial, enduring monument to the public spirit, civic pride and cultural aspirations of the present generation of The Gardens citizens.



Photographed April 1, 1926, by Monteiro

to the dwellers in The Gardens for sound investment in community happiness and welfare, as well as in individual enjoyment.

worthy of The Gardens. It was designed by Mr. Grosvenor Atterbury, the eminent architect who has supervised the building development of The Gardens from the beginning.





## *Here Are the Facts*

on which subscriptions to the Debenture Bonds of the Community House are offered:

The postponement of the erection of the building has resulted in large economies. The original estimate of \$250,000, by careful engineering has been reduced until the contract cost for the building (in addition to the planning and foundation costs of \$25,000) is only \$135,000. A few public-spirited citizens of The Gardens, led by the

Chairman of the Building Committee, have made possible this great saving by spending much time, effort and thought on the problem during the past few years.

The plans have been drawn and re-drawn, revised and re-revised until the building is as nearly perfect in its adaptation to its purposes and environment as is humanly possible.

When the Community House was first projected, representatives of the various organizations in The Gardens collaborated with the architectural committee and offered suggestions for the floor plans and arrangements. The accepted plans on which the Community House is now being built are the result of innumerable conferences and the painstaking care of those faithful and hard-working women and men.

More than three hundred citizens have already contributed money to bring the enterprise to its present state of progress. Many of those who

have contributed have expressed a desire to contribute more, now that the work is being pushed to completion.

## *Assurance of Permanent, Trustworthy Control*

The management and uses of the Community House will be directed by a Committee of Citizens representative of various interests of the community.

For very good practical reasons, legal title to the property will be vested in the corporation of the Church-in-the-Gardens.

The two outstanding reasons for having the property owned by the church are: exemption from taxation as church property, and the assurance of a trustworthy and permanent control of the prop-

erty for its avowed purposes of community welfare. The Church-in-the-Gardens has always been "community minded." Its doors have been thrown open for meetings of various organizations which make up our community life. It can be relied upon to continue its public spirited policy through the Community House, but on even broader lines.

Add to this the fact of management by the representative Committee of Citizens, as above mentioned, and you have an ideal organization assuring impartial treatment of all.



## *Here Are Some of the Purposes*

for which the Community House will be used, purposes which will be supplemented, no doubt, as the interests of the community develop and broaden:

It will afford a meeting place for such organizations as The Gardens Players, the Mothers' Club, the Choral Club, the local post of the American Legion, the Boy Scouts, the Girl Guides, the Men's Club, the Women's Club, the Celebrations Association, the Gardens Corporation, various philanthropical societies and committees, etc.

The splendid auditorium, seating nearly five hundred persons, will be equipped with a stage, and will be available for amateur theatricals, lectures, concerts, citizens' meetings, religious services, dances, parties and various social entertainments.

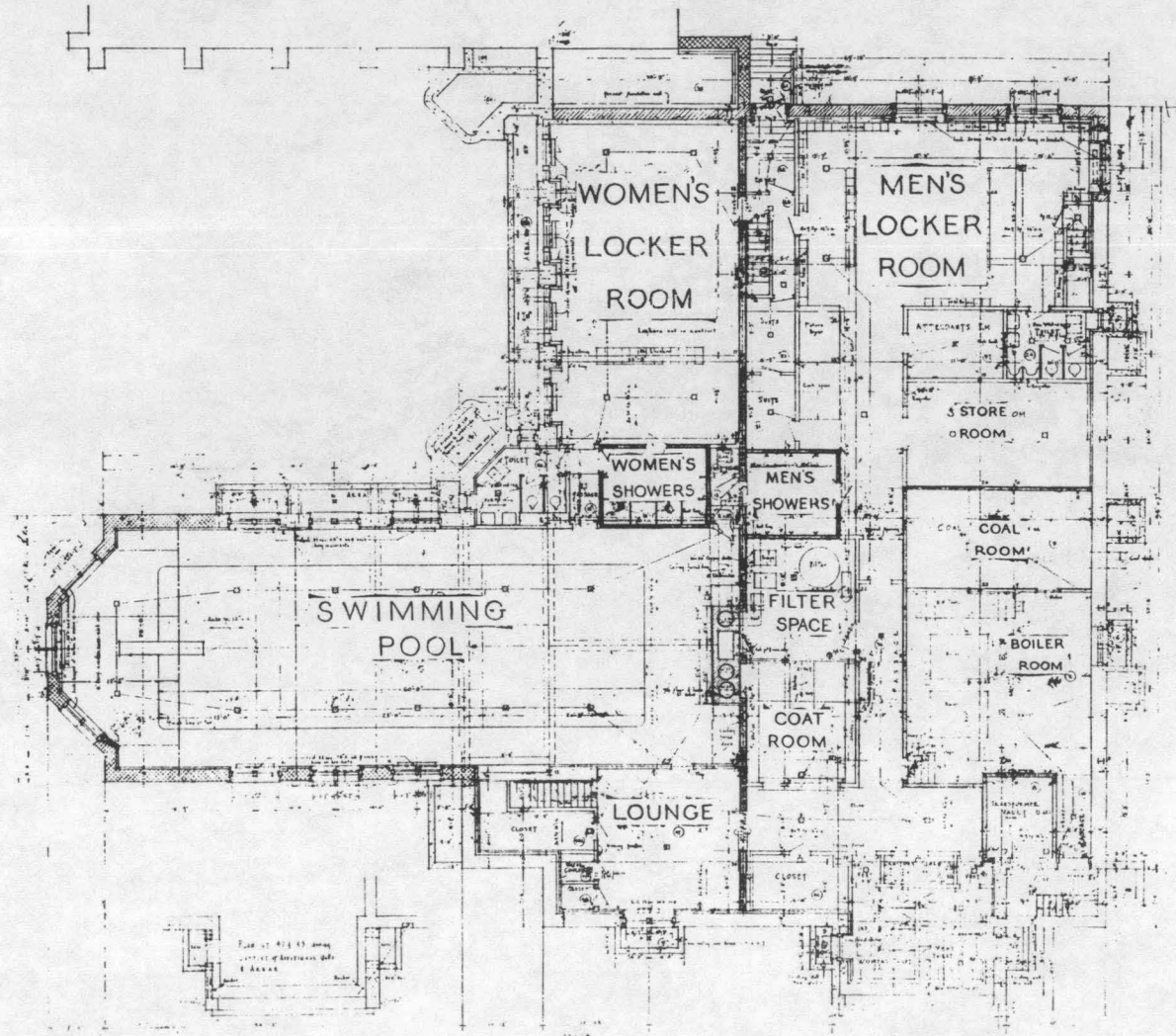
A splendid gymnasium will be available for all residents of Forest Hills Gardens and it is expected that classes will be conducted under trained

supervision for men, women and children. Provision for indoor golf practice and handball will be made.

A modern tiled swimming pool, sixty feet long, will be a perpetual source of enjoyment; it will be available at appointed hours for the use of men, women and children.

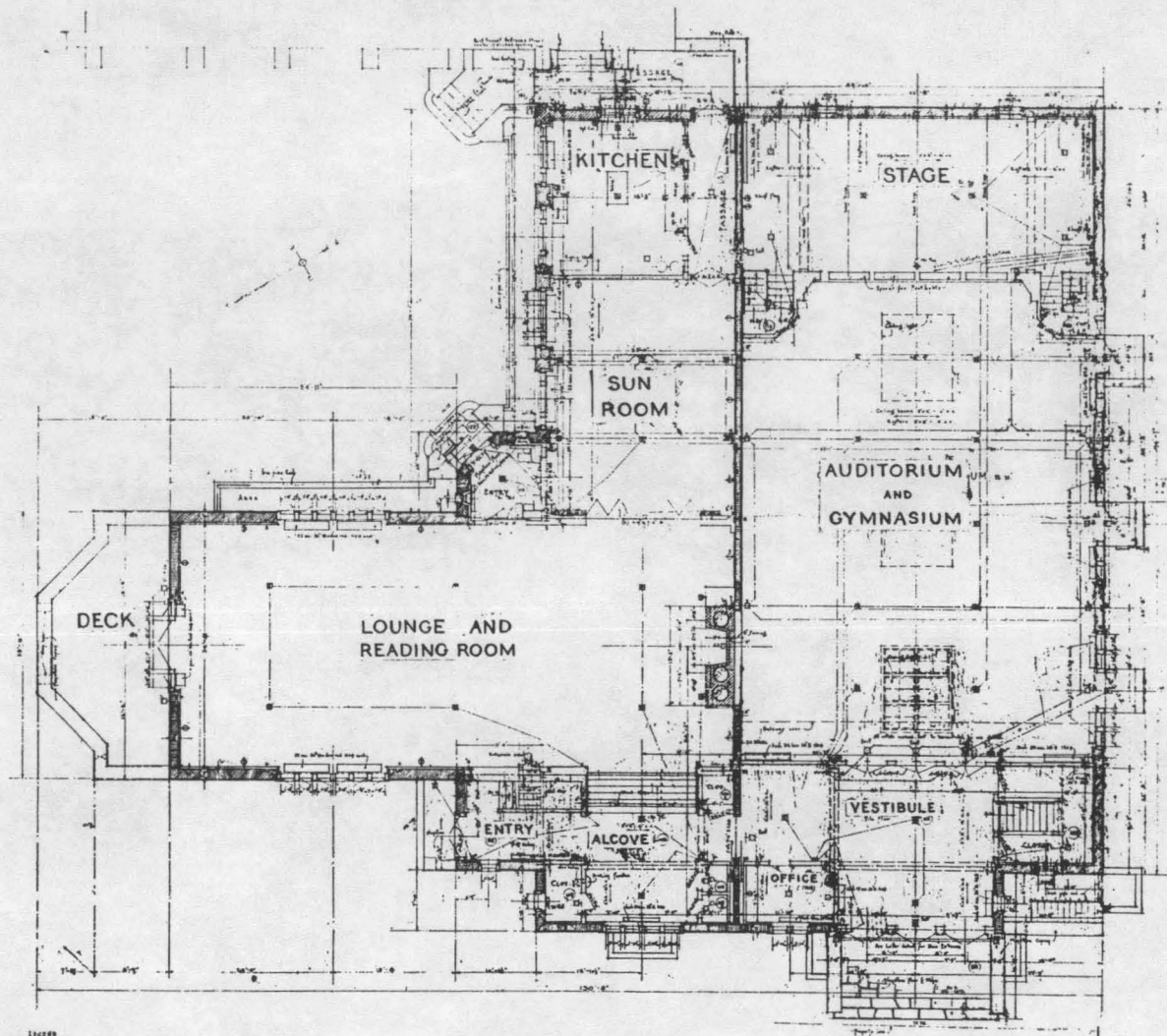
In connection with the gymnasium and swimming pool there will be men's locker rooms and women's locker rooms and showers. Lounge, social and sun rooms will be provided where neighbors can meet and have friendly visits. There will be reading room facilities and eventually, no doubt, a library of good books will be installed.

A modern kitchen will be an attractive feature, providing facilities for giving luncheons, teas and suppers.



FIRST FLOOR PLAN  
Scale 1/4" = 1'-0"





DOORS  
 WINDOWS  
 STAIRS  
 ELEVATOR  
 CLOSET  
 OFFICE  
 VESTIBULE  
 ENTRY  
 LOUNGE AND READING ROOM  
 SUN ROOM  
 KITCHEN  
 STAGE  
 AUDITORIUM AND GYMNASIUM  
 DECK

MAIN FLOOR PLAN  
1/8" = 1'-0"

## How the Community House Fund Stands

(Compiled from Official Statement of the Treasurer,  
as of December 31, 1925)

### *Receipts*

On account of pledges made by over 300 citizens.....	\$32,988.00
Gift of Mrs. Alfred H. Smith to pay for the land.....	14,930.00
Bequest of Mrs. Alfred H. Smith for furnishings .....	20,000.00
Gift of Women's Guild.....	2,509.74
Interest on Securities, etc.....	3,999.69
Total Receipts* .....	\$74,427.43

### *Expenditures*

Cost of Land.....	\$14,930.00
Title Expense.....	146.08
Architectural Service.....	8,806.10
Excavation and Foundation.....	16,303.65

*Investment in Land and Building* ..\$40,185.83

Miscellaneous Expenses.....	2,836.79
Cash Assets (Liberty Bonds, U. S. Certificates and Cash) .....	31,404.81
Total .....	\$74,427.43

\* Not including \$20,000 received from Estate of Mrs. Alfred H. Smith for *endowment*; income only to be used for maintenance.

## What the Community House Fund Needs

To Complete the Building will cost.....	\$135,000.00
(Contract \$132,500; landscaping \$2,500)	
To furnish the Building, estimated cost.....	25,000.00
Total Funds Needed.....	<u>\$160,000.00</u>

To meet these needs we have *approximately*:

Cash Assets (See Statement on opposite page) .....	31,000.00
Unpaid Pledges (After making allowance for uncollectible pledges due to deaths, re- movals, etc. ....)	29,000.00
Loan and grant proposed by Congregational Church Board .....	<u>15,000.00</u>
Total Funds in Sight.....	\$75,000.00
<i>Money Yet to Be Raised</i> .....	<i>\$85,000.00</i>



## Additional Funds to the Extent of \$85,000

are needed immediately to complete and furnish the building as will be seen from the foregoing statements.

The Executive Committee of the Citizens Ways and Means Committee have unanimously decided on the following plan for raising the additional funds needed, and the plan has been officially authorized by the Church-in-the-Gardens.

Debenture Bonds are to be issued in denominations of \$1000, \$500 and \$100.

Subscribers will be furnished with bonds corresponding to the amount of their subscriptions when paid.

Individuals who previously subscribed and paid \$100 or more on pledges to the Community House fund will, if they request, be furnished with bonds covering their fully paid subscriptions. Those who have paid uneven amounts may obtain bonds in multiples of \$100 by paying the necessary additional amounts.

These bonds are an actual investment rather than an outright contribution, *because they will be redeemed*, as described fully in the bonds themselves.

In an actual money sense they are non-interest bearing, and are subordinated to other indebtedness, but in a larger sense, *they will yield a high rate of interest* in satisfaction, happiness, community friendliness, character building, good health, wholesome environment and the general welfare of the community.

Anyone buying a bond prior to or on July 4, 1926, will be known as a *Founder* of the Community House. All Founders will have their names enrolled in some suitable manner in the Community House. This is a democratic undertaking and everyone buying bonds to the best of his ability will be treated as everyone else.

## Once a Year Beginning in 1928

a meeting of the Founders of the Community House will be held, attended by pleasant social features, at which a drawing of bonds to be called for payment will be conducted. Lots will be drawn and at least \$2,000 of bonds will be redeemed. It is anticipated that much interest and pleasure will attend this annual drawing and it will become an event and a tradition in the life of The Gardens. The success of this plan has been demonstrated in other similar causes, where the annual drawing of bonds is looked forward to with great anticipation by the bond holders.

The Community House will have many opportunities for revenue. Well patronized, it should produce a surplus, enabling the management to retire *more* than \$2,000 in bonds annually. Already there have been several applications for the use of the auditorium, an indication of the revenue-producing possibilities of the building.

It is earnestly hoped by all the members of the Citizens Committee that *every resident* of Forest Hills Gardens will become an owner of these bonds and that *everyone will subscribe to the limit of his ability*.

The Executive Committee wish to offer this suggestion: that residents of The Gardens who do not have children but who are interested in the welfare of the community should invest in these bonds as heavily as possible for themselves, while residents who have children might very well, for sentimental reasons, invest in as large a bond as possible for each member of the family.

In the course of time all of the bonds will be redeemed, some in 1928, and annually thereafter. You or "your heirs, successors or assigns" will *get the money back* that you put into Community House Debenture Bonds.

The Executive Committee, in whose name this booklet of information is issued, received its appointment and authority from a group of citizens who met and enrolled as a Citizens Ways and Means Committee of the Community House, at a meeting held Wednesday, March 10, 1926.

The Executive Committee was appointed from the larger committee because it was felt that a

large committee would prove unwieldy in directing the program of raising funds for the Community House. But every member of the Citizens Ways and Means Committee agreed at the meeting to give the movement his personal interest and to be subject to assignments of special duties by the Executive Committee.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

DONALD G. CLARK  
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ROBERT GREIG  
FRED GRETSCH  
HENRY HOF  
NIELS FRODE HOLCH  
GEORGE H. MERRILL  
JOHN M. McMILLIN  
GARDNER OSBORN  
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EDWIN BIRD WILSON  
NATHANIEL R. WILKES  
*Chairman*

LOUIS DEAN SPEIR,  
*Counsel*



# CITIZENS WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE\*

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W. T. Anderson  
A. P. Armour  
T. L. Atkinson

George H. Boyce  
Clark Brown  
F. E. Bauer  
W. H. Batcheller  
Geo. E. Batcheller  
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E. Bouchelle  
Rev. C. E. Burton, D.D.  
Walter P. Burden

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John F. Byrnes  
Leonard Buck  
William Preston Beazell  
Harry W. Barnard  
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Douglas D. Ballin  
John J. Bliss  
R. E. Ball  
H. P. Bogart  
L. M. Burt  
Lester Brion  
H. R. Bayley

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Donald G. Clark  
Charles Pope Caldwell  
W. R. Clymer  
Homer Croy  
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Thos. J. Mitchell  
Albert V. Moore  
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H. C. Winde  
John P. Welsh  
W. H. Woods  
Capt. Roger Williams  
Dr. John M. Wheeler  
Geo. B. Williamson  
Joseph Wilkinson  
A. J. Wilson  
John M. Wheeler  
F. Percy West  
A. A. Weinman

S. C. Young

\* Names received after April 12, 1926, could not be included, on account of going to press on that date.

*When you cheerfully do your share of work for  
the Common Weal;*

*When you gracefully meet the responsibilities of  
life, public and private;*

*When you freely co-operate with your neighbors*

*~ You are a good citizen*

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE  
of  
FOREST HILLS GARDENS  
PREAMBLE

The Community House of Forest Hills Gardens has been built to serve the community as hereinafter set forth. It was erected from gifts, subscriptions, and the sale of non-interest bearing bonds, which bonds are a direct obligation of the Church-in-the-Gardens and are to be amortized at the rate of at least two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) annually, commencing in 1928.

While the ownership of the property and the ultimate control and financial responsibility lies with the Church-in-the-Gardens, the Church invited the community through representatives of the leading organizations to share in the management of the House.

The Board of Trustees, representing the Church, in so far as it can legally and properly do so delegates to the Governing Board, hereinafter described, the management of the House and its activities on all week-days, reserving to the Church the control of the building and its activities on Sundays.



# **I Plan of Organisation**

## **Article I. Section I**

### **Name and Purpose**

The building shall be called "The Community House of Forest Hills Gardens," and shall be devoted to the character building of the children of the Gardens and the promotion of the social, religious, educational, charitable, patriotic, and other constructive activities of the people of Forest Hills Gardens.

## **Article II. Section I**

### **Management and Direction**

The management and direction of the affairs of the House shall be exercised by a Governing Board of nineteen (19) members.

### **Section 2. Membership of the Board**

a) The Governing Board shall consist of the ten Trustees of The Church-in-the Gardens and nine other members, representative of and chosen by cooperating organizations in the Gardens, each organization limited to one representative.

b) The Trustees of The Church-in-the-Gardens shall automatically become members of the Governing Board during their terms as Trustees of The Church-in-the-Gardens.

c) The representatives of the cooperating organizations shall be members of the Board for the calendar year or until their successors shall have been chosen to succeed them.

d) The resignation of any member of the Governing Board, from the cooperating organization which he or she represents, shall automatically cancel his or her membership on the Governing Board, and the organization which he or she represents shall designate another representative to succeed him or her.

e) If any of the cooperating organizations fail to designate a representative, within sixty days, or if any such organization withdraws its

representative from the Governing Board and does not within sixty days name a new representative then the Board may designate some other organization to be represented upon the Board. Such new organization shall be asked to designate its representative to serve upon the Board for the unexpired term. If the invited organization fails to designate a representative within sixty days, then the Board may select a member from the community at large.

f) During the month of October in each year the Governing Board shall ask each organization having a representative on the Governing Board to name its delegate for the succeeding year.

### Section 3. Officers of the Board

a) The Governing Board shall elect from its membership a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary to hold office for one year, commencing February 1st.

b) The Treasurer of the Church-in-the-Gardens shall be the Treasurer of the Community House.

c) The officers of the Board shall discharge the duties customarily pertaining to their respective offices.

### Section 4. Standing Committees

The Governing Board shall appoint each year the following standing committees:

a) A House Committee of three members which shall have charge of the care and management of the building and grounds of the Community House.

b) An Activities Committee of seven which shall have general charge of the activities in connection with the House and shall fix the schedule for all uses of the building and its facilities but under the direction of the Governing Board.

c) A Membership Committee whose number and duties shall be determined from time to time by the Governing Board.



d) A Finance Committee of three which shall recommend to the Governing Board a budget for the operation of the House and a schedule of minimum donations or contributions which shall be required to defray the expenses to the House.

e) An Auditing Committee of two which shall arrange for the auditing of the books of the House and shall approve the Treasurer's report before it shall be submitted to the Governing Board.

#### Section 5. Meetings

a) A regular meeting of the Governing Board shall be held once in each month and special meetings may be held at any time at the call of the President or at the request of not less than five members of the Board. Notice of all meetings shall be given in writing to the members of the Board.

b) An Annual Opening Meeting shall be held between the 20th and 31st days of January of each year, the day to be determined by the Governing Board. At this meeting officers and committees shall present their annual reports. Beginning in 1928 at this meeting bonds shall be called for redemption as provided in the issue.

c) Seven members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

### Article III

#### Section 1. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the House shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

### II Plan of Management

#### Article I. Section 1. Direction

As set forth in the preamble the Governing Board shall direct general affairs of the House and control its funds and finances. It shall instruct officers and committees in their duties and shall have power to overrule and set aside any action of such officers and committees. It



shall decide all questions not determined by this Plan of Organization and Management.

Article II. Section 1. Employed Personnel

The Governing Board shall elect or appoint the employed personnel of the House and shall determine their salaries, duties and terms of employment.

Article III. Section 1. Committees

Committees shall supervise the purchases of all articles required in their department provided that such expenditures and commitments shall not exceed the amounts specifically provided for in the budget.

Section 2.

Committees shall approve all bills for expenditures made by them before payment by the Treasurer.

Article IV. Section 1. Membership

Upon the approval of the Governing Board bond holders and subscribers, to bonds whose payments are not in arrears, and their immediate families, shall be entitled to membership in the House and the use of its facilities upon the payment of such dues, fees, and charges as may be determined by the Governing Board.

Section 2.

If the facilities of the House shall permit, the governing board may admit to membership in the House and the use of its facilities, upon payment of such dues, fees and charges as it may determine, non-bond holders, (1) residents of Forest Hills Gardens who are members of The Church-in-the-Gardens or a cooperating organization; (2) non-residents of Forest Hills Gardens who are members of the Church-in-the-Gardens or a cooperating organization; (3) residents of Forest Hills Gardens who are

not members of The Church-in-the-Gardens of a cooperating organization.

Section 3.

Any member may be refused the privileges of the House for the non-payment of dues, fees, and/or charges, for violation of the rules or regulations, or for conduct deemed by the Governing Board detrimental to the welfare of the House.

III Modification and Amendments

Article I Section 1.

Changes and/or amendments in this plan of organization and management may be made by a two-thirds vote of the Governing Board provided that such changes shall have been submitted to the members of the Board in writing at least ten days prior to the meeting at which they are to be voted upon, subject to ratification by The Church-in-the-Gardens.

Article II Section 2.

If condition shall demand, this plan of organization and management may be changed and/or amended by a vote of The Church-in-the-Gardens at a Corporate meeting, provided such proposed changes and/or amendment shall have been read from the pulpit at a regular Sunday service on the two Sundays next preceding the date of the meeting at which they are to be voted upon.

THE CHURCH IN THE GARDENS  
FOREST HILLS, L. I.  
NEW YORK

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 6th, 1926.

THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

To Representatives of Co-Operating Organizations  
and Trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens:

A meeting to act on the Plan of Organization and  
Management of the Community House, to elect Officers  
of the Governing Board as provided in the Plan to be  
adopted, and transact other business, will be held in  
the Lounge of the Community House -

SUNDAY EVENING - OCT. 10TH - 8 P.M.

We trust you can conveniently attend.

*E. G. Clark*  
Secretary pro tem



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Judge George Boyce,  
Greenway Terrace,  
Forest Hills, N.Y.

Dear Judge,

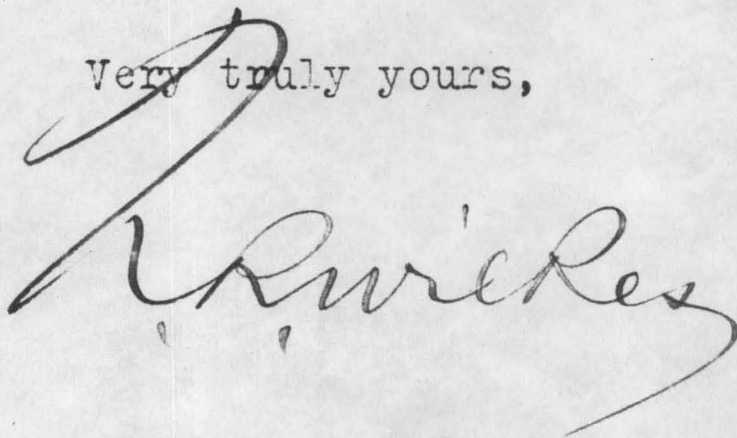
Please note that I have appointed  
Mr. L. R. Blackhurst captain in zone 5, in the  
place of Mr. Gardiner Osborne: also the follow-  
ing appointments in the places stated, -

Mr. Albert N. Hutchinson	-	Forest Arms Apartments,
" Harry D. Wood	-	Forest Hills Inn,
" George Cunningham	-	Gardens and Tennis Apartments.

These gentlemen have been supplied  
with cards, subscription blanks, booklets and other  
necessary data and are selecting their own team-  
mates for the promotion of the drive.

I send you these names in order  
that you may have your records complete.

Very truly yours,



May 19th, 1926.

## SUGGESTIONS FOR TALK FOR BOND SALESMEN.

Better to go in pairs.

We are here to talk about the Community House.

Have you looked over the booklet?

Have you seen the building?

What do you think about the proposition?

It is under roof already and we are hoping to dedicate it as a part of the 4th of July Celebration. If it is not completely finished then, it will very shortly thereafter. This summer the swimming pool will be going full blast, and beginning next fall all the activities of the Community House will be utilized.

Ten local organizations including the Community Council, Men's Club, Women's Club, Mother's Club, Celebrations Association, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and American Legion, will utilize the building for their activities. It will particularly be used by the children of the Gardens in all their activities and as Lawrence Abbott said at a meeting sometime ago, "we are dedicating the building to the present and future children of the Gardens, where they can conduct all their activities under the proper supervision and the best of conditions."

The big auditorium will be used as gymnasium, theatre, large meeting room and a hall for dancing. The smaller assembly room for affairs attended by not more than 150 people and a complete kitchen and sun room are additional facilities, which will be made use of right along. The tiled swimming pool, lockers, heating plant, etc., are in the basement.

The management of the Community House is to be turned over to the representatives of the different organizations here in the Gardens. It is the idea that there will be a family charge of say \$50. a year for membership in the Community House and it is thought that at least 200 of the 800 families in the Gardens will be sure to join on this basis. There will probably be a great many more. At any rate with \$10,000 a year coming in from memberships, there should be no difficulty in covering the operating expenses as the different facilities will be available for private purposes on a paying basis. Already applications have been made for the use of the gymnasium, the tank and the assembly room and some of the other facilities from nearby schools, organizations and individuals. With the building free and clear, no interest or taxes to pay, we will be in a splendid condition financially.



The present bond purchasers are loaning their money to the proposition and those who use it in the future will pay them back, according to the plan, which provides for redemption of a minimum of \$2000. worth of bonds annually by lot from 1928 on. This stretches the repayment over a long number of years putting a hardship on no one.

We are making this personal solicitation because \$85,000. can not be raised like the money for the 4th of July celebration. There must be a number of good sized contributions. All the workers have made contributions already, some of them having paid in as much as \$1000. on previous subscriptions and are now putting in more money and their time. This proposition must be put over right and we are sure you will do your share to make Forest Hills go over in our first big local undertaking. Your neighbors are doing their share and we want you to buy just as much as you feel is possible.

Payments are made either in cash within 30 days, 4 monthly payments beginning in 30 days or ten monthly payments, beginning in 30 days. This makes it quite easy for you to take one or more of the thousand dollar bonds, that is less than the cost of membership in a golf club and surely we ought to be willing to pay into an enterprise like this, in our own Community, as much as is required for a golf club which at best is used only part of the year and frequently by only one member of the family. The community house will be used every day in the year and will have features appealing to every member of the family.

At this point it is particularly desirous to make every effort to make a maximum contribution. The idea of the personal solicitation is to get \$2000 to \$5000 from the man who thinks he is going to buy a \$1000 bond and to get a \$1000 from all who contemplate buying a \$500 bond and \$500 from nearly everyone else and \$100 or more from the rest. It always develops in cases of this kind that the people say that they were given no reason why they should pay more than so much, which they had previously intended to contribute. It is therefore a test of our salesmanship that after a man has been called on he will have to admit that the solicitor got him to buy the very maximum that he could afford. It is only in this way that we shall be able to put it over. Some people justifiably should not buy any bonds because of their financial condition. We do not want to try to urge such people to make a pledge which they morally should not make. On the other hand, we must do our utmost to get the largest possible subscriptions from those who can afford to buy bonds and that is your particular job.



COMMUNITY HOUSE OF FOREST HILLS GARDENS  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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On a/c of Bond Int 48000  
 Collected 29,550  
 Int.

Collected 134,814 <sup>0.3</sup> on  
 Borrowed at Bank \$80,000  
 due

Expenses on a/c of  
 Const of Bldg. 161.50

Cost of Land \$15,076.08  
 Drainage - 19,692.91

\$196,293 <sup>28</sup> include  
 entire cost to date

213,075 Cost of Bldg to date

Cash Balance Bldg Fund 1784. <sup>28</sup>

45,000 to be raised to complete  
 old deficiencies in order to  
 complete Bldg

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## COMMUNITY IN SORROW

### Death of Rowland Holbrook Smith Removes a Leading Citizen—Memorial Meeting to be Held

In Business, Philanthropic, Civic, Community and  
Church Life He Was a Prominent Man—  
A Most Interesting Career

The people of Forest Hills Gardens were saddened by the news of the death of Rowland Holbrook Smith, at his home, 97 Continental Avenue, on the afternoon of April 2, from septic pneumonia, following an operation for the removal of tonsils two weeks before. In every home of the village men and women, boys and girls, universally expressed the sorrow that was felt by all, and this grief was expressed by friends everywhere.

The funeral services were held on Easter afternoon at 3:30 at the residence, conducted by Dr. D. G. Latshaw, of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A., and the large home was filled with friends. Dr. Latshaw spoke of Mr. Smith's open mind, which resulted in his freedom of thought and action. This was shown in his business, where he blazed new trails and made a wonderful name for himself. And by it he proved that a man can be successful in business and conduct it in a noble, righteous and generous way. In the Men's Club as president his mind was always open. This same open-mindedness was particularly true of his church connection, where he thought out new activities and was the guiding spirit in the plans of a Community House, to be erected by the Church-in-the-Gardens. Dr. Latshaw spoke of the beautiful home and social life, where the open mind was shown in his democracy and his kindly hospitality. His generosity, Dr. Latshaw dwelt upon as remarkable, extended, as it was, towards the down and out and the unrecognized needy. He was generous to big causes and in big ways, and all of this generosity was for no return. Finally the speaker emphasized the Christlike life of Mr. Smith as something predominating.

Mrs. George Smart read Whittier's "Eternal Goodness," and Riley's "Away," and spoke of the qualities of Mr. Smith's character which assure for him eternal life. Music was furnished by Mrs. C. H. W. Hasselriis, Miss Elise Gardner, Mrs. George LeBlanc and J. Gorton Marsh. Interment was at Woodlawn the next day.

Rowland Holbrook Smith was born in Manhattan, Dec. 14, 1879, the son of Alfred H. and Mrs. Susie Dennis Smith. After securing his education, he early went into business with his father and when his father died in 1904 he assumed the management of the business and assisted in incorporating the Alfred H. Smith Company. This company has continued the business of importing toilet articles, Mr. Smith acting as treasurer and vice-president, later becoming president. In the last sixteen years he had greatly enlarged the business, working against odds and competition, and as times changed he specialized the lines carried.

His public connections have been broad and varied. He has been active in the Merchants' Association. For two Liberty Loan drives he was chairman for his trade. As a member of the executive committee of Serbian Relief he has rendered valuable service. His benefactions have covered many lines.

In Forest Hills Gardens he has been this year the president of the Men's Club. As a member of the board of trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens and later as chairman, he has actively and generously encouraged the erec-



ROWLAND HOLBROOK SMITH

tion of a Community House by the Church.

On Mar. 13, 1906, he was married to Miss Jessie P. Cooke of Brooklyn at the Janes M. E. Church. She and three children, Dorothy, Alfred H. and Edith, survive. Also he is survived by his mother and two sisters, Miss Nellie M. and Mrs. John J. Vogler.

The hundreds of letters of sympathy received by the family and the many floral pieces have all been sincerely appreciated by them and they wish the BULLETIN to express the gratitude which their hearts feel.

## MEMORIAL MEETING

The Men's Club and the Church-in-the-Gardens will hold a memorial meeting for the late Rowland H. Smith, on Sunday afternoon, April 18, at four o'clock at the church. Lawrence F. Abbott will speak for the Men's Club, of which Mr. Smith was president; Dr. D. G. Latshaw will represent the Church, of which Mr. Smith was chairman of the board of trustees; Mr. Smith's patriotic work will be reviewed by S. W. Eckman; his relations to his fellow workers will be described by Leo O'Connell; his active support of the Serbian relief will be spoken of by John A. Kingsbury; Luther Lewis, an old friend, will give a tribute and W. J. Gould, of Gould's Farm, a philanthropy in which Mr. Smith was interested, will speak for that. Mrs. George C. LeBlanc will have charge of the music and George Smart, acting president of the Men's Club, will preside. All friends of Mr. Smith are invited to attend.



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## ROWLAND HOLBROOK SMITH

THE village of Forest Hills Gardens stands silent; this is a royal soul that has passed on and he goes surrounded, not only by the flowers of human love, because of our personal affection, but by all the public tributes which the community can pay. He was tender and gentle with young and old, rich and poor. The strength and force of his intellect and character constantly were shown. Then, too, his generosity was not only of material things, but even more was shown in the giving of his time, his talents and himself, always making a sacrifice of himself for any person or cause which needed him. The devotion to his mother and sisters and his tender and beautiful thought of his wife and children are sweet to remember.

He lives and shall always live in our better selves; in the memories of his precious home and beloved family; in the Church-in-the-Gardens which he broadened and helped to start on new paths of greater service to the community. He lives in God's Home of the spirits of noble men!

Years ago a poet wrote of the apparent insignificance of human life in something after this fashion:

"Unmourned, unwept, unsung,  
 The countless millions move along,  
 Like sparks from off an anvil flung,  
 Glitter a moment, then are gone."

This was not true of Rowland Holbrook Smith. He was not a spark which has glittered and gone; but was a spark which has become a fixed star! A fixed and brilliant star in business, in community, in church and family life.

## DEATH OF A PIONEER RESIDENT

Mrs. Eunice E. Taylor died at her residence, 8 Shorthill Road, on April 10. She was born in Hereford, England, Jan. 9, 1844. Mrs. Taylor was the widow of the late Robert W. Taylor. Four daughters survive her, Miss Emma L., Miss Mary E., whose home was with their mother, Mrs. Grant B. Rossman, of Boston, and Mrs. Harold E. O'Neill, of New York. Mrs. Taylor and Misses Emma and Mary have been residents of Forest Hills Gardens for seven years.

The funeral services were conducted, April 12, 1920, at the home, by the Rev. Julian K. Smyth, pastor of the Swedenborgian church on East 35th Street, New York, of which Mrs. Taylor had been a member for more than forty years.

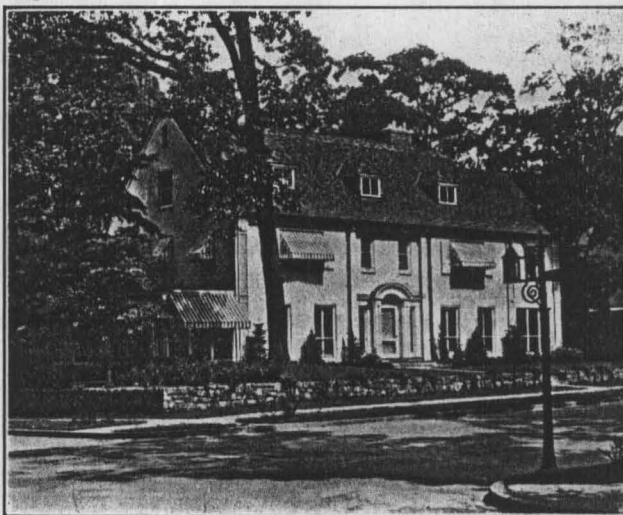
## MISS MARSHALL CHARMS LARGE CROWD

The Church-in-the-Gardens Filled to Hear a Famous Singer in Period Songs.

A capacity house heard Miss Winifred Marshall, in the Church-in-the-Gardens on the evening of April 12, when her recital of period songs was given under the auspices of the Women's Guild for the benefit of the Community House fund. Miss Marshall's voice, pure and true in tone and perfectly trained, was heard to splendid advantage in a varied program. Her winning, charming personality and her clever acting, combined with much coquetry, completely captivated her audience. Her very unusual costumes, copied after old prints, add much to her charming singing. In the Scotch group, "Jamie" received most applause, while in the Irish group, "I know where I'm goin'" took the best. The Italian songs showed the range of her voice and in the lovely Civil War period songs she was a delight. The "Laughing Song" in French was the most difficult and she measured up to her fine reputation. Clara Robb, at the piano, was a success.

The social hour was enjoyed by large numbers after the recital. To Mrs. Benj. A. Rolfe and Mrs. A. A. Renshaw and their committees the Guild and the town are indebted for a most delightful evening. The sum of \$175.00 was netted for the fund.

At the last meeting of the Guild on April 9 at Mrs. A. Van Houten's home, 6 Seasongood Road, Mr. Paul Leeds told of his work among the Indians of Louisiana. The Guild is a substantial contributor to several Home Missionary activities. At the next meeting on May 14, at the home of Mrs. F. E. Smith, Greenway South and Shorthill Road, the members will sew all day for the Armenian children. The Guild has over 100 members.



THE ROWLAND H. SMITH HOME

The doors of this home swing out to service and they swing in to hospitality.

## BOY SCOUTS WILL ENTERTAIN

On Tuesday evening April 27, at eight o'clock, in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, there will be a talk, illustrated with lantern slides, about Boy Scout work, camping, etc. This talk is given by the Queens Council under the auspices of the local troop two. All parents of Scouts and others interested in the work of the boys are cordially invited.

The troop two baseball team defeated the north side team by the score of 36 to 12 on Saturday April 3.

As a result of the cooking and fire making tests held on the hike on Mar. 27 tenderfoot Scouts Tyler Sweeney, Leon Schoen, Herman Mutchler, Robert Massey, Louis Pedlar and Allen Smart are now full fledged second class Scouts. Candidate George Woodward has passed the tenderfoot tests and has enrolled in the troop.

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## A NEW COMMUNITY SERVICE.

C. A. PERRY.

Last autumn the Forest Hills Taxpayers initiated in the school on the south side an undertaking for co-operatively taking care of children during playtime. The school yard was graded and equipped with apparatus, at large expense, by the Sage Foundation Homes Company, a playground supervisor was appointed by the Department of Physical Training of the Board of Education, and her salary was paid from October to December out of voluntary contributions from the residents. The season is again at hand when we may well consider the problems connected with the continuance and development of this new form of community service.

The need for co-operative attention to children's play life becomes apparent at once when we reflect upon our inability to handle the matter satisfactorily as individuals. The parents of this community are no more neglectful and our boys and girls are no more destructive than those of any other residential district. The truth is that every one of us, no matter how well bred we were, has childhood memories of smashed windows, despoiled shrubbery, pillaged orchards, bad words said and naughty deeds done, and it does not become us to throw stones at either the elders or the youngsters of the present generation. As a matter of fact children who have been left much to themselves have always and everywhere got more or less into mischief. If they did not, something was wrong with their health.

The most serious aspect of undirected play is not, however, the injury to property that incidentally results but the damage that may happen to child-nature, and the rich developments which may fail to take place. Children need to play with other children of the same sex and age. Modern families are too small for this to be possible. Boys need baseball. Girls need team play which is afforded by the relay races, basketball, volley ball and similar games. The individual family

alone cannot organize these games and without adults to arrange them and umpire them the virtues of fair play, persistency even when losing, and ability to make sacrifices for the benefit of the team will not be surely and thoroughly acquired. Again the modern city population is so blind and heterogeneous that the play traditions do not pass from one generation to another. Our children do not know the games which were familiar to us in our childhood. For all of these reasons they need expert and careful guidance and supervision during their play-hours.

Successful play supervision benefits everybody. Parents are able to discharge their obligation to the children more adequately. Homes are more desirable in communities where the play-life is ample and well ordered, so that the institution of playground service has a direct and improving effect upon property values. The children who enjoy a full and varied program of games and sports grow up into healthy, substantial citizens.

This year the conduct of the playground work has been taken over by the Woman's Club. Miss Lattimore, the chairman of the committee having the matter in charge, is now making plans for the season and will undoubtedly offer all of us an opportunity to co-operate. Money will be needed. If we all contribute, the burden upon each will be relatively slight. But we can realize all of the benefits of this new service only by joining with the youngsters now and then and living over some of the days of our own knickerbockhood.

## FIRE PREVENTION.

Fire Commissioner Adamson, in his address before the Taxpayers' Association, called attention to numerous causes of fires in suburban communities. Among them were carelessness with cigarettes, cigars and matches, allowing rubbish to accumulate, failing to take precaution in the care of stoves, furnaces, grates and lamps and the improper insulation of electric wires.


At the close of the address, the Commissioner was presented with an illuminated cartoon, painted in water colors, by Will P. Hooper, depicting a fully accoutered fireman hastening to a fire with a pitcher of ice water.

The editors of the Bulletin extend to all the organizations in town the courteous offer of the Eagle to send one of their staff lecturers—the same men who conduct its current topics talks—to speak on any topic requested by that organization. These men are specialists in their line—be it phases of the war or Shakespeare—and are trained public speakers. If anyone is interested in this offer telephone or write Mr. Gunnison, Jr., of the Eagle staff for further particulars. This service is free.



Forest Hills; so this organization has contented itself with competing in the Little Theatre Tournaments. It is the plan this year to read plays in the homes of members. Clarence A. Perry is president.

### FOREST HILLS AUDUBON SOCIETY



The Forest Hills Gardens Audubon Society was organized April 9, 1914 with 24 members, and for many years was active in the conservation of bird life, and in arousing the interest, not only of the adults of the community, but of the children in the schools, in our feathered friends. In the year 1922-1923, in the days of its greatest activity, there were 339 members. For many years Miss Mary E. Knevels was secretary and the guiding spirit of the Audubon Society. During the years 1921 to 1923, the society co-operated with the Long Island Bird Club in the work of bird conservation. At present it is deplorable to announce that this organization is in a Rip Van Winkle state.

### FOREST HILLS LODGE F. & A. MASONS

Forest Hills Lodge No. 946 of the Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York, was granted a dispensation December 18, 1916, by Most Worshipful Grand Master Penny to John Miller, Master; Robert Whyte, Senior Warden; Adam Treu, Junior Warden, and 15 brothers of different Lodges. The first meeting was held in Arcanum Hall, Elmhurst, when the dispensation was delivered. The charter was received May 13, 1917. The Lodge was constituted by Most Worshipful Townsend Scudder on June 4, 1917, assisted by a large number of Grand Lodge officers.

As soon as the Lodge was constituted, the members set out to secure for themselves a home in Forest Hills. They bought land on Queens Boulevard and started the erection of a temple, with the understanding that they would first build the foundation and meet there until they had means to go further. They moved into their new quarters November 16, 1920. Their membership today is 187. The Master of the Lodge is Charles A. Richards.

### FOREST HILLS POST NO. 630, AMERICAN LEGION



Forest Hills Post No. 630, American Legion, was organized in 1919 with 30 members. There are 57 members today. The excellent preamble to the constitution is quoted here:

"For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the Great War; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation: to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness."

The present commander is H. D. Canaday.

### MOTHERS' CLUB—PUBLIC SCHOOL NO. 3

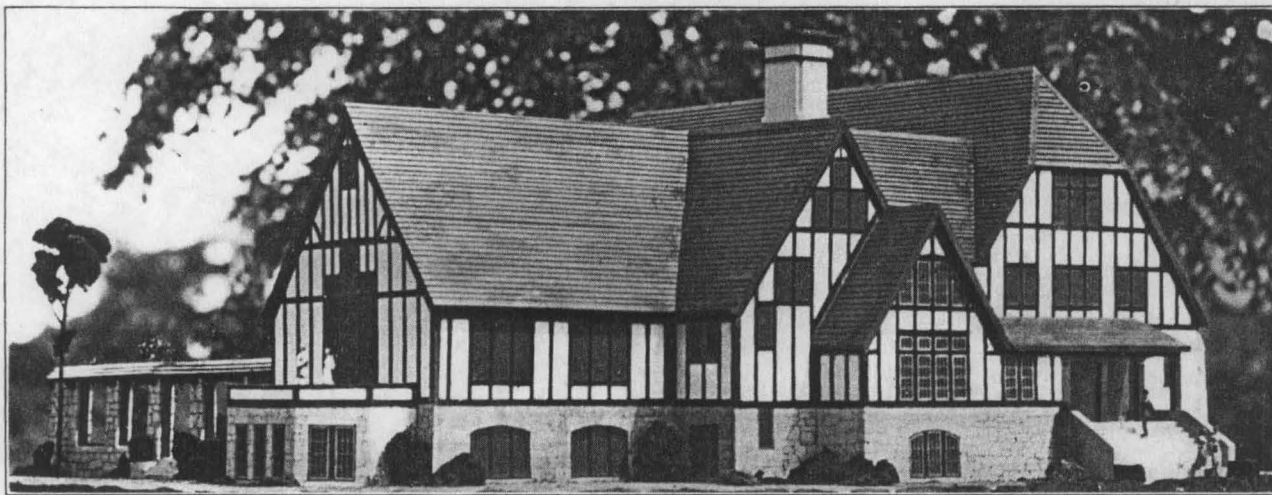
The Mothers' Club of Public School No. 3 was organized shortly before January, 1918. The membership on that date was 29 and the membership today is 100. This organization meets in the auditorium of the new Public School No. 3 building. Mrs. Frank A. Hanna is president.

### MOTHERS' CLUB OF FOREST HILLS GARDENS

The Mothers' Club of Forest Hills Gardens was organized April 10, 1921, with an approximate membership of 20. The present membership is 160. The meetings are held in Public School No. 101, and in the homes of the members. Mrs. Donald G. Clark is president.

### SCOUT TROOPS

For a number of years there was a troop of Boy Scouts conducted under the auspices of The Church-in-the-Gardens, with W. P. McCulloch and others as Scoutmasters. The troop was disbanded for a time, but the work has been started again



MODEL OF COMMUNITY HOUSE

Project of the Church-in-the-Gardens, planned to serve the whole community. Will be built on land given by Mrs. Susie D. Smith.



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## COMMUNITY HOUSE PLAN

### New Method of Operation Adopted—Contract for Construction to be Awarded in Few Weeks

At an enthusiastic meeting of the members of the Church-in-the-Gardens held Wednesday evening, a new start was made in the Community House movement, and a new plan was adopted for the management of the building after its completion. This plan carries out the suggestions made by the advisory board several months ago. The outlook now is that work on the construction will be resumed at a not far distant date, following the receipt of bids. Owing to the decreased cost of labor and materials, it is expected that the bids will be lower than it was thought possible a year ago.

George H. Merrill and Henry Hof, the building committee, reported that special conferences had been held with Grosvenor Atterbury, architect of the building, with a view to revising the building plans so as to reduce the cost. Mr. Atterbury will soon make a report and will provide detailed drawings and specifications. It is confidently believed that it will be possible to erect the structure with the funds which will be available, although it may be necessary to proceed by the unit plan of construction.

Gardner Osborn, chairman of the ways and means committee, gave a detailed report and stated that at an early date full information as to finances and prospects would be furnished subscribers and all others interested, and any subscribers who are not satisfied with the present plan for carrying out the project will be given an opportunity to cancel their subscriptions.

#### New Plan of Operation.

The following revised basis of operation of the Community House, conforming to the resolution offered by Thurlow Gordon and adopted by the advisory board last June (see BULLETIN of July 12), was submitted on behalf of the Trustees of the church and was unanimously adopted:

1. Since we assume full responsibility for the financing, construction and management of the Community House, to be called "The Community House of the Church-in-the-Gardens," it shall be recognized that the control of such building reposes in the corporate body of the Church-in-the-Gardens through its Board of Trustees.

2. That at such time as any portion of the building shall be ready for occupancy, the Corporation, at its annual meeting, shall appoint an Activities Committee, the number of which and the method of their selection to be determined by the Corporation, to take charge of such general activities as may be carried on in the building.

3. The budget for the maintenance and operation of the Community House shall become an integral part of the budget of the church to be submitted each year by the Board of Trustees for approval to the annual meeting of the Corporation.

4. In order that the building may serve its original purpose as an "institution for the character-building of its children and as a centre for community activities generally and as a means of promoting friendship, good-will and community spirit," we suggest that an Advisory Committee be retained, both during and following the period of construction, to advise with the Board of Trustees and the Activities Committee which the church may appoint as to how the building may serve the largest measure of the community's needs. We suggest that the Board of Trustees invite the following organizations to be represented on this Advisory Committee on the new basis, namely:

The Women's Club	The Forest Hills Choral Club
The Men's Club	American Legion (Local Post)
The Mothers' Club	Community Council.
The Gardens Players	Celebrations Association

to be similarly represented on the Advisory Committee on the new basis. The Board may at any time designate any other individual or organization to representation on this Advisory Committee.

5. The building when constructed, shall not be restricted to members of the Church-in-the-Gardens, but shall be open to the general community in accordance with such rules as the Board of Trustees or Activities Committee may determine.

6. The present Committees on Building, and Ways and

## FOREST HILLS ASSOCIATION ACTIVE

### Working to Keep Down Railroad Fares and to Secure a Park—Secretary Employed

At a recent meeting, the Forest Hills Association offered to donate \$125 to the work of the anti-mosquito committee provided a similar amount was donated by the Gardens Corporation and that direct representation be given the association on the committee and also that there be a report of the use of the funds.

Herbert Chase, president of the association, has been made vice-president of the Long Island Commuters' Association, which is making a strong effort to keep down the rates on the railroad. Mr. Chase and his fellow members feel that the Long Island Railroad is well compensated for service rendered. They realize that the Pennsylvania Railroad controls the policy of the Long Island Railroad and the large increase rental which the former company proposes to charge the latter is unfair and would eventually come out of the pockets of Long Island commuters. The hearings are still being conducted before the Transit Commission.

The association is hoping that a strip of land back of the Seminole Avenue Clubhouse be made into a park. It is asking the city to buy that land from the Cord Meyer Development Co. and with the city's adjoining land, a most desirable park could be made.

The association has employed an assistant secretary, Mrs. T. J. Van Brunt, of Metropolitan Avenue, who will solicit members and do clerical work.

A Hallowe'en party will be given Oct. 31, at the Masonic Temple, when admission will be by ticket at \$1 each.



One of the Many Beautiful Doorways in Forest Hills Gardens.

Means, shall be continued, and the chairman of each of these committees shall be expected to attend all regular meetings of the Board of Trustees during the period of building and construction.

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## NEW COMMUNITY HOUSE PLAN

### Advisory Board, Trustees and Members of Church-in-the-Gardens Take Important Action

At a meeting, June 16, of the Advisory Board of the Community House of the Church-in-the-Gardens, composed of various organizations of the village, the following resolutions, written by Thurlow M. Gordon, the chairman, were adopted:

*Resolved:* That in view of the changed conditions in the community since the plan for the Community House was first inaugurated, and in view of the unwillingness to co-operate in such plan on the part of certain organizations whose active participation had been hoped for, and the failure of the community generally (other than those members of the community who are affiliated with the Church-in-the-Gardens), to give the plan adequate support, it is the recommendation of the Community House Advisory Board, after careful consideration of all the circumstances, that the Church-in-the-Gardens recognize the existing situation and modify the original plan by assuming full responsibility for the financing, construction and management of a community house, to be called "The Community House of the Church-in-the-Gardens."

*Further Resolved:* That, in spite of this necessary change in plans, it is the hope of the Advisory Board that, as nearly as the means at the disposal of the Church may permit and with due regard for its own church activities, the proposed new building may be constructed and operated in such a way that it may still serve in the broadest way the needs of the whole community, as an institution for the character-building of its children and as a center for community activities generally and as a means of promoting friendship, good-will and community spirit.

*Further Resolved:* That it is the hope of the Advisory Board that members of the community not affiliated with the Church-in-the-Gardens who have heretofore agreed to contribute to the Community House may still be willing to give it their support; but it should be understood that such support is purely voluntary and that such subscribers will be released from their subscriptions if they so desire.

A few days later, June 20, the trustees of the church approved the resolutions and at a meeting the same day of the members of the church similar action was taken by the corporate body. It is now expected that the trustees will proceed under the new plan as above outlined in the resolution drafted by Mr. Gordon.

## SCOUT DRIVE GOES OVER TOP

At a dinner of campaign managers and workers, held in Jamaica on the evening of July 8, when Judge Richard S. Newcombe, as chairman, presided, it was announced that \$90,810 had been raised to carry on the Boy Scout work in Queens Borough. Judge Newcombe's home is in Forest Hills. The chairman of the Forest Hills drive has been C. W. Johnson, who reported \$6,731 raised in this village. Forest Hills is part of district 2, which reported the largest total of all the districts.

The scout workers sent a message of sympathy to President and Mrs. Coolidge in the death of Calvin, Jr., who, with his brother had been a scout, and who, as Franklin D. Roosevelt said at the Democratic convention, had been "called from life to life."

A rising vote of thanks was given Judge Newcombe for his splendid management of the campaign.

For many years W. P. McCulloch was scout master of a troupe in the Gardens. He was followed as leader by M. J. Folensbee, Gardner Osborn and others, but now there is no troupe in the Gardens, for the reason that no leader has been found.

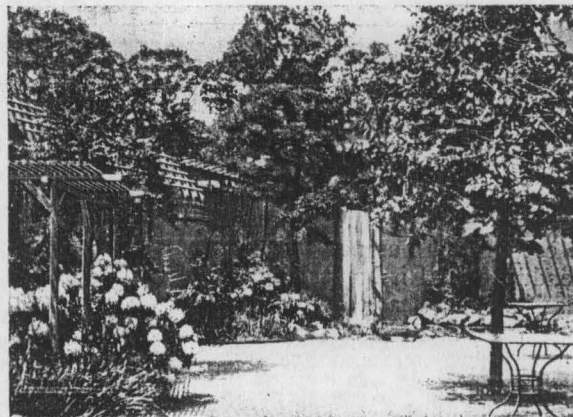
George Springsteen and M. J. Folensbee are directing a troupe which meets in the Presbyterian Church in Forest Hills.

## MUSICAL PROGRAM EVERY NIGHT

### Many Dine in the Tea Garden of Forest Hills Inn

The Tea Garden of the Forest Hills Inn is a veritable fairyland, when lighted with Japanese lanterns, with the trickling fountain heard in the background, and a new moon shining over head. There is no more delightful place in Greater New York for one to spend the dinner hour, and many motor from distant places to join the residents of the Inn and the Gardens who dine in the Tea Garden between 6:30 and 9 p. m. Every night of the week, weather permitting, dinner is served in the Tea Garden to a large crowd, who are attracted not only by the delectable menu but also by the excellent music skillfully rendered by the Inn Trio, of which Charles Prescott Poore is director. If the weather is unfavorable, all who come are served in the dining room and the trio plays indoors. The extra attraction every Saturday night is the dancing which is enjoyed in the ball room after the dinner hour.

The opening of the Tea Garden for dinner took place on June 28, and a special program by the trio, songs by Miss Adelaide de Loca and Alois Havrillo, dances by Lefa La Vine, Winifred Solden and Miss Agniel, charmed several hundred dinner guests. It would be hard to forget any of that well-arranged and artistically executed program, particularly the Egyptian and Gypsy dances of Miss Agniel, in the late twilight, with the spotlights bringing out the lines of her graceful figure.



Tea Garden, Forest Hills Inn—One of the Many Charming Vistas.

## CONCERTS BY THE INN TRIO

Saturday, July 12—6:30 to 9 p. m.

1. March, "A Frangesa".....Costa
2. Canzonetta .....Godard
3. Serenade .....Widor
4. Pulcinello .....Aletter
5. Love Song .....Flegier
6. Mlle. Modiste .....Herbert
7. Two Songs from Eliland.....von Fielitz
8. Cossack Revels, from Dance Suite...Ivan Tschakoff
9. Selection, from "Cavalleria Rusticana"...Mascagni
10. Spanish Dance .....Moszkowski

Sunday, July 13—6:30 to 9 p. m.

1. March, "Lorraine" .....Ganne
  2. Humoreske .....Dvorak
  3. A Day in Venice.....Nevin
  4. Serenata, from "Moorish Suite".....Chapi
  5. Minuet-Pastel .....Paradies
  6. Selection, from "La Tosca".....Puccini
  7. Scene lyrique, from "L'Enfant Prodigue"..Debussy
  8. Spring Song .....Mendelssohn
  9. A Night in Seville (Spanish Rhapsody)...Albeniz
  10. Polonaise, from "Boris Godounov"...Moussorgsky
- Director, Charles Prescott Poore.



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### A VERITABLE FAIRYLAND

SPENCER says that the quality of life is determined by the degree of response to the environment. What other response can the residents of Forest Hills have to charmingly restful and colorful environment which the shrubbery affords today than to want to know more about these growing things and to protect them? Harriet Keeler's "Our Northern Shrubs" will give an intimate acquaintance with the forsythia, azalea, magnolia now in bloom, and the dogwood, wild honeysuckle, rhododendron, weigela, spiraea, syringa and many more, which will bloom later and many of which will have the red berries in the autumn. The soft green outline and the colorful blooms of all the beautiful planting of shrubs in the parks and in the gardens help to make this village distinctive, a joy not only to those of us who live here, but to all who pass up and down our winding streets.

### A BEAUTIFUL ENDING OF THE EARTHLY LIFE

Just before twilight, on May 6, Caroline Alden Vose left her beautiful home, 97 Continental Avenue, for "God's Other Room." All over the village the deepest sympathy was at once expressed for the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alden H. Vose and the brothers, Baldwin and Alden and for the uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dannatt. Services were conducted at the residence Thursday afternoon, May 8, by the Rev. C. E. Silcox, of the Church-in-the-Gardens, and the body was placed in the vault in Maple Grove Cemetery.

Caroline was born in Clinton, Iowa, February 3, 1905. She had attended Kew-Forest School, Miss Ely's School, and would have graduated from the Bennett School June 2. She expected to enter the University of Wisconsin or the University of Virginia next fall. Unassuming and modest, with a keen sense of humor and most mature judgment, she knew how to make friends and to keep them. In the last hours, after a long and severe illness of pneumonia, with perfect consciousness, she told her loved ones that she must go and then clearly said: "I saw God and He called me." In the poet's words:

"Never the spirit was born, the spirit will cease to be never;  
Never was time it was not; End and Beginning are dreams!  
Birthless and deathless and changeless remaineth the spirit  
forever,  
Death hath not touched it at all, dead though the house of  
it seems!"

### BOOK CIRCULATION GROWING

Certain statistics given in the report of the library committee at the meeting of the Women's Club are a proof of progress.

Number of books circulated during the last year, 10,325. (This is an increase of 183 over the former year, and more than double that of three years ago.)

Juvenile circulation during the year, 3,316.

Number of books sent from the central building at Jamaica to the Forest Hills Station last year, 676. (This is a great improvement over other years.)

Number of adult members registered, 774; number of juvenile members registered, 71; total, 845. (The number of members has rapidly and greatly increased through the last two or three years.)

MacKinley Helm, lay assistant at St. Luke's Church, will be open for tutoring appointments after June 1. Address, General Theological Seminary, 175 Ninth Avenue, New York.

### OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Choral Club Holds Annual Meeting—Adopts New Constitution—Will Have New Director.

The following officers of the Forest Hills Choral Club were re-elected at the annual meeting held Tuesday evening, April 22, in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens: Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, president; Mrs. James R. Woodrough, Mrs. Albert N. Atkinson and Mrs. Frederick W. Kiendl, vice-presidents; J. Gorton Marsh, treasurer; George H. Boyce, secretary, and Mrs. Frederick Kentner, librarian. Samuel McConnell, chairman of the nominating committee, presented these names.

The meeting was enthusiastically attended and the reports were enjoyable, showing great progress. The treasurer reported a balance of \$400.

The club adopted a new constitution and by-laws, prepared and presented by Judge George H. Boyce.

A new conductor has been engaged for the coming year—Alfred Boyce, brother of Judge Boyce. Mr. Boyce comes to the Forest Hills Choral Club highly recommended by Bruno Huhn, and it is expected that he will make a most inspiring leader. Mr. Boyce has been the accompanist of the Apollo Club, Brooklyn, for ten years; organist and choir master of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, Jersey City, and the conductor of the Bergen County Choral Club. His studio is at 57 West 53d Street. Miss Alice Shaw has been re-engaged as accompanist. It is with confidence and determination that the club looks forward to the next season, and there is a resolution on the part of the members to make it even a better year than this year.

The next number of the BULLETIN will publish plans for the coming year.

### APRIL SHOWER A DOWNPOUR

The April Shower held in the ball room of the Inn, by the courtesy of the management, on the afternoon and evening of April 25, proved to be a veritable downpour. The fashion show which always attracts a crowd, held both afternoon and evening, was surely a perfect joy, for tiny tots, young girls, and young matrons—75 in all—displayed the latest styles with ease and abandon. There was an opportunity to have one's fortune told, home supplies were for sale, mah-jong sets were sold, gifts, perfumes, hand-woven spreads, etc., were all for sale. Waffles were served as refreshment! Evelyn Enola Rockwell made silhouettes right there in the improvised studio—silhouettes which resembled the subjects and were artistic and charming.

All bills have not been paid and all money has not been received, but there will surely be \$1,000 or more turned over to the Community House building fund as a result of the April Shower, which was conceived by Mrs. Charles H. Poore and carried out by her and a large number of women associated with her.

### CHILDREN DANCE FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE

The closing party and exhibition of Miss Eleanor Stone Rallett's classes in interpretative and character dancing were held in the ball room of the Forest Hills Inn, by courtesy of the management, on Saturday afternoon, May 3. A large number of very attractive children took part, all residents of Forest Hills, and they showed not only their own grace and charm, but the skill, imagination and intelligence of their teacher.

The special dances, Gypsies, Mary Jane, Balloons, Violette, Sweethearts, Dutch Twins, The Venetian, Attria, Pulcinello and Magic Doll, were composed by Louis H. Chalif.

Mrs. Mabel Embree was pianist and musical director.

The party was given under the auspices of the Gardens Mothers' Club and netted about \$100 for the building fund of the Community House. Mrs. Donald G. Clark is president of the club.

### PLANS FOR JULY 4 UNDER WAY

A meeting of the executive committee of the Celebrations Association was held at the Forest Hills Inn on Thursday evening, May 1, 1924, at which further details of the program for the coming July 4 celebration were announced. Mack Davis' Paradise Recording Orchestra of fifteen pieces has been engaged for the dance in Station Square.

The incorporation of the association is now an accomplished fact, and the dissolution of the old organization and the transfer of its assets and liabilities to the new incorporated association are in active progress.



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### WILL YOU HELP?

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THEY are selling soap, which they have made at home; they are holding style shows, plus bazaars, which are called "April Showers"; they inveigle you into buying more vanilla extract than you can use in many years, and they smile and tell you that they have just begun the final campaign. They are taking subscriptions for the *Forest Hills-Kew Gardens Post* on a fifty-fifty basis. Who are they? They are a large number of women of Forest Hills, who have decided that the Community House foundation must be built upon and that this sorely needed building must be completed.

The architect's drawings and plans have been finished in every detail, after much deliberation on the part of representatives of various organizations, and after much work on the part of the architects. The plan for government after the building is completed and for advice in finishing the building calls for an Advisory Committee of 19, 13 of whom represent other organizations and 6 the Church-in-the-Gardens.

The need of the building is great. The large hall is demanded for the big meetings and the assembly room for smaller groups. The growing boys and girls should have the gymnasium and the pool. The young people of Forest Hills attend so many high schools that they do not know each other. The Community House will furnish the common social center.

The Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens has decided to raise \$15,000—it was this organization which contributed \$5,000 to the fund several years ago. The Gardens Mothers' Club is planning a tea dansant to be given at the Inn on May 3. What will the other organizations do for this common need?

### TENNIS AND GOLF

You should avail yourself of the sport facilities of the Forest Hills Association. Two tennis courts and the two-hole practice golf course, also the clock golf course are now ready for use, only by members who have paid dues and the fees for the sports privileges for the current year. If you wish to use these facilities you are required to (1) Join the Forest Hills Association, if not already a member; (2) Pay the annual dues of \$10 plus the fee of \$10 required for use of athletic facilities.

Note that only members of the Association having paid dues and athletic fee will be permitted to use either tennis courts or golf course. Members of the golf and tennis committees will see that this rule is strictly enforced. All users of tennis courts must wear rubber soled shoes without heels and must not use courts when they are still soft after a rain. Children under 20 must not occupy courts to exclusion of adult members.

By special arrangement with Alex Taylor & Co., 22 E. 42nd St., New York, members may purchase all kinds of athletic equipment from said concern at a discount of 20% from regular retail prices upon presentation of an order signed by the chairman of either the golf or tennis committee and payment of cash to cover said order.

HERBERT CHASE, President, Forest Hills Assn.  
R. E. CLINCHY, Chairman, Golf Committee  
G. VON HOFE, Chairman, Tennis Committee

### GARDENS MOTHERS TO MEET AND HAVE PARTY

The regular meeting of the Forest Hills Gardens Mothers' Club will be held Monday afternoon, May 12, 2:30 o'clock, at the Forest Hills Inn, by courtesy of M. Lawrence Meade, manager. The election of officers for next year will take place. Then will follow a bridge and mah-jong party for the benefit of the playground, with Miss Maude Wallace in charge. The tables will be \$4, single tickets \$1.

### THE INN



Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dorins and daughter have returned to the Inn.

Among recent arrivals are Mrs. L. F. Fornes and her mother; Mrs. H. Liebes; Mrs. E. K. Norton, of New York, and Mrs. C. C. Smith, of Portland, Oregon.

Commander and Mrs. H. H. Cooke have arrived from California and are registered at the Inn, while Commander Cooke is stationed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Willson included the former's brother, Dr. A. J. Willson, of Philadelphia, and Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, of Iverbrook, Pa.

L. E. Burrelle, of Yucatan, Mexico, is being welcomed by old friends at the Inn.

George Easton has returned from a trip to Florida, Cuba, and the Canal Zone.

Mrs. Watson Stephenson, of Mennette, Wis., is stopping at the Inn on her way home from North Carolina.

Among those arriving on the Aquitania on Friday were Russell Guipe, from a trip around the world, and Charles Dourning, from a several months' trip to Europe. Guests of the former's parents over the week-end were Miss Betty Ward and Miss Margaret Fuller from Miss Hall's School, Pittsfield, Mass.

Mrs. E. P. Hengerer entertained at a small dinner in the sun parlor on Saturday evening.

E. S. Peck was also a host at a dinner in the sun parlor Saturday evening.

Mrs. A. H. Hopping spent several days recently with her son at the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.

Mrs. W. B. Wood entertained 12 staff members of the Pennsylvania Railroad Women's Aid at a delightful luncheon in the sun parlor recently; it was to celebrate the successful completion of a drive in which the association secured 35,000 new members.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Sussman (Kathleen French), have returned from a trip to Chicago, Kansas City, and other western points.

Arrivals recently from Santo Domingo were Captain and Mrs. Henry G. Sebastian, of the United States Army.

Mrs. Floyd W. Parsons, of the Gardens Apartments, entertained at a delightful luncheon in the sun parlor last Tuesday.

Mrs. W. E. Gilmour, of San Francisco, has arrived at the Inn for an indefinite stay.

Among arrivals at the Inn this past week have been Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Ward, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Cartier, of New York; Mrs. R. G. Armstrong and Miss Frances Boule, of Vandergrift, Pa.; Mrs. Richard E. Burton and daughter, of Norfolk, Va.; R. M. Burley; Mrs. M. Pedar, Houston, Texas, and Miss Ruth Grant, of Oberlin, Ohio.

Miss Ruth Parsons was guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Ward over the Easter holidays.

Mrs. E. L. Allen has as guest Mrs. George C. Anderson, of Brookline, Mass.

Miss Katherine Finch is visiting Miss Estell Johnson over the holidays.

Donald de Matahla spent the past week in Atlantic City.

F. R. Harty has returned from a three-week's trip to North Carolina.

Miss Margaret Pearson arrived Saturday on the Berengaria from a several months' stay abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Van Rensselaer, of Buenos Ayres entertained 9 guests at dinner in the sun parlor on Easter Sunday.

Miss Bliss, who has been living at the Hotel Gotham, New York, for the winter, has returned to the Inn for an indefinite stay.

Miss S. O'Neal, of Boston, is residing at the Inn indefinitely.

Eric Titus, of the "Blossom Time" Company, who has been playing in Atlantic City for the past week, has returned to New York and is making his home at the Inn.

### QUIET WEDDING

A quiet wedding took place at the Church-in-the-Gardens on Saturday afternoon, April 19, at 5 o'clock, when Miss Christobel Mina Gunn, sister of Mrs. G. G. G. Hunter, of Whitson Street, was married to Cyril H. Wakefield, of Jamaica. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. E. Silcox.

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## THEATRE FILLED

### The Choral Club Delighted 900 People With an Exceptionally Fine Program

The Forest Hills Choral Club scored a musical triumph in the concert given at the Forest Hills Theatre on the evening of April 11. The choral selections were given tunefully and with confidence, and showed plainly the training of the club by Bruno Huhn for the last three years. More than 900 appreciative friends and neighbors filled the theatre and inspired the singers to do their best. The men's chorus did their best singing in "Jolly Fellows." Very sweetly and appealingly the women's chorus sang "The Desire." "The Lost Chord," sung by the club with richness and skill, was the best and final number.

Mary Mellish, soprano, of the Metropolitan Company, is a true artist, whose bell-like voice, good in every part of the register, easy and perfect in articulation, captivated the large and approving audience. Generous with encores, sharing the applause with Alice Shaw, the able accompanist, Miss Mellish won the hearts of all who heard her, and we hope she will come to Forest Hills again.

Lewis H. Williamson, tenor, who has a clear, lovely voice, which he uses softly or powerfully, according to the demands of the song, also pleased the audience with his well-selected numbers.

Julia Harden, of Forest Hills, harpist, charming and pleasing, as always, played all of her numbers well, but the prelude to "Lucia" tested her powers, and she was not found lacking.

Albert Brown, organist, did his full share to make the evening memorable.

With thanks to the management of the Inn, which generously furnished the ballroom for an after-concert dance, and with gratitude to the members of the Choral Club for furnishing such high-grade entertainment, the people of Forest Hills were happy and proud on April 11.

## GARDENS PLAYERS ON BILL AT BELASCO THEATRE

On Thursday evening, May 8 at the Belasco Theatre, the Gardens Players of Forest Hills will compete in the Little Theatre Tournament for the Belasco trophy, this coveted prize which signifies in the opinion of competent judges the best amateur dramatic work done on a New York stage. The Gardens Players are presenting "Crabbed Youth and Age" by Lennox Robinson, the author of "The White Headed Boy," with the following cast: Mrs. Frederick Kiendl, Catherine Jones, Elsa Youngs, Denie Claypoole, Melville Greig, Edward Moir and Ordway Tead. Tickets for this performance can be procured from Miss Mary Taylor, 15 Continental Avenue, at prices from \$2.20 to \$5.55. The Kittredge Players of Manhattan and The Playshop of Pelham Manor are the other competing groups on this night. Tickets on sale at the Belasco Theatre after May 1.

In the opinion of some critical members of the Players, who have been watching the rehearsals, the prize will surely come to Forest Hills this year.

## CELEBRATIONS ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETS

The Executive Board of the Gardens Celebrations Association will meet on Thursday evening, May 1, instead of the following Monday. It has been found that the first Monday of each month conflicts with the regular monthly meeting of the American Legion. The meeting will be called at 8 o'clock, 9 Station Square.

## CHORAL CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The Forest Hills Choral Club will hold the annual meeting Tuesday evening, April 29, in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. There will be reports by officers and chairmen of committees and the election of officers.

## CHILDREN DANCE FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE

The annual exhibition of Miss Eleanor Stone Ranlett's dancing classes will be held at the Forest Hills Inn, May 3, 3 p. m., for the benefit of the Community House fund. The tickets will be sold by the members of the Gardens Mothers' Club and the children of the class for \$1 each. After the exhibition there will be general dancing and refreshments sold, the proceeds of which will go to this good cause. M. Lawrence Meade, manager of the Inn, is donating the use of the ballroom.

The children who will take part in the exhibition are the Misses Jeannette, Doris and Barbara Clark, Miss Joanna Miller, Frances Gordon, Ethel M. Wilson, Edwina Wilson, Mary Ellen Plantiss, Dorothy and Betty Sparkes, Georgine Kentner, Mary Rankin, Kathleen Clark, Donrue Leighton, Jane Haggerson, June and Dorothy Kiendl, Ruth Thomson, Kathleen Copp, Roslyn Marsh, Dorothy Gray McTyler, Izora Colton, Patsy Renaud, Eugena Mullen, May Craner, Margaret Pinton and Ruth Barber.

There will be two special numbers of toe dancing by Miss Edith Harris, of New York, and Miss Beatrice Von Bour, of Douglaston.

Miss Ranlett and her pupils are enthusiastic over the opportunity to help in the campaign, and they are confident that a capacity audience will be present.



## UNUSUALLY ATTRACTIVE GROUP

The accompanying cut shows two houses of a group of eight which are to be built around the corner of 51st Street (Continental Avenue) and Pilgrim Street. The houses are to be constructed of stucco and will contain six or seven rooms each with one or two bath rooms. Garages will be built also. The Cord-Meyer Development Co. is the builder.

The architect of the group is William Patterson, 25 Wendover Road. The pen work in this sketch has been done by Mrs. Faith W. Patterson, wife of the architect.

## CIVIC MEETING FOLLOWED BY DANCE

All members of the Forest Hills Association and other residents of Forest Hills are invited and urged to attend a meeting of the association to be held at the Seminole Avenue Club House on Friday evening, May 2, beginning promptly at 8:15. Important and instructive reports on transit matters, train schedules, street improvements, proposed underground light and telephone wire system, sewage system for better surface drainage, proposed park project, and other matters of interest to the association.

Following the meeting there will be an informal dance in the club rooms and porches. Only members of the association are invited to participate in this portion of the program. If you are not a member, now is the time to send a check for dues to the treasurer, Howard Caffey, 161 Seminole Avenue. HERBERT CHASE, President.



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### SAVE THE BIRDS

THE *Brooklyn Eagle*, of March 24, prints the following article, showing how much has been done in Forest Hills in the past to attract the birds to the trees and shrubbery of our beautiful village:

#### Residents Give Aid

Many years ago Forest Hills was inhabited mainly by English sparrows and starlings, but through the efforts of the local bird club, co-operating with the National Association of Audubon Societies, large numbers of migratory song birds were quickly induced to spend the summer there with the result that this community is probably one of the best bird havens on Long Island today. The residents have taken great interest in the work. Feeding stations have been established everywhere. Trees are covered with food, the school children distribute large quantities of grain throughout the year to the residents for the feathered creatures, and bathing fountains have been located on virtually every lawn for the convenience of the birds. And the result has been most satisfactory. Species of birds which never were found in the vicinity before make their appearance now every summer. In addition to these a large number of migratory species have been induced to remain all winter at the place. Most of these live in houses that have been especially constructed for them.

It is perfectly obvious to any intelligent person that only by attracting the birds to our trees and shrubbery and our gardens is it possible to keep them free from the many pests that would destroy our growing things. The birds live on the caterpillars and other foes of plant life and when we become indifferent to these feathered friends we run the risk of losing our most valuable asset in Forest Hills. It is impossible to estimate the money value of our trees and shrubs.

Clean out our bird boxes. Put new ones on our porches and in the trees. Feed the cats red meat and keep them indoors in the early morning and evening hours. Let us do all we can to attract more and more song birds to Forest Hills. We need them not only in a utilitarian way but our souls need their unforgettable songs.

#### APRIL SHOWER—NEW KIND

Mrs. Charles P. Poore is planning a new kind of April shower, which will descend upon Forest Hills Inn on the afternoon and evening of April 25. Being an unusual shower, it will take place indoors, in the ballroom and sun parlor. There will be a fashion show, when 45 Forest Hills models will appear in the latest styles of garments. Mrs. Alden H. Vose is in charge of this department. Silhouettes will be made to order by the artist, Evelyn Enola Rockwell. Mrs. S. W. Eckman is responsible for this booth. Horoscopes and fortunes will be read by Belle Bart and associates, with Mrs. Louis Pedlar in charge. There will be a most attractive booth of gifts, perfumes and fancy articles. House supplies will be sold by Mrs. Gardner Osborn and Mrs. S. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr. A demonstration of home interests will be given by Mrs. W. R. Clymer. Mrs. Horace L. Willson will be responsible for mah-jong and accessories. In the sun parlor Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh will preside over refreshments. An evening program of special interest to the men will be given.

This shower will be given for the benefit of the Community House. Mrs. H. Merrill Jackson and Mrs. Poore are co-chairmen, Mrs. Otto L. Grever is treasurer, and Mrs. Beatrice D'Emo chairman of publicity.

### THE INN



Mrs. Charles Plummer and daughter are making their home at the Inn during the absence of Mr. Plummer in Cuba.

J. M. Johnson and son are at the Inn for a short stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Van Rensselaer and child arrived from Buenos Aires on Monday to spend a few months in the north. Mrs. Van Rensselaer is a sister of Queena Mario, the Metropolitan opera singer.

En route to San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur T. Tracey and son, of London, stopped for a short visit with friends at the Inn.

Recent arrivals include: Mr. and Mrs. Stirling Birmingham, William N. Rover and James Dartt, of Forest Hills; Mrs. Jessie K. Peters, of London; O. Gaffron, of Havana; Miss Jane Lee and Hilda Jackson, of New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Castleman have returned from a winter spent in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. F. L. Bisbee, of Toms River, N. J., joined her daughter, Mrs. George Mason, of Detroit, for a few days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Buttrick had as a week-end guest their daughter, Mrs. P. L. Gile, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Rising entertained a bridge luncheon in the sun parlor on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Meyer entertained at a delightful dinner party in the sun parlor preceding the dance on Saturday evening. The unique table decorations consisted of a Japanese garden and spring flowers, the pool in the center containing live gold fish and the whole lighted by concealed electric lights.

### FINAL DRIVE FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND

The final drive for the funds to complete the much needed Community House has really begun by the work of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens, through whose ways and means committee many ways of raising money have been found. A committee of men composed of Gardner Osborn, chairman, J. F. McTyier and Edwin Bird Wilson will have charge of the general campaign of ways and means. A new building committee, headed by Guyon L. C. Earle, and composed of Dr. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr., S. W. Eckman, Albert Morton Gray and George H. Merrill, will supervise the completion of the building.

Mrs. Henry Hof is chairman of the Women's Guild ways and means committee, with Mrs. Robert Greig, treasurer and Mrs. James J. Finnegan, secretary. Mrs. George H. Merrill has charge of arrangements. The members of the committee are: Mrs. James H. Cassidy, Mrs. Donald G. Clark, Mrs. W. R. Clymer, Mrs. S. W. Eckman, Mrs. Otto L. Grever, Mrs. A. K. Hanks, Mrs. N. F. Holch, Mrs. H. M. Jackson, Mrs. John A. McFarlan, Mrs. Ward J. MacNeal, Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, Mrs. E. H. Mays, Mrs. Charles P. Poore, Dr. Julia Wood Rea, Mrs. Claris Edwin Silcox, Mrs. W. J. Welsh, Jr., Mrs. W. E. Woodard. The Guild has decided to raise \$15,000 as its share in the final drive. This money is to be earned by the members. All other organizations are expected to raise their share toward this final effort by following the example of the Guild.

### EXHIBITION OF SILHOUETTES

Miss Else Hasselriis, the distinguished Danish artist, sister of M. and C. H. W. Hasselriis, of Forest Hills Gardens, is holding an exhibition of her rarely beautiful silhouettes at 21 West 57th Street. The exhibition opened on April 7 and will last until April 19. "In giving the silhouette life, she has discovered a new medium and created a style distinctly original," one critic says. The people of Forest Hills are cordially invited to enjoy this unusual exhibition.

### DEATH OF MRS. KNOCHE

Mrs. Charles W. Knoche, of Forest Hills Gardens and Lake Ronkonkoma, died March 22 at the home of her sister, Mrs. H. J. Taylor, Park Avenue, Baldwin, Long Island. Mrs. Knoche had been in poor health for a year, and six months ago she was operated on at Brentwood Sanitarium. She was the widow of Charles W. Knoche, who met his death a short time ago in an automobile accident on Queens Boulevard. The Knoches formerly lived at 5 Cranford Street.

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## TO COMPLETE COMMUNITY HOUSE

### Committees Are Being Reorganized to Finish Much-Needed Building.

A new start is to be made toward the completion of the Community House and as a step in that direction the various committees connected with the movement are being reorganized. The plan for the organization of committees as adopted in 1921 by the Church-in-the-Gardens contains the following paragraph:

"In order that the proposed Community House shall in the broadest way serve as an institution for the character-building of our children and the religious, educational, charitable, patriotic, and other proper activities of the people of Forest Hills as a whole, the Trustees of the Church are authorized to appoint at once a temporary advisory committee consisting of representatives of the various organizations and the community, to act in an advisory capacity to the building committee in regard to the plans and construction of the Community House; to the ways and means committee in regard to the raising of funds for the building of the Community House; and to the Trustees of the Church in working out a plan for the management of the Community House and the preparation of a tentative program of activities and means of financing the house and the activities when it is ready for use."

The personnel of the committee was organized early in 1921 on the above basis, but, owing to various changes in organization which have taken place since that time and to the expiration of terms of members appointed, it has become necessary to reorganize the committee, and the Trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens have requested each of the following non-religious organizations in the community to nominate a member of the advisory committee: The Gardens Corporation, the Men's Club, the Women's Club, the Gardens Players, the Gardens Mothers' Club, American Legion, and Forest Hills Association, and also each of the other churches in the community: Episcopal, Presbyterian, and the Christian Science Church. Three members are to be selected as representing the community at large by the other members of the committee. The building committee and the committee on ways and means are also being reorganized and it is expected that at an early date definite plans for completing the building will be presented to the community.

## RUGS AND RELIGION

The Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens is most fortunate in having for the next meeting, March 14, A. U. Dilley, the recognized rug authority in America, who will speak on "Rug Weaving in Relation to Religion, or the Interpretation of Rugs." His talk will be profusely illustrated with especially hand-painted lantern slides of extraordinary beauty. Mr. Dilley was chosen to speak on the famous Ballard collection of rugs recently added to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He has lectured at the museums of art in the large cities and before many colleges and clubs.

The Guild urges all members to avail themselves of the opportunity to hear Mr. Dilley; and friends are invited to enjoy this privilege with the members.

## MAKING PLANS FOR JULY FOURTH

The Executive Board of the Gardens Celebrations Association is able to report substantial progress toward the July Fourth celebration. A very satisfactory arrangement has been concluded for directing the activities at Olivia Park, and an affirmative response has been received to a request for the services of an enthusiastic boys' band of 40 pieces.

During the call of a committee at the Forest Hills Inn last week, M. Lawrence Meade, the new manager, expressed his great appreciation of the festivities held Christmas Eve and July Fourth in the Station Square and promised the committee his cordial co-operation. Other committees have their plans well formulated and expect to make some interesting reports in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

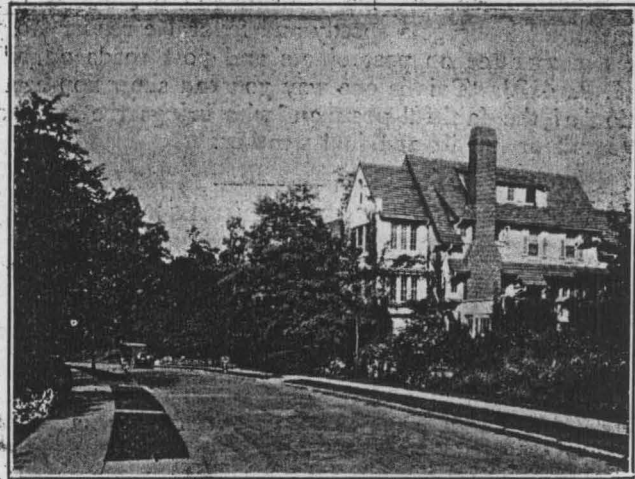
## FIRST-CLASS PARTY GIVEN

The Washington's Birthday dance and entertainment held in the Masonic Temple on Friday night, Feb. 22, proved to be one of the most popular and enjoyable events held in Forest Hills for a long while. Over 200 members of the Forest Hills Association and their guests danced until the small hours of the morning. James McGill, chairman of arrangements, and his indefatigable committee, spared no effort in their decoration of the Temple and the arrangement of the program of events. Herbert Chase, president of the association, welcomed the members and friends on behalf of the officers. The program was formally opened with the singing of the Star-Spangled Banner. A wide variety of favors was given to the guests, some of which added considerably to the orchestration of the night. Col. J. E. McNary, of Kew Gardens, was fortunate enough to hold the lucky number in the lucky number dance.

The association purposes holding a St. Patrick's Day party for the children of the members of the association, in the Club-house, Seminole Avenue.

## SUPERINTENDENT ETTINGER INVITED TO SPEAK

On March 10, in Public School 101, the Gardens Mothers' Club will meet at 3 o'clock. The chairman of the program committee, Mrs. Lyman B. Stowe, has invited Superintendent Ettinger of the New York Public Schools to speak at that meeting and there is a strong prospect that he will come. The club has enjoyed a series of inspirational educational speakers, some who represent new methods in education, some from public and others from private schools and the hope now is to hear the head of the largest school system in the world.



A VIEW ON SHORTHILL ROAD

The Hospitable Home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Dean Speir Is Seen on the Right.

## ALEXANDER WOOLCOTT TO SPEAK

Alexander Woolcott, author, dramatic editor, lecturer, will speak at the meeting of the Women's Club, to be held at the Forest Hills Inn, Monday afternoon, March 3, at 2 o'clock. Mr. Woolcott is not only a speaker of high merit, but is sometimes called America's foremost dramatic authority. His lectures consequently make a strong appeal to all who are interested in plays and the mysteries of life behind the footlights. His subject will be "Behind the Scenes."

The current readings chapter will meet on the afternoon of March 11, 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Samuel McConnell, 78 Greenway Terraces, when Mrs. Donald G. Clark will review Max Beerbohm, H. L. Mencken and other essayists. Mrs. John A. McFarlan will be the assistant hostess. The same chapter will meet on Tuesday afternoon, March 25, 2:30 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. E. C. Ketcham, 65 Greenway Terraces, when Dr. Julia W. Perry will review "Told By An Idiot," by Rose Macaulay. Mrs. Ward J. MacNeal will be assistant hostess.



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## COMMUNITY HOUSE TO BE COMPLETED

Plans Made for Campaign to Complete Fund—  
Community Day May 19.

Lawrence F. Abbott presided over a meeting of Forest Hills residents at the home of John Allen King, Saturday evening, April 28, called to discuss the Forest Hills Community House.

Lyman Beecher Stowe reviewed the origin of the Community House idea and its early history, bringing to this group a refreshed realization of the progress already made.

Thurlock M. Gordon discussed various legal considerations and their bearing upon the details of the Community House plans. His talk was most convincing and gave the answer to a number of questions that had been raised.

Walter D. Teague gave a most delightful word sketch of the Community House, first describing the main lines of the building, and later touching on the details of its various rooms and their uses.

Mr. Abbott crystalized the opinion of the group in an inspiring address upon the future of Forest Hills and the part that the Forest Hills Community House should play in that development.

After full discussion, a motion was unanimously and enthusiastically passed endorsing the building and maintenance plans, and urging the campaign committee to set a date in the near future for raising the remainder of the fund necessary for the completion of the building.

In accordance with the instructions of this meeting, the campaign committee announces that this campaign drive will start the week beginning May 20.

### Forest Hills Community Day.

Saturday afternoon and evening, May 19, has been designated as Forest Hills Community Day.

A program of games has been prepared by Dr. W. F. Saybolt and E. H. Mays, who will be in charge of the afternoon at the play grounds. The American Legion will march in the parade to precede the games. The Boy Scouts and boys eligible for the Forest Hills troop will compose another section of the parade, in charge of Irving Hare. All girls eligible for the Girl Scouts of Forest Hills will march in charge of Mrs. Merrill.

At 2:30, Lyman Beecher Stowe will preside at the laying of the corner stone of the Forest Hills Community House. In view of the fact that Community Day has been dedicated to the completion of the Forest Hills Community House, it is most fitting that this ceremony should be attended en masse by the residents of Forest Hills.

An entertainment has been arranged for the evening of Community Day. The details of this program will be announced later in a special issue of *Community House Comment*, a miniature newspaper to be published during the week of May 13. All members of the community are urged to set aside the day of the 19th for community activities. There will be no solicitation for funds.

### ESSAY CONTEST FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

The publicity committee of the Community House campaign, of which Gardner Osborn is chairman, announces that three prizes of \$5 each will be given to the boys and girls of Forest Hills writing the best essays on the subject "The Ideal Community House for Forest Hills." There will be three groups competing and the author of the best essay in each group will receive the award of \$5. The three groups are (1) High School, (2) grammar grades 7 and 8, and (3) grammar grades 5 and 6. The essays must not be over 400 words. All manuscripts with names, addresses, ages and school grades given, must be sent to Gardner Osborn, 40 Slocum Crescent, by one o'clock on May 16. Mrs. Harold P. Daniels is chairman of the contest and the judges will be W. P. Beazell, F. M. Knowles and Mrs. George Smart.

### CORD MEYER CO. OPENS TWO MORE STREETS

Reliance Place and Kensington Place, at the southeast end of the Cord Meyer Development's property, have been opened and improved from Queens Boulevard to the Kew-Forest line.

## MRS. SPEIR RE-ELECTED

Members of Women's Club Hear Reports of the  
Year's Accomplishments.

Mrs. Louis D. Speir will be president of the Women's Club this coming year. She succeeds herself in the office she has so admirably filled. Others elected at the meeting of the club last Monday are: vice-presidents, Mrs. F. R. Getz, Mrs. Charles W. Johnson and Mrs. Beatrice D'Emo; recording secretary, Mrs. George W. Watson, Jr.; corresponding secretary, Miss Wilhelmina Backus; treasurer, Mrs. William E. Woodard; members of the board, Mrs. A. E. Kretschmer, Mrs. Donald G. Clark, Mrs. A. W. Guy and Mrs. Edward H. Mays.

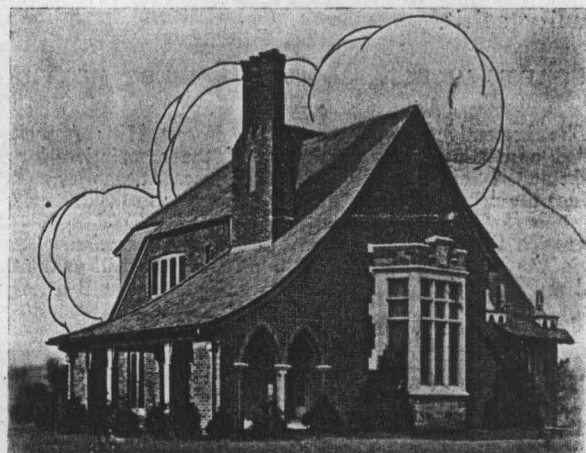
Miss Katherine Sloane Ward, special agent for the National Child Labor Committee, spoke in the interest of the proposed amendment to our national constitution to abolish child labor in this country. Ours is the only country outside the Orient which has not such a law. Last December President Harding endorsed this proposed amendment, which is called the McCormick amendment. Over a million children between the ages of 10 and 14 are employed in cotton fields, beet fields, coal mines, the glass industry, the timber lands and the tenement house industries. After Miss Ward's clear statement of the need of such a law, the club voted \$50 for the work of the National Child Labor Committee.

The officers, chairmen of chapters and committees gave interesting annual reports. Mrs. W. E. Woodard's report showed the treasury in sound condition, with a balance of \$505.85. Mrs. John A. McFarlan's report revealed a membership today of 359, seventy-one new members having joined during the last year. Miss Wilhelmina Backus reported a large number of post cards, letters, etc., sent by her during the year.

Mrs. Edgar D. Sealy reported on moving pictures. Mrs. P. J. Eder reviewed current readings chapter meetings. Mrs. Augustine J. Wilson related philanthropic work and the progress of the scholarship boy. Mrs. Virgil W. Miller described the work of the civics committee. Mrs. E. M. Guyon reported on music. Mrs. George Smart told of the work of the library committee.

Mrs. Speir said she had had a "bully time" as president and reported on the many and delightful phases of the work not brought to light in the other reports.

The Long Island Council of Women's Clubs will meet at Brighton Beach on June 1, when Mrs. Speir and Mrs. Joseph Barrett will be delegates, and Dr. Julia W. Perry and Miss Wilhelmina Backus will be alternates.



STUDIO HOUSE MOST INVITING

The studio house pictured above has recently been completed by the Cord Meyer Development Company, at the corner of Nome Street and Colonial Avenue. The exterior is built of rough red brick with a heavy variegated slate roof. The distinctive feature of the plan is the studio living room, the ceiling line of which follows the roof. An open stairway leads from the living room to a balcony on the second floor.

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## COMMUNITY HOUSE CAMPAIGN

### Vigorous Drive for Funds Follows a Week of Admirable Publicity

A campaign for funds for the completion of the Community House has been conducted for the last week with gratifying success, preceded as it was by a week of admirable publicity. Both the campaign and publicity have been conducted by Gardner Osborn. A daily paper called *Community House Comments* appeared at our doors for a week. On Friday evening, May 18, a dinner of the collectors was held at the West Side Club which was characterized by enthusiasm, when Dr. T. C. Chalmers, Dr. J. A. Corscaden, H. L. Willson, Rev. C. E. Silcox, S. W. Eckman and others spoke.

On Saturday afternoon, May 19, a parade, under the general direction of Mrs. Donald G. Clark, and in which adults and children took part, passed up and down the streets in colorful pageantry. The library group, with Charles Hammond covered by the big book which was made by Jules Gingras, and followed by many children dressed to represent books, was very effective. Mrs. Thomas C. Chalmers was a very pretty nurse in the car driven by Mrs. W. E. Woodard and filled with happy children. Then the best of all was the wonderful model of the new Community House, built last summer by John Almy Tompkins with the assistance of George H. Merrill and Donald G. Clark.

The parade ended at the site of the Community House and there a program was held with the Choral Club leading in the singing. S. W. Eckman presided and Lyman Beecher Stowe spoke, reviewing the history of the Community House. Master Alfred H. Smith, grandson of the woman who gave the land and son of the late Rowland H. Smith, Forest Hills' first citizen, for whom the hall will be named, was the color bearer and presented the Flag for the salute. A hymn written by Mrs. C. E. Silcox for the occasion was sung by the Choral Club.

Sixty-two essays had been presented by school children in the contest for the three best essays on "The Ideal Community House of Forest Hills." Five dollars each was awarded to Jane Maxwell, 229 Greenway South, for the best essay in the High School group; to Helen Weld, 205 Puritan Avenue, representing grades 7 and 8, and to Edward Boettiger, 8 De Koven Street, representing grades 5 and 6. Honorable mention was given to Harford Getz, 60 Olive Place, and Louise Speir, 64 Shorthill, of grades 7 and 8 and to Mildred Green, 19 Amherst Avenue, Jamaica; Patsy Renaud, 16 Puritan Avenue; Elizabeth Mitchell, 81 Puritan Avenue and William Weld, 205 Puritan Avenue, representing grades 5 and 6.

In the evening the whole village made merry at the Masonic Temple. The Legion Jazz Band and the Choral Club each in its own way entertained the people. The Alliance Players of Jersey City, guests of the Gardens Players, presented a very amusing skit called "Punk." Mrs. Beatrice Kieffer, as "Marjorie Daw," sang charmingly Mother Goose melodies with posters by Louis Peilar, Herman Rountree and H. L. Grout to illustrate her songs. W. D. Teague gave a word picture of the new building and Lawrence F. Abbott spoke of the place the Community House will fill in Forest Hills. "No other capital has a suburb like Forest Hills," said he "and the Community House will furnish us with a meeting place, it will add beauty to the village as well as pleasure and it will increase the value of our property." S. W. Eckman also spoke with enthusiasm of the project. Senorita Echevarria sang beautifully and Miss Mercedes Guthrie danced gracefully. The program closed with singing by a male quartette.

### FIFTH APPEAL FOR LIBRARY SITE

On Monday, June 4 a delegation of residents including members of the Library committees of various organizations will appeal for the fifth time this winter to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for \$25,000 with which to buy a library site in Forest Hills. Any resident is welcome to join in this interesting pilgrimage.



SIX-ROOM SEMI-DETACHED HOUSE ON WHITSON STREET—JUST COMPLETED BY THE FOREST HILLS GARDENS HOMES CO.

### Forest Hills Gardens Homes Co. Activities

The Forest Hills Gardens Homes Co. has sold five of the six six-room houses which the company has just completed on Whitson Street, and some of the families are moving in. These houses have been sold to:

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Broden, who are moving to Forest Hills from Brooklyn. Mr. Broden is a broker.

Irryng Hare, who has lived with his parents in the Gardens for a number of years. He is associated with the firm of Mr. A. Harriman & Co., at 39 Broadway.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Sias, who have formerly lived in Manhattan. Mr. Sias is connected with the New York office of the Title Guarantee & Trust Co.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Mallory, who are moving from the Kew-Arlington Apartments, Kew Gardens. Mr. Mallory is an officer of the Dictograph Co., Manhattan.

Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Sterling, who are coming to Forest Hills from Jamaica, L. I. Mr. Sterling's business is in food specialties, at 100 Hudson Street, Manhattan.

The group of houses of which these form a part also contains four seven-room and two eight-room houses, all of which are rapidly approaching completion. The planting and seeding of the front gardens of these houses has now been done, and many residents of the Gardens who have strolled along Whitson Street have expressed their delight at the external appearance of this group. The many excellent features which have been incorporated in these houses and the substantial construction have called forth much favorable comment. Each house has its own heated garage.

The Forest Hills Gardens Homes Co. has started the construction of twelve houses on the south side of Whitson Street, duplicating the group just finished on the north side. Within a short time the company expects to pave Whitson Street along this block.

The company has also started a solid group of nine houses on Ascan Avenue between Ingram and Whitson Streets. These houses will have seven rooms and two baths each, and will be ready for Fall occupancy.

### JOHN MARTIN SPEAKS

After Miss Helen Waldo, associate editor of John Martin's Book had spoken on May 21, to the members of the Mothers' Club of Public School 3, John Martin himself spoke and told that his work today is the direct result of the time which his mother gave him, reading to him when he was a little boy.

Mrs. Sarah Oller, of the Bond and Mortgage Company spoke most enlighteningly on the "Household Budget."

The officers elected for the coming year are: President, Mrs. Thomas Kelly; vice-president, Mrs. J. Elmer Kline; treasurer, Mrs. V. E. Engelbach; recording secretary, Mrs. Carl Boettiger; corresponding secretary, Mrs. James Maggill.



## Great Building Activity in Forest Hills

Ground Broken for Community House for Which Very Attractive Plans Have Been Completed, Many Beautiful and Comfortable Homes in Course of Construction

**B**UILDING is very active in Forest Hills. There will be no need to worry about the unkempt appearance of vacant lots next summer; apparently, like the core of the selfish little boy's apple, "There ain't goin' to be none."

In the Gardens, J. F. Musil has the foundation laid for a large stucco house on Exeter Street near Continental Avenue, Colton & Ayers being the architects. Across the street an addition which is really a second house is being built to the residence of George B. Hanavan. On Groton Street near Continental Avenue, a spacious residence of lovely lines is growing for William E. Woodard, Douglas Fitch, architect. On Continental Avenue and Exeter Street, the Sage Foundation Homes Company is finishing the beautiful marble-stucco house of Nathaniel Wilkes. The same company has also nearly completed a fine house of Colonial design on Greenway South and Groton Street for P. J. Maloney; and is building two groups of three houses each, either side of Middlemay Circle, six houses in all, which will be for sale.

On the southwest corner of Greenway Terrace and Middlemay Circle, the quaintly beautiful home for H. Hunter is nearly ready for occupancy, Grosvenor Atterbury, architect; and on the southwest corner of Greenway North and Ascan Avenue an exquisite gray stucco and field-stone house, designed for John Allen King by Douglas Fitch, forms a delightful companion for the Church-in-the-Gardens.

On the east side of Ascan Avenue near Burns Street, William T. Anderson, Inc., has nearly completed four stucco houses, two detached, two semi-detached, which are for sale; and across the avenue, on the corner of Ascan and Burns the same builder is having the cellar excavated for a four-story apartment house, which is promised to be of most attractive design.

Around the corner, on a plot bounded by Slocum Crescent, Burns Street and Middlemay Circle, Guyon L. C. Earle, owner of the Tennis Place and Gardens Apartments, is erecting nine three-story dwellings which will be unique, comfortable and pleasing.

On the northwest corner of Ascan Avenue and Russell Place, L. Gallucci is building for his own occupancy a tapestry brick house, Charles M. Lobejayer being the architect; and diagonally across on Ascan Avenue and Winter Street, William Woodin & Son have nearly finished a commodious

home for H. B. Evans. The Woodins are also building a residence for George A. Powell on Greenway South near Puritan Avenue, and have recently completed a two-family house for Dr. Eugene Christian, on the southwest corner of Winter and Summer Streets.

On the northeast corner of Ascan Avenue and Greenway South, a very handsome residence is almost completed for the occupancy of Mrs. Louise Sammis, William S. Moore, architect; and next to it, on Ascan Avenue, a house is being built for William Plate.

For Philip A. Armour a fine house is going up on the southeast corner of Greenway North and Puritan Avenue, John J. Hutchins, architect; and nearby on Seasingood Road and Summer Street a quaint dwelling is being built by E. Englehardt, who is his own architect. Further along on Greenway North and Wendover Road, a double house, combining comfort and good style, is almost ready for E. Gilman, L. Faganni being the architect. On Wendover Road, Curtis Kloetzer has the foundation laid and retaining wall of field stone ready for the house to be built in the spring.

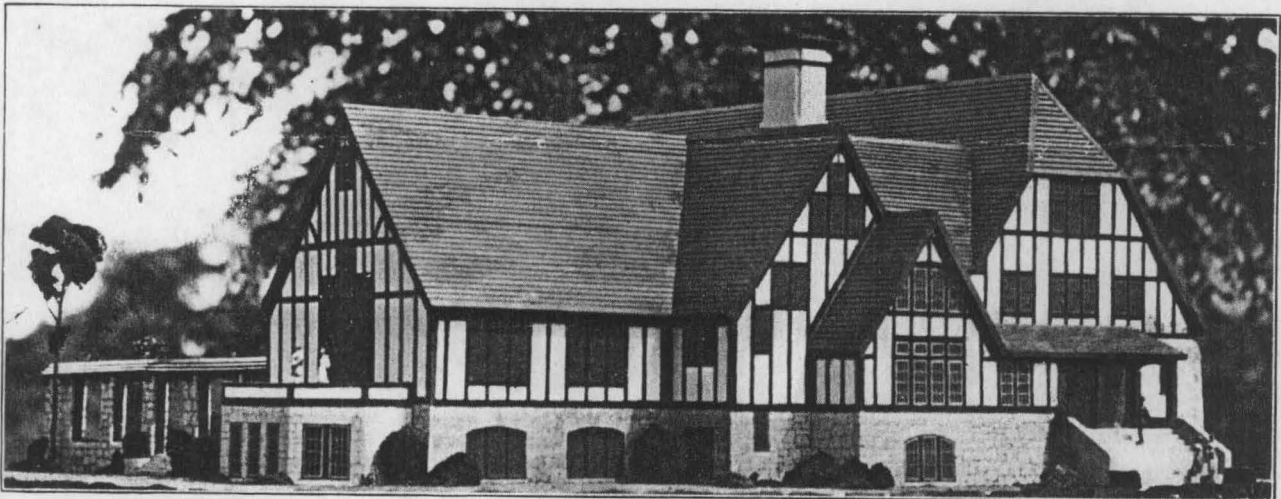
On Markwood Road and Rockrose Place, in keeping with the handsome residences of that locality, George H. Wickes is having erected a spacious home, Erik Hadgaard & Burnham are the architects. At Greenway South and Shorthill Road, a very attractive house is well under way for G. F. Batcheller, the Sage Foundation Homes Company being architect and builder.

The Forest Hills Gardens Home Company, of which S. W. Eckman is president, has made fine progress on Whitson Street, with a group of twelve houses approaching completion on the north side, the foundations almost ready for a similar group on the south side, and the cellar excavations made for nine houses on Ascan Avenue between Ingram and Whitson Streets.

In the Cord Meyer Development, a handsome brick house has been recently completed on Chittenden Street for Mrs. J. Casey, Herman Spiker, architect. On Fife Street, east of Seminole Avenue, Zeron Brothers, architects and builders, have under construction two handsome detached residences which are for sale.

L. W. Baeuchle expects to move before long into his at-

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Model of the Community House

Made after the Plans of Grosvenor Atterbury, by John Almy Tompkins and George H. Merrill

the certificate of incorporation include the names of your committee as follows:

Judge John R. Davies  
George B. Hanavan  
Lawrence F. Abbott  
Edgar D. Sealy  
Dr. William A. Hume  
Lyman B. Stowe  
Judge George H. Boyce  
Louis Dean Speir

And, as much of the work of the new organization can be done better by women than by men, that the three additional directors be, we suggest:

Mrs. Donald G. Clark  
Mrs. Augustine J. Wilson  
Mrs. Edward H. Mays

The certificate of incorporation must be approved by a Justice of the Supreme Court and filed with the Secretary of State and County Clerk. The Secretary of State often raises objections to the form of incorporation certificates sent to him for filing. To obviate this difficulty we have submitted the form of the certificate to the Secretary of State in advance and it has his approval as now submitted, including the name, "Gardens Corporation."

### 2. The By-Laws

These are our own rules which we as members will be able to change at any time.

Besides providing for routine things like holding of meetings, they contain these principal provisions:

(a) The membership is confined to owners of land in the Gardens; but land held by either husband or wife will qualify both, and together will they have one vote. Land held by corporations can qualify one of its officers as a member to represent it.

(b) The annual dues are fixed at the same amount as the annual maintenance charge, except that something extra shall be paid by the owners of the Inn and the present Gardens Apartments, and we have committed that matter to the Board of Directors.

So if, as we expect, and as is essential to the success of the undertaking, substantially all property owners join as members, the new membership corporation will have an enlarged maintenance fund of about \$20,000, as compared to the insufficient \$10,000 fund of the past.

### 3. The Applications for Membership

We have had these printed and will distribute them at this meeting. If our plans are approved, we ask all those who approve to sign and hand in these applications at this meeting. The membership dues will then be payable in January with the maintenance charges. Signing commits the signer only to the payment of these dues, while he continues a member. He can resign at any time.

### 4. The Assignment of Rights and Powers from the Sage Foundation Homes Company to the Gardens Corporation.

We drew a form in accordance with the instructions of the mass meeting of October 24 and submitted it to the Sage Foundation Homes Company on October 30. Mr. Demarest was away for several weeks, and consequent delay followed.

After he got back, we were told that the form was unsatisfactory and would not be signed. Finally on November 29 we received from Mr. De Forest's office a form which the Sage Foundation Homes Company and the Russell Sage Foundation are ready to sign. We have gone over this form with great care and have since agreed with the other side upon several amendments. The committee as enlarged is now unanimous in recommending that this assignment as amended by your committee be accepted. We summarize its principal provisions as follows:

(a) It assigns to our new membership corporation the future administration of the maintenance fund, free from past debt.

(b) It assigns to us all rights over restrictions, architectural or otherwise, over about 90% of the land in the Gardens, including all powers of modification over that 90%.

(c) It conveys to us the streets and parks and sewer system.

(d) It does not assign to us control of the restrictions over the other 10% of the land, viz.: The Eckman tract, the Union Turnpike Frontage, Block 12, and the land between Burns Street and the railroad. But it takes from us no rights we now have.

(e) It preserves to individual property owners or groups of property owners all their present rights to apply for injunctions against apartment houses or other things which may be in violation of the restrictions.

We have these papers open to inspection by every one at this meeting. They seem to us too long and technical to read aloud in their entirety at the meeting, but the members of the committee will be glad to answer any questions about them, and to read any parts that those present wish read.

Concretely we recommend:

(a) The incorporation of Gardens Corporation;

(b) The adoption by it when formed of the by-laws submitted;

(c) The acceptance by it when formed of all qualified property owners who apply, as members.

(d) The acceptance by Gardens Corporation when formed of the assignment of rights from the Sage Foundation Homes Company and the Russell Sage Foundation.

To this end we submit the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that this meeting approves the report of the committee and its recommendations, and instructs the committee to take the necessary legal steps to carry those recommendations into effect.

Dated; Forest Hills, December 4th, 1922.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN R. DAVIES,  
GEORGE B. HANAVAN,  
LAWRENCE F. ABBOTT,  
EDGAR D. SEALY,  
WM. A. HUME,  
LYMAN BEECHER STOWE,  
GEORGE H. BOYCE,  
LOUIS DEAN SPEIR,

Committee.

## Great Building Activity in Forest Hills

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tractive brick-and-stucco home on Harvest Street between Seminole and Colonial Avenues, M. Winters, architect. On Jewel Street, between 51st Street and Colonial Avenue, the Cord Meyer Development Company is building two handsome houses for sale, and in the same locality Mrs. Catherine Sullivan is having a pleasing home built.

On Ibis and Colonial Avenues, Curtis Woodruff is erecting a very handsome residence for H. Kleefeld, and on Livingston Street east of Seminole Avenue, the Cord Meyer Company is building an attractive house of brick for A. S. Coppel. The same company is also building for sale a stucco house on Meteor Street between 50 and 51 Streets, and another on the northeast corner of Nome Street and Seminole Avenue. On Occident Street, this same company is constructing between 51 Street and Colonial Avenue two brick and one frame house for sale, and in the same locality an English stucco house for Carl H. Behre.

### BUILDING OF THE COMMUNITY HOUSE STARTED

Excavating for the Community House, corner of Greenway North and Borage Place, has begun! The work of removing the top soil was started on Dec 4, and the work has been progressing all week.

Very attractive and suitable plans have been drawn by Grosvenor Atterbury. There will be a large assembly room with a stage and this room will also be a gymnasium. The plans show a swimming pool with men's and women's lockers nearby. A smaller assembly room will furnish a meeting place for many meetings that do not need the larger room. Adjoining this smaller room is a most delightful sun room. There will be an adequate kitchen. A number of class rooms will be used on Sunday by the Church-in-the-Gardens in connection with the work in religious education and these same rooms will furnish various clubs of boys and girls with meeting places during the week.



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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 9 Station Square, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

## THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

THE Community House Fair was a good thing for several reasons. The large amount of money turned into the fund because of the fair is a matter of rejoicing, but that is not the most important reason. As the crowds elbowed their way around the sales office to the attractive booths with their inviting display, more than one thinking, leading citizen of Forest Hills said: "Well, this proves that we need a Community House." No one who had even a small part in the work or play of the fair could question the need of the general meeting place for every one in the town. The women are grateful to the Homes Company for the use of the building, which was the only available place in town, but it proved itself inadequate.

The fair did more than raise money and prove a physical need. "It demonstrated that our hopes of a united community interest in the Community House are not misplaced. With the right spirit and leadership it can be done." These are the words of Dr. David Latshaw. The women of all religious denominations worked with the members of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens to make it a success. One had a chance to buy jellies made by a Methodist member of the Church-in-the-Gardens and sold by a Presbyterian member of the same organization. A Baptist member of the Church-in-the-Gardens donated bread and rolls to the Catholic booth. The canned goods sold by the St. Luke's members and the beautiful etchings, of the gifted Lester G. Hornby, sold by the Reader of the Christian Science Church, were bought by people of all faiths. And the great variety of things sold at 27 booths by the members of the Church-in-the-Gardens, representing many denominations and bought by everybody, proves beyond a doubt that *we can work together*.

This Community House project is attracting attention all over the country as a forward movement in community life. The insert in this number of the BULLETIN gives valuable information to all who are interested in this splendid undertaking. It will succeed.

### MRS. REBECCA S. ELLINWOOD

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Batcheller, 160 Greenway North, Mrs. Rebecca Sibley Flint Ellinwood died Nov. 8, 1920, after a lingering illness. The services were held on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 11, with Dr. Robert J. Kent former pastor and Dr. David Latshaw pastor of the Church-in-the-Gardens, in charge. The hymns were rendered by a male quartette. The burial took place at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Ellinwood traced her ancestry back to Hon. Thomas Flint, who settled in Concord, Mass., in 1638. The old records show that "he possessed wealth, talents and a Christian character." Mrs. Ellinwood was born in Athol,

Mass., Sept. 26, 1834, and she was the widow of George B. Ellinwood. She has made her home with the Batchellers for a number of years and moved to the Gardens with them over three years ago, when she joined the Church-in-the-Gardens. She was much interested in genealogy, and at the same time was a student of current events and spent considerable time in writing to men of prominence politically, who in turn appreciated her letters and wrote to her. Among others the late Theodore Roosevelt wrote to her.

## MEN'S CLUB

Program Committee and President Abbott Make Plans For the Year.

The Men's Club will meet on some Monday night of each month during the year, from November to May. On Nov. 15, at the home of Lawrence F. Abbott, 194 Greenway South, at 8 o'clock, Frederick K. Seward, Whitson Street, will speak on South America. B. S. Van Rensselaer, a resident of Rio de Janeiro and a law partner of Mr. Seward, will also speak. These gentlemen both belong to a firm of international lawyers and the evening will be a profitable one for the Men's Club.

Laurence La Tourette Griggs, an officer of the Aero Club, and a man well versed in aviation, will speak on the subject, "The Development of Aviation in American Industrial Life," at the home of Henry W. Hirschberg, 108 Greenway North, on Monday evening, Dec. 20. "How Your News Gets to You," will be the subject of the talk which William P. Beazell of the New York World, and a resident of the Gardens, will give before the same club on Monday evening, Jan. 31. The place will be announced later. Frederic W. Goudy, the great type designer, also of the Gardens, will speak on Monday evening, Feb. 21 in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, on the subject, "How the World Learned its A B C's" using lantern slides to illustrate his story. On March 21 and April 18 the club will meet, subjects and places to be announced later. May 16 is designated as "Ladies' Night," and the meeting will take place in the Church-in-the-Gardens. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Rogers will give groups of songs and recitations which they gave during the war to the United States soldiers in France.

## PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

An enthusiastic meeting of the Executive Board of the Forest Hills Gardens Celebrations Association was held at the Sales Office on Monday evening, Nov. 8. Chairmen for the special committees to be in charge of the Christmas Eve celebration were appointed. That celebration consists of a pageant, which passes up and down the streets of the village, and a chorus of men's voices singing carols. There is Santa Claus, too, who has gifts for all the children in the town who believe in good old St. Nicholas. Then a finale takes place on Station Square where the women's voices blend with the men in singing the beautiful Christmas songs.

Mrs. Charles H. Scammell will be in charge of the music; the costumes and mechanics will be cared for by Louis P. McGahie; the toys will be selected by Mrs. George A. Douglass and Henry W. Hirschberg; the finale will be planned by Mrs. Scammell, Arthur H. Flint, Francis H. J. Paul and Dr. Ralph W. Waddell. The Grand Marshal of the pageant will be John M. McMillin. Mr. Hirschberg is treasurer of the organization and will head the finance committee. The general chairman of the whole celebration is Dr. Waddell.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be held at the same place on the evening of Nov. 29.

## THE GARDENS PLAYERS

The Gardens Players announce their first subscription performance of the Season 1920-21, Nov. 22 and Nov. 23 at the Kew Gardens Country Club at 8:30 P. M. Four one act plays will be presented. A distinctive feature of this bill is that The Players are giving a premier performance of "The Storm" by John Drinkwater. The other plays are "Fifty-fifty" "Where but in America" and "The Wonder Hat" and the casts include Bertha Mandell Lolita Cordon Hildegard Diechmann, Maids Birmingham, Beth Cason, Marjorie Wilson Helen Smith, Ruth Swazey Charlotte Packard Harvey Warren, Crisnia Bebb Erik Hunker, Edward Swazey, Irving Hare, Walter Claynoole James S. Cassell. Tickets at the Inn and Chemist Shop.

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## FOREST HILLS IN ELECTION RETURNS

Forest Hills went early to the polls on the historical election day of 1920 and contributed its share to the country's overwhelming support of the Republican candidates. It is encouraging to note that even in the sweep many Forest Hills voters displayed their political independence by voting for such candidates as Judges Scudder and Humphrey, and others who spoke at the open political night of the Community Council.

The totals for the Fifty-second and Fifty-third Election Districts (Forest Hills) of the Sixth Assembly District were as follows:

President and Vice-President—Harding and Coolidge 726; Cox and Roosevelt, 187.  
 Governor—Miller, 508; Smith, 400.  
 Lieutenant-Governor—Woods, 564; Walker, 299.  
 United States Senator—Wadsworth, 595; Walker, 261.  
 Justices of the Supreme Court—Republicans, Aspinwall, 580; Jaycox, 537; Dike, 551; Strong, 489; MacCrate, 496; Democrats, Garvin, 272; Scudder, 436; Druhan, 190; McMahon, 211; Humphrey, 403.  
 Secretary of State—J. J. Lyons (Rep.), 604; Mrs. Mills, (Dem.), 245.  
 Congress, Second Congressional District—Hantusch, (Rep.), 580; Kindred (Dem), 263.  
 Sheriff—Wagner (Rep.), 600; Flanagan (Dem), 260.  
 District Attorney—Wallace (Rep.), 522; Gresser (Dem.), 200.  
 State Senator, Second Senatorial District—Karle (Rep.), 622; Berger (Dem.), 237.  
 Assemblyman—Baum (Rep.), 337; Locke (Dem.), 288.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boyd McKee, of 49 Summer Street, announce the arrival of a baby girl, Lenore L. McKee, Friday, Nov. 5, 1920.

C. C. Foster, of 36 Slocum Crescent, has rented his house to Charles H. Meigs, and moved to New York for the winter, taking an apartment at 305 West End Avenue, corner of West Seventy-fourth Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Tracey Warren, 73 Greenway North, announce the birth of a son, Richard Bronson Warren, on Oct. 22.

Homer Croy, Standish Road, has been asked to write the chapter on motion pictures for the new edition of Encyclopaedia Britannica.

This afternoon Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, 68 Greenway North, will give a tea for Mrs. Alden H. Vose and Mrs. Harry Pushae Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Vose and family are living in the Rowland H. Smith house, which they recently purchased from Mrs. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Williams and daughter are making their home at the Inn.

Recently Mrs. George Smart and Mrs. George C. LeBlanc gave a program before the 360 members of the Leonia Women's Club. Mrs. Smart gave her impersonation of Abigail Adams and Mrs. Le Blanc gave an organ recital.

## BREWER—RIDPATH

Mr. and Mrs. John Brewer announce the marriage of their daughter, Mabel, to James W. Ridpath, at Warsaw, Poland, Oct. 25. Mr. and Mrs. Ridpath expect to be at the Inn for a while before leaving for their home in California. Mrs. Ridpath was a popular kindergartner here before doing reconstruction work for the American Friends' Service Committee in France. For a number of months she has been working for the same committee in Poland.

## MOTHERS' CLUB

The regular monthly meeting of the Mothers' Club will be held on Monday afternoon, Nov. 15, at 3 o'clock, at public school 101.

Members of the club, under the direction of Mrs. Charles B. Nelcamp, have been making a silk United States Flag Wednesday and Thursday of this week at the home of Mrs. George J. Simons. The Flag will be presented to the new school building by the Mothers' Club.

The editor of the BULLETIN knows of a very needy and deserving case where an invalid's chair would be a most acceptable gift. If any one knows of such a chair or is willing to give some money towards such a purpose, please tell the clerk of the Inn.

## THE INN



The most interesting episode in the social life of the Inn for sometime was the immensely successful dance given on Halloween for the benefit of the Big Sisters of Queensborough. Not only was the affair a financial success, but everyone agreed that never had there been so much real fun at any previous party nor had they seen the Inn more beautifully decorated. Pumpkins and corn husks were everywhere, while each light was shaded with Halloween

decorations—spooky skeletons, cats and witches. Mrs. Katherine P. Collins was a most successful "Witch" and gave much assistance in the collection of tickets at the entrance gate to the "barn;" Mrs. Murray Brown took charge of the refreshments, from which a goodly sum was realized thanks to the kind donations of many ladies of the Gardens. Over three hundred dollars was cleared and handed over to the Big Sisters, who have most thoroughly expressed their appreciation for the effort in their behalf.

Mrs. W. F. Gray and Miss Agnes have returned from their trip to Maine and anticipate spending the winter at the Inn, having disposed of their home on the Greenway for this season.

Mrs. James R. Harrar, wife of Dr. Harrar of the McAlpin Hotel, and her two children, are making the Inn their home for the winter season, Dr. Harrar spending as much time with his family as his New York practice will allow.

Miss Jane Davenport of New York has arrived at the Inn to join her friend, Miss Jeannette Ransom.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Jackson of Detroit have returned to the Inn for the winter season, much to the pleasure of their many Inn friends. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are the parents of Mrs. H. H. Robinson of the Gardens.

Mrs. James Hitchcock was heartily welcomed at the Inn upon her return from England recently, she will be joined by Mr. Hitchcock about the middle of December.

Miss Katherine H. Beeson and Miss Martha Brown of the Ossining School, were the guests of Miss Sally Pierce over the last week-end.

W. J. Stout of the Inn recently returned from a month's hunting trip in Maine.

Miss I. M. Shaw of New York has recently arrived from Stockbridge Mass., to join her sister Mrs. Herrick who, with her daughter Miss Claire Herrick, has been a guest of the Inn for sometime.

Mrs. L. W. Renfrew of the Inn entertained a delightful party of ladies from Brooklyn, who comprise an auction bridge club of which Mrs. Renfrew has been a member for some years, on Friday afternoon last. Luncheon was served in the loggia of the dining room followed by cards in the sun parlor.

## THE PLAYGROUND

After a month of intense activity and life, the playground was closed on Nov. 5. The successful and popular leader of the play was Miss Elizabeth Hughes. There was an attendance of over 2,500 for the month, or an average daily of 100. The largest number in attendance for one day was 200, and the lowest was 50.

Mrs. George A. Douglass, chairman of the playground work for the Mothers' Club, mailed a letter appealing for financial help for the playground to 473 residents of the Gardens. The letter contained a stamped, addressed envelope for reply. Receipts have come from seventy families. The children need and want the playground; the mothers use it as a nursery. Why is there not a more general response?

More money now would insure a winter skating rink, free for the children; it would guarantee the spring opening of the playground. This good cause needs the help of every one who appreciates organized play for boys and girls.

## FIRST MEETING OF MASONS IN NEW BUILDING.

The Forest Hills Lodge of Masons will hold the first meeting in the basement of the new building (which is in the process of erection), at 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening, Nov. 16. All Masons of Forest Hills whether members of this Lodge or not, are urged to attend this important and interesting ceremony.



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### THE COMMUNITY FAMILY

WITH the blue sky above our heads, in the "sweet, calm October sunshine," the community of Forest Hills unveiled the beautiful monument, an everlasting tribute to the soldiers and sailors of our town. We listened to the inspiring words of a great soldier and rededicated our lives to ideals and to service. The occasion was made all the more lovely by the Indian summer weather which prevailed.

To some of us who had the pleasure of meeting Major General Summerall, we were not only impressed by the military man of training and fame but as much by the gracious, kindly gentleman, who is as tender as a woman and as brave as a lion. He told us fascinating stories of his experiences in France, stories of pathos and valor. He was intensely interested in our community and several times said to the president of the Community Council, "I congratulate you on your happy community family."

After all the community is a family. Here are the old, the middle-aged and the young. Here are the weak and the strong. Some have many talents, some are not so gifted. But it is one large family, just the same. William Morris, the English poet and artist of the last part of the last century, wrote a wonderful and long poem, picturing the ideal community, which he calls "The Earthly Paradise." That is a good way to look at our community. The occasions, which call us together on the Green, are to be cherished. Family life, whether meaning the group of families in the community or the individual family life, is a splendid thing in this day to emphasize. Whatever impresses or encourages home life is something to cherish. The family which finds the work, study and recreation of the individual members, of mutual interest to all, is always a happy family and an exemplary one. On the day when the community families came together on the Green to honor our heroes and to think of our common and beloved country, a great and kindly soldier compared our community to a happy family. Forgetting the differences in creeds, politics and geography, let us come together *often* in the mutual allegiance to the ideals of our nation.

### MRS. JOHN ORTGIES

Eliza Somerville Ortgies, widow of the late John Ortgies, died at her home, 346 Burns Street, on Sept. 29 after an illness of many weeks. For a few weeks before her death her health had been much improved, so that the sudden turn for the worse a few hours before the end was a shock. She was almost 84 years old. The services were held at the residence and were conducted by Dr. Robert J. Kent. Interment was held at Greenwood cemetery.

Mrs. Ortgies' husband, John Ortgies, was a dealer in fine art treasures in this country, famous in the trade for fifty years. Since his death she has made her home with her daughter Miss Charlotte, who and the sons, Dr. W. S. Ortgies Continental Avenue, and James Ortgies of Walden, New York, survive her. Mrs. Ortgies was a member of the Church-in-the-Gardens. She was a real gentlewoman, of the old school, whose life was a benediction.

### "POMANDER WALK" A DELIGHT TO THE AUDIENCES

Nothing in the Amateur Way Ever Given Here With the Charm of This Quaint Play—The Gardens Players Deserve and Receive Great Praise

In spite of the rain which interfered with some of the plans of the Gardens Players in presenting "Pomander Walk," and notwithstanding the chill of the early October evenings when the play was given, the local artists completely outclassed their former programs. During many years of interest in amateur theatricals, since college days, the writer has never seen anything which compared with "Pomander Walk" as given on Burns Street on Oct. 1, 2, 4 and 5, in finish of detail, in artistic effect, in charm and in the perfection of the whole cast. The play itself is quaint and wholesome and the production has made a most pleasing impression on the entire community. If there is a man, woman or child who was not present that person must have heard from neighbors that all absent missed an evening of perfect delight.

The natural setting of real houses and a real tree, made clear by an adequate lighting arrangement, the sail peeping above the wall and the realistic fish pulled out of the water by the Eyesore, made the Burns Street group a literal "Pomander Walk." It will never be called anything else. The enunciation of the actors was clear and distinct. The costuming, especially of the ladies, was charming, and made a lovely picture. It would be a pleasure to call attention to each member of the cast but one deserves no more praise than another; all were perfectly fitted to their parts. To Miss Bertha Mandell great credit is due, for she staged the production and trained the actors and actresses.

The Gardens Players deserve the reputation of being one of the three or four leading groups of amateur players in the country and this is proven by the fact that professional actors and critics who viewed the performance of "Pomander Walk" refused to grant the members of the cast the leeway usually given in judging amateurs. The performance, when judged by professional standards, was most acceptable to the critics.

The village of Forest Hills is proud of the Gardens Players.  
THE PLAYERS' NEIGHBOR.

### SCENE MODEL EXHIBIT

On the program as outlined for the season's activities the Gardens Players plan to have a scene model exhibit. All members of the Players who are interested in the scene painters' art are invited to prepare a scene model for this exhibit. If anyone is interested in this work but does not feel that he can prepare a model alone, please communicate with the secretary, Miss Maude Marren, 51 Burns Street, who will connect him with someone who either wants or will give assistance in this work.

The exhibit is scheduled for the first week in December, but notice of it is given at this time to allow plenty of time for the preparation of the models. Anyone who plans to exhibit a model should advise the secretary as soon as possible so that the proper arrangements may be made for the placing and the lighting of his exhibit.

### PLAYGROUND REOPENED

The playground committees of the Community Council and the Mothers' Club reopened the playgrounds near public school 101 on Oct. 9 and they will continue to be open until Nov. 5. As an instructor, Miss Elizabeth Hughes has been engaged. The playground is open and Miss Hughes is there from 3 to 6 P. M. on weekdays and from 9 A. M. to 12 M. and 1 to 6 P. M. on Saturdays.

The committees hope to have the support of the people of the community in this undertaking and will be glad to make the playground a permanent institution if the residents of Forest Hills back the project financially.



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## MONUMENT UNVEILED

**Impressive Ceremony Marks the Patriotic Occasion in Ideal Weather.**

**Inspiring Address By Major General Summerall Will Long Be Remembered—  
The Whole Village Attends**

"The hospitality and kindness of the people of Forest Hills to the soldiers at Camp Mills and at Garden City was well known and appreciated by the army men," said Major General Charles P. Summerall, U. S. A., when he spoke at the unveiling of the monument to the soldiers and sailors on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 10. He paid a glowing tribute to the bravery of the United States soldiers who survived the war and then he recalled with gratitude the unselfish service of those who were killed and wounded. "The war is not over," he said, "and will never be over for the families of the dead and wounded."

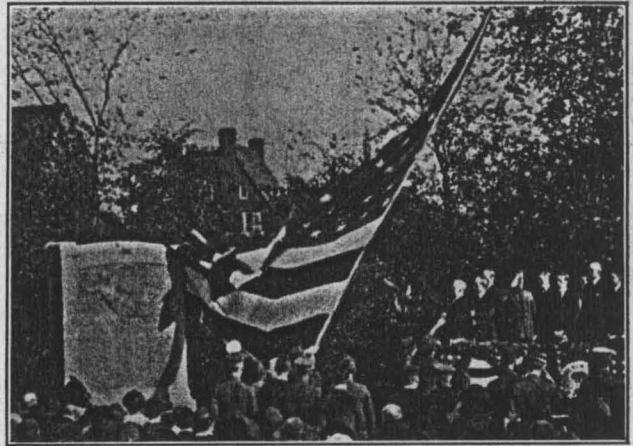
"A nation is great," he continued, "not from wealth, or territory, or cities, or educational institutions, important as those things are, but true greatness lies in the ideals and in the things of the spirit. People give expression to their ideals in monuments, when they remember the achievements of their illustrious soldiers. You have done well to record in bronze the names of the citizens who have done service. The young and middle aged and old will come here for inspiration. The spirit of patriotism will always live here. From this monument you will learn the nobility of service of action. Fulfillment of all aspiration comes from high patriotism."

"Patriotism and religion, or whatever your philosophy of living, are one! Let every day be purposeful and then the people of this land will never be found wanting," were the closing words of a most inspiring address.

After the singing of "America" and a prayer, of rededication of the lives of the people, by the Rev. David Latshaw, D. D., pastor of the Church-in-the-Gardens, Lyman Beecher Stowe, the chairman of the day, explained how the monument came to be. The president of the Community Council (then called the Taxpayers' Association), appointed Mr. Stowe chairman of a committee of forty for the welcome home of the soldiers and sailors. One division of the committee helped the returning men to find employment and John Allen King was the chairman. Another division decorated the station platform with flags and welcome-home signs, so that all soldiers who passed through Forest Hills might be cheered. Of this division Walter D. Teague was chairman. Another division was made responsible for the enduring monument of bronze. Vincent E. Englebach was first chairman and then Walter D. Teague. By majority vote the Green near the Flag Pole was chosen for the site. Adolph A. Weinman, the sculptor, who designed the new dime and half dollar piece and the service button, was selected to design the monument. Mr. Weinman, a resident of the Gardens, refused all remuneration for his services. The total cost, including material and the workmanship of Mr. Weinman's assistants, has been \$5,000. There is a small deficit and any one who has not contributed is invited to do so by sending a check to the treasurer, F. Clark Thompson, Winter Street.

The monument of bronze and granite symbolizes "The call to service over seas," and contains the names of 102 men. The Flag veiled the monument so that the unveiling and the Flag raising, conducted by the Forest Hills Post of the American Legion, under Lieutenant Harvey T. Warren, the president, were one and the same impressive ceremony. After the unveiling, the chairman introduced Major General Summerall, the military expert, teacher and gallant fighter, who commanded the First Division in France and was in every important engagement "over there." His record in the Spanish-American war, Philippine campaign

## "YOUR FLAG AND MY FLAG"



## THE MONUMENT ON THE GREEN

**Unveiling the Monument and Raising the Flag.  
Conducted by Forest Hills Post,  
American Legion—**

and Boxer uprising was a brilliant one. In a rich deep voice he delivered the address, extracts of which are given at the beginning of this article.

Service medals were bestowed on a number of the men by General Summerall, and then the exercises closed with the singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

## COMMUNITY HOUSE FAIR

**Ladies are Working to Make a \$2,000 Donation—Many are Helping.**

So much assistance is being given, by residents of the village of all denominations, to the fair, which the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens is planning to give in the sales office Nov. 3 and 4, and also from the fact that the proceeds are to go to the Community House that the ladies have decided to name it Community House Fair instead of Alphabetical Fair as heretofore advertised. The decorations of the booths will be most attractive and there will be many features to interest young, middle aged and old. The ladies are hoping to be able to make a donation of \$2,000 to the Community House after this fair, so that all are urged to help. Send donations to Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, 14 Greenway Terrace, who is the general chairman.

## FOREST HILLS REPUBLICAN CLUB

On Wednesday Oct. 20, 8 P. M. there will be a big Republican rally in Station Square. All residents are urged to attend and hear Senator James W. Wadsworth, Jr., and Francis M. Hugo, who will address the meeting.

As announced in the BULLETIN of Sept. 18, the following officers of the Republican Club were elected at a meeting held on Sept. 15: President, S. W. Eckman; vice-presidents J. J. Pershing, Mrs. Augustine J. Wilson, E. J. Dowse; secretary, M. J. Springsteen, and treasurer, John M. McMillin. At a later meeting the constitution and by-laws were adopted and the above officers were chosen for the permanent organization to serve until the end of the year.



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## COMMUNITY HOUSE FAIR

### All Women of the Town Helping in This Big Undertaking

It is Hoped to Make \$2,000 for this Splendid Project from the Many Attractive Booths—Fair to be Held at Sales Office.

All over the town in prominent places can be seen the posters announcing the Community House Fair, which will take place, afternoon and evening, Nov. 2, 3 and possibly Nov. 4, at the Sales Office. This will be one of the most delightful affairs ever given here. The decorations are to be unique and attractive. The Sales Office will be completely made over, so that even the salesmen of the Homes Company will not recognize it. Besides the beauty of the place, there will be a very great variety of things for sale because there will be 30 booths. When it is remembered that a number of women have been working on each booth, it is plain to see how many Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, the general chairman, has commandeered into service.

#### Every One Helping

While the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens is responsible for the affair and Mrs. Scammell is chairman of the ways and means committee of the Guild, still, because the object to which the money will go is the Community House, almost every woman in town has worked to make the undertaking a success. Mrs. Anna C. Boyd of the Christian Science Church, will have a booth for magazine subscriptions; Mrs. Murray Brown of St. Luke's is to have charge of canned goods and Mrs. John Curtiss of the Catholic Church will have fruits, nuts, etc. Each one of these ladies will have a large committee assisting her and the spirit of cooperation displayed throughout is exemplary. Donations have come from all over town irrespective of church affiliation.

#### Many Booths

Others having charge of the booths are: Mrs. James Rea, aprons; Mrs. John J. Sheahan, bags and baskets; Mrs. J. H. Hopkins, books; Mrs. John A. McFarlan, confectionery; Mrs. J. G. Elliott, cigars and cigarettes; Mrs. James R. Woodrough, dolls and dresses; Mrs. Henry Hirschberg, fancy work; Mrs. S. W. Eckman, groceries; Mrs. N. F. Holch and Miss Philippine Handiges, grab bags; Miss Annette Snow, handkerchiefs; Mrs. Homer Croy household electrical appliances; Mrs. D. G. Clark, infants' wear; Mrs. E. H. Mays home made jellies and jams; Mrs. Augustine J. Wilson, kimonos; Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, lingerie; Mrs. W. S. Ortgies, millinery; Mrs. J. F. McTyier, orangeade; Mrs. George C. Le Blanc, phonographs; Mrs. F. R. Getz, popcorn; Mrs. A. A. Renshaw, refreshments; Mrs. Bryan R. Dorr, sporting goods; Mrs. John Brewer, stationery; Mrs. James H. Cassidy, toys; and Mrs. S. E. Davenport Jr., toilet articles.

No matter what the taste may be or how large the pocketbook, here is the place to do all Christmas shopping early and the prices will be fair. It will be a meeting place for people of all political faiths to talk over the election while enjoying the refreshments. The whole town and many folks from other towns will come.

Decorators will be welcome Monday evening and all day Tuesday!

#### Card Party at Mrs. Mohan's

To assist the women, who have charge of the fruit booth, Mrs. J. P. Curtiss, Mrs. W. F. Mohan, Mrs. W. S. Mayer, Mrs. Edmund O'Shea and others a card party will be given at the home of Mrs. Mohan 140 Greenway North on Monday evening, Nov. 1, when \$1.50 each will be the admission or \$5.00 for each table. Refreshments will be served and there will be prizes. Reservations may be made by telephoning to Mrs. Mohan.

## BUSY REPUBLICANS

### New Club will Entertain the People of the Town Election Night.

Buckeyes Sure to Jollify—Mass Meeting for Instruction to Voters Monday Night—Senator Wadsworth Spoke on the Square October 20.

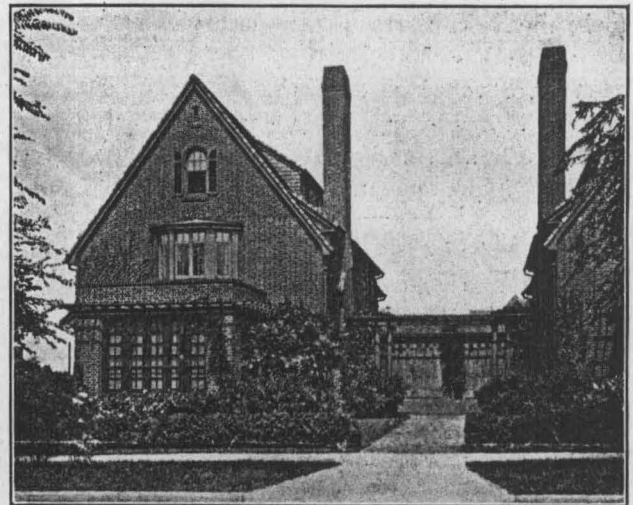
The Republican Club of Forest Hills is about six weeks old and is an organization full of life. On the evening of Nov. 1 in the Station Square, this organization will stage another mass meeting, when the voters men and women, will be instructed in what the politicians call "the mechanics of voting." There are to be three ballots and the new voters as well as the ones who comprise the old electorate will need some advice. There will be band music and a generally happy pre-election time. Many surprises are promised by S. W. Eckman, president of the Republican Club.

#### Election Returns

On election night in the Station Square, the same club will hold a jollification meeting—rejoicing if Harding is elected and seeing their Democratic friends jollify if Cox is elected. In either case the people from Ohio will hold a Buckeye reunion in the center of the Square for this is Ohio year. Election returns will be thrown on a screen; there will be scintillating speeches by President Eckman and many other attractive features. The whole town will be present.

#### Senator Wadsworth Speaks

On Wednesday evening Oct. 20, the Republican Club held a rally in the Station Square with President Eckman in (Continued on page 4)



A HOME ON GREENWAY NORTH

The house illustrated in this number of the BULLETIN is one of a group on Greenway North near Borage Place. An interesting feature is the treatment of the two connecting garages. Garages in themselves are difficult to treat architecturally on account of the heavy big door openings. In this arrangement of plan, a paved courtyard between the two houses forms a common driveway, while the attached garages are screened from vision by a latticed pergola near the front of the houses. The Homes Company was the architect and builder.

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### THE COMMUNITY HOUSE

THE Community House Fair was a good thing for several reasons. The large amount of money turned into the fund because of the fair is a matter of rejoicing, but that is not the most important reason. As the crowds elbowed their way around the sales office to the attractive booths with their inviting display, more than one thinking, leading citizen of Forest Hills said: "Well, this proves that we need a Community House." No one who had even a small part in the work or play of the fair could question the need of the general meeting place for every one in the town. The women are grateful to the Homes Company for the use of the building, which was the only available place in town, but it proved itself inadequate.

The fair did more than raise money and prove a physical need. "It demonstrated that our hopes of a united community interest in the Community House are not misplaced. With the right spirit and leadership it can be done." These are the words of Dr. David Latshaw. The women of all religious denominations worked with the members of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens to make it a success. One had a chance to buy jellies made by a Methodist member of the Church-in-the-Gardens and sold by a Presbyterian member of the same organization. A Baptist member of the Church-in-the-Gardens donated bread and rolls to the Catholic booth. The canned goods sold by the St. Luke's members and the beautiful etchings, of the gifted Lester G. Hornby, sold by the Reader of the Christian Science Church, were bought by people of all faiths. And the great variety of things sold at 27 booths by the members of the Church-in-the-Gardens, representing many denominations and bought by everybody, proves beyond a doubt that *we can work together*.

This Community House project is attracting attention all over the country as a forward movement in community life. The insert in this number of the BULLETIN gives valuable information to all who are interested in this splendid undertaking. It will succeed.

### MRS. REBECCA S. ELLINWOOD

At the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Batcheller, 160 Greenway North, Mrs. Rebecca Sibley Flint Ellinwood died Nov. 8, 1920, after a lingering illness. The services were held on Thursday afternoon, Nov. 11, with Dr. Robert J. Kent former pastor and Dr. David Latshaw pastor of the Church-in-the-Gardens, in charge. The hymns were rendered by a male quartette. The burial took place at Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mrs. Ellinwood traced her ancestry back to Hon. Thomas Flint, who settled in Concord, Mass., in 1638. The old records show that "he possessed wealth, talents and a Christian character." Mrs. Ellinwood was born in Athol,

Mass., Sept. 26, 1834, and she was the widow of George B. Ellinwood. She has made her home with the Batchellers for a number of years and moved to the Gardens with them over three years ago, when she joined the Church-in-the-Gardens. She was much interested in genealogy, and at the same time was a student of current events and spent considerable time in writing to men of prominence politically, who in turn appreciated her letters and wrote to her. Among others the late Theodore Roosevelt wrote to her.

### MEN'S CLUB

Program Committee and President Abbott Make Plans For the Year.

The Men's Club will meet on some Monday night of each month during the year, from November to May. On Nov. 15, at the home of Lawrence F. Abbott, 194 Greenway South, at 8 o'clock, Frederick K. Seward, Whitson Street, will speak on South America. B. S. Van Rensselaer, a resident of Rio de Janeiro and a law partner of Mr. Seward, will also speak. These gentlemen both belong to a firm of international lawyers and the evening will be a profitable one for the Men's Club.

Laurence La Tourette Griggs, an officer of the Aero Club, and a man well versed in aviation, will speak on the subject, "The Development of Aviation in American Industrial Life," at the home of Henry W. Hirschberg, 108 Greenway North, on Monday evening, Dec. 20. "How Your News Gets to You," will be the subject of the talk which William P. Beazell of the New York World, and a resident of the Gardens, will give before the same club on Monday evening, Jan. 31. The place will be announced later. Frederic W. Goudy, the great type designer, also of the Gardens, will speak on Monday evening, Feb. 21 in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, on the subject, "How the World Learned its A B C's" using lantern slides to illustrate his story. On March 21 and April 18 the club will meet, subjects and places to be announced later. May 16 is designated as "Ladies' Night," and the meeting will take place in the Church-in-the-Gardens. Mr. and Mrs. Francis Rogers will give groups of songs and recitations which they gave during the war to the United States soldiers in France.

### PLANS FOR CHRISTMAS EVE

An enthusiastic meeting of the Executive Board of the Forest Hills Gardens Celebrations Association was held at the Sales Office on Monday evening, Nov. 8. Chairmen for the special committees to be in charge of the Christmas Eve celebration were appointed. That celebration consists of a pageant, which passes up and down the streets of the village, and a chorus of men's voices singing carols. There is Santa Claus, too, who has gifts for all the children in the town who believe in good old St. Nicholas. Then a finale takes place on Station Square where the women's voices blend with the men in singing the beautiful Christmas songs.

Mrs. Charles H. Scammell will be in charge of the music; the costumes and mechanics will be cared for by Louis P. McGahie; the toys will be selected by Mrs. George A. Douglass and Henry W. Hirschberg; the finale will be planned by Mrs. Scammell, Arthur H. Flint, Francis H. J. Paul and Dr. Ralph W. Waddell. The Grand Marshal of the pageant will be John M. McMillin. Mr. Hirschberg is treasurer of the organization and will head the finance committee. The general chairman of the whole celebration is Dr. Waddell.

The next meeting of the Executive Board will be held at the same place on the evening of Nov. 29.

### THE GARDENS PLAYERS

The Gardens Players announce their first subscription performance of the Season 1920-21, Nov. 22 and Nov. 23 at the Kew Gardens Country Club at 8:30 P. M. Four one act plays will be presented. A distinctive feature of this bill is that The Players are giving a premier performance of "The Storm" by John Drinkwater. The other plays are "Fifty-fifty" "Where but in America" and "The Wonder Hat" and the casts include Bertha Mandell Lolita Cordon, Hildegard Diechmann, Maida Birmingham, Beth Cason, Mariorie Wilson Helen Smith, Ruth Swazev Charlotte Packard Harvey Warren, Crisnia Bebb Erik Hunecker, Edward Swazev, Irving Hare, Walter Claydoole, James S. Cassell. Tickets at the Inn and Chemist Shop.



# Forest Hills Gardens Bulletin

Supplement to Edition of November 13, 1920

## History of the Community House of Forest Hills

**Born of Necessity for Larger Quarters for Religious Education; the Plan Developed Along Broad Lines, Appealing to All Progressive People.**

By GEORGE SMART

**T**HE Community House is an evolution, a development from a modest beginning to a broad movement, starting with a small group in one church and extending to include the people of all religions and even those who think they are not religious but are willing and anxious to be helpful. The original idea was not narrow, for in the little church were representatives of eight or nine denominations and there was also the spirit of Olivia Sage, of honored memory, who in presenting the beautiful place of worship to the community stipulated that no denominational test should ever be applied to those who sought membership and that all who loved the Lord should be welcomed within its portals. Hence it was not surprising that the people who had come together on such a liberal basis welcomed plans for greater service than they had conceived.

### **The Inception of the Enterprise**

Like many other good things, the idea was born of necessity. The increasing number of children coming to the Sunday School of the Church-in-the-Gardens clearly demonstrated that the accommodations for the little ones and those somewhat older were inadequate and were certain to become much more so as time passed. It was first proposed that two or three of the lots adjoining the church property on Ascan Avenue be purchased and that the church erect a modest parish house to meet the needs of the Sunday School and carry on other kinds of religious education while also serving the community as much as possible. The subject was first presented to the trustees of the church on May 9, 1919, when it was stated that the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor had in mind a plan for raising a fund to be the first payment toward establishing a parish house. The plan had been approved at the mid-week church meeting. The trustees appointed a committee to confer with the Sage Foundation Homes Company as to the terms on which the lots could be purchased and on Oct. 24 the purchase of four lots was decided upon by the board.

### **Larger Project Made Possible**

Then came the pleasant surprise which made larger plans possible.

At a meeting of the board of trustees held Nov. 10, 1919, one of the members, Rowland H. Smith, stated that his mother, Mrs. Alfred H. Smith, being desirous of rendering a service to the church in a way that would promote also the interests of the community, wished him to say that she would give the church an amount equal to the cost price of such lots on Ascan Avenue and Borage Place as might be necessary for use in building a parish house and a pastor's residence on condition that within a year from Jan. 1, 1920 an

equal amount would be raised by the members of the church and others interested.

The generous offer was accepted with thanks and a committee appointed to raise the necessary amount of money. The action, a few days later, was approved by the church congregation and before the end of the month of January three lots at the corner of Greenway North and Borage Place and five lots on Borage Place were purchased and a committee on preliminary plans for the building was appointed. The building was still called the parish house, but a meeting of the board on Jan. 14 the committee on plans was instructed to ask the advice of the advisory board of the Community Council as to taking care of the need of the community organizations. The broadening movement was now well under way.

### **The Passing of Rowland Smith**

Then came the shock that filled Forest Hills with sorrow, for on April 2, Good Friday, 1920, Rowland Holbrook Smith, whose influence had been unceasingly devoted to the development of the higher life of the people of the village, and whose constant effort had been exerted in the new movement, was taken from his field of action in this life. His influence abided, and with new determination his friends, with many who knew him little personally but had felt the inspiration of his unselfish life went forward to complete the great work as he would have had them do it.

### **The House and Hall Named**

A noteworthy forward step was taken at a meeting of the trustees on April 30, when it was voted that the board recommend to the corporate body of the church that the new structure be called the Community House of the Church-in-the-Gardens and that the main auditorium be called Rowland H. Smith Hall. It was voted to present the project to the community as a one hundred and fifty thousand dollar undertaking, not including the parsonage.

One of the last acts of Mr. Smith in connection with the Community House was to make preliminary arrangements for the purchase of two additional lots on Ascan Avenue and this transaction was completed shortly after his death, so that the church now owns ten lots, surrounding the present edifice on the East and South.

### **The June Campaign**

The campaign for funds was started June 6, carried on for three weeks and \$70,150 including the land valued at \$20,000 now represents the assets of the Community House. When the fund amounts to \$75,000, a gift of \$10,000 will be forthcoming and when the fund reaches \$100,000 there will be available as a loan another \$10,000 at 2 per cent. It should be stated that it is now impossible to say definitely what the total cost of the enterprise will be. As the plans of the committee on building have developed,

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## Community House of Friendship and Good Will

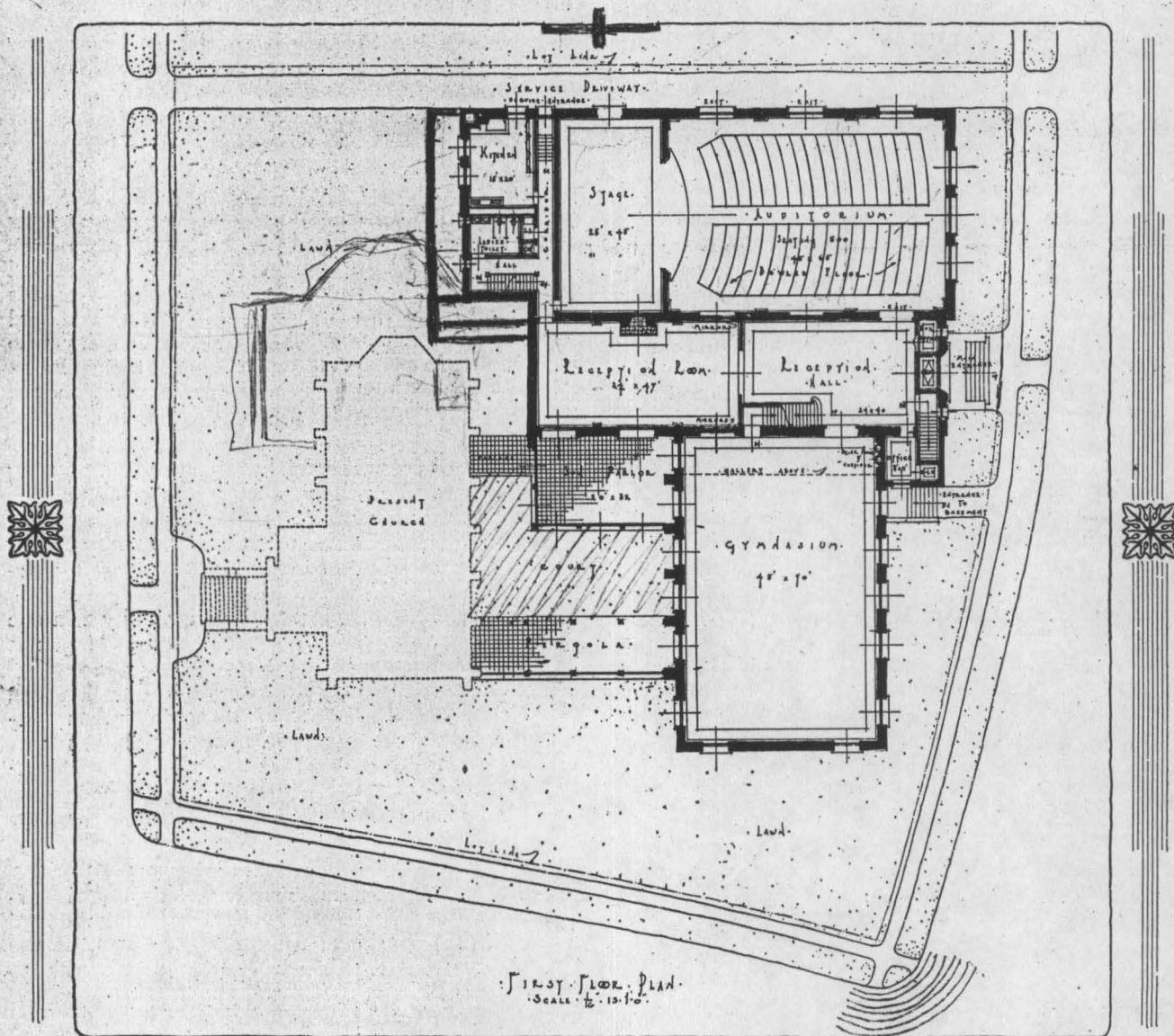
BY DAVID LATSHAW

Expectancy is big in the faith of the Christian Men of America. They expect great things to happen. They wait only for leadership to make them happen. Christianity as in the early days challenges to the great adventure. Adequate statements of our faith have been hammered out on the anvil of debate. The age of religious debate is past. The age of religious emotion has enlarged the hearts and horizons of men.

The age of *action* is here. Our time demands a demonstration of the friendship Christian men have thought, felt and talked about. The masses of men want to be shown and thousands of Christian men want to live more fully the ideals they have accepted. They honor their leaders, but in these days, adventure by proxy will not be enough. The Community House aims to give this spirit an adequate channel of expression.

The Church-in-the-Gardens has already demonstrated that men and women of various denominations can unite for worship and service. Old points of disagreement are deliberately pushed into the background. Points of agreement are emphasized and acted upon. In other words we do more than *tolerate* each other. We are friends.

We expect the Community House to enlarge this spirit in the Community. We demonstrate our good faith in the community by asking the community to participate in its management. Other churches and constructive agencies in Forest Hills will have a voice in the management of the house, with the active co-operation of the Church-in-the-Gardens. We are therefore building a house in honor of friendship and good will.



PROPOSED FIRST FLOOR PLAN

Showing Gymnasium, Auditorium, Reception Hall, Reception Room and Sun Parlor



## PROPOSED PLAN

### Governing Board of Community House — Method of Appointment, Powers, Duties and Responsibilities

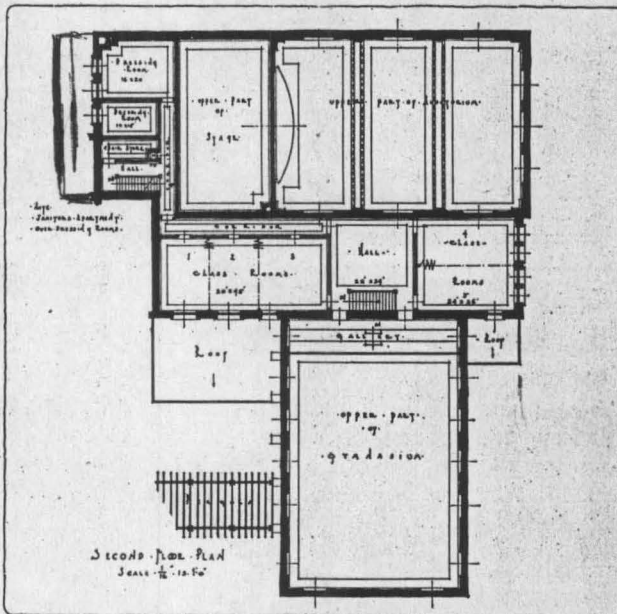
The Board of Trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens, after consultation with Thurlow M. Gordon, attorney and other residents, has prepared the following document to be presented to the church for formal action:

#### Memorandum of Resolution to be Recommended by Board of Trustees

Acting upon the suggestions of the Campaign Committee, the Board of Trustees recommends to the church the following resolution to be adopted by the church for the purpose of fixing definitely the plan of government for the new Community House when completed and put into operation.

**RESOLVED:** In order that the proposed Community House shall in the broadest way serve as an institution for the character building of our children and the religious, educational, charitable, patriotic and other proper activities of the people of Forest Hills as a whole, the trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens (hereinafter called the "trustees") are hereby directed to create a Board of Governors of the Community House (hereinafter called the "board") which shall consist of nineteen (19) members selected in accordance with the following plan:

- (a) Six (6) members of the board shall be appointed by the trustees to represent the Church-in-the-Gardens and shall include one trustee, one member of the Church Committee, a representative of the Sunday School, a representative of the Women's Guild, a representative of the Young People's



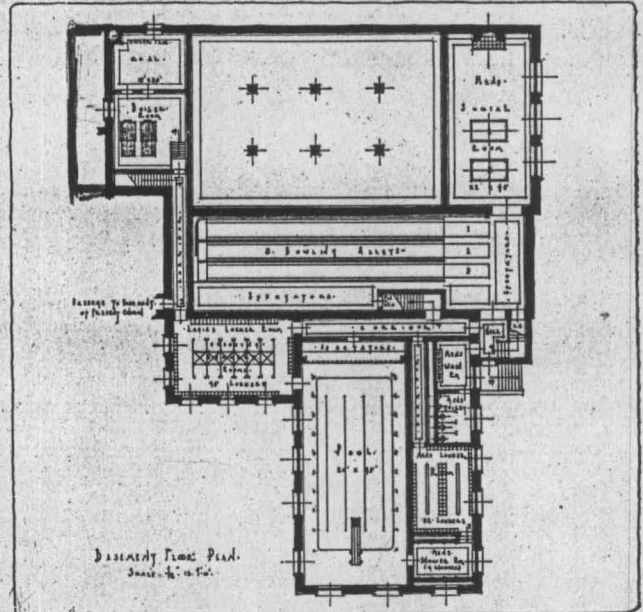
TENTATIVE SECOND FLOOR PLAN

Class and Club Rooms and Upper Part of Gymnasium and Auditorium.

Society, and one officer of the church (the Pastor, Moderator or Clerk).

- (b) The second group of ten (10) members shall represent the ten leading non-political organizations in the community, with the understanding that for the three years following the opening of the

Community House these organizations shall be the Protestant Episcopal Church of Forest Hills, the Roman Catholic Church of Forest Hills, the Church of Forest Hills, the Christian Science Church of Forest Hills, the Community Council, the Men's Club, the Women's Club, the Mothers' Club, the



BASEMENT FLOOR PLAN

Swimming Pool, Lockers and Showers, Men's Social Room, Heating Plant and Store Room.

Gardens Players and the Boy Scouts; and with the further understanding that the same ten organizations shall continue to be represented on the board thereafter unless and until the trustees shall designate from time to time other organizations in the opinion of the trustees more suitably qualified to carry out the spirit and purpose of the Community House. Each organization shall be asked to appoint one representative. If any organization designated shall cease to exist or shall neglect for six months to appoint a representative whenever one should be appointed, another organization shall be named in its place by the trustees, if in the opinion of the trustees a suitable organization exists in the community of Forest Hills. If no such organization exists, then, until such an organization shall come into being, the place so left vacant shall be filled by the appointment of a representative of the community at large as hereinafter provided in paragraph (c).

- (c) A third group of three (3) members shall consist of representative men or women of the community, and shall be selected by the members comprising the first and second groups. These shall represent the community as a whole and shall be appointed without regard to affiliation with churches or other organizations.

The first board shall be appointed to serve until the following November 1, and until the respective successors are appointed and confirmed. Thereafter, members of the board shall be appointed annually to serve for a period of one year (beginning November 1 in each year) and until their respective successors are appointed and confirmed. If the successor of any member shall not have been appointed at the expiration of six months after the time for such appointment has come then the term of such member shall automatically expire at the expiration of such six months period.

To conform with legal requirements, the trustees shall ratify and confirm all appointments.

In the event of a vacancy on the board through

death, resignation, or otherwise, it shall be filled by the appointment of a new member for the remainder of the unexpired term, to be selected in the same manner as the member whose place shall be vacant.

The Church-in-the-Gardens and the trustees thereof delegate to the board the following powers, duties and responsibilities:

- (a) The care and management of the Community House generally;
- (b) The selection of the Community House personnel to originate and carry on Community House activities (other than religious activities), i. e., activities originated by the Community House itself and not by outside organizations;
- (c) The duty of meeting the cost of maintenance and repairs of the Community House and the care of the Community House funds;
- (d) The responsibility for the character of entertainments conducted in the Community House or for it;
- (e) The responsibility of granting or refusing permission to persons or organizations desiring to use the Community House or any part of it, and of fixing the terms and conditions upon which such use shall be permitted; it being understood, however, that the Church-in-the-Gardens, in view of the greater proportionate responsibilities undertaken by it, in comparison with other organizations, shall have the right to specify the use of the Community House on Sundays;
- (f) The board shall at the opening of the Community House and on January 1 of each year thereafter submit to the trustees of the Church-in-the-Gardens a budget covering income and expenditures for the ensuing year. The board shall also submit to the trustees every three months a statement of the current financial condition of the Community House;
- (g) In view of the ultimate responsibility of the Church-in-the-Gardens for any indebtedness which may be incurred on behalf of the Community House, all acts of the board shall be subject to the veto of the Church-in-the-Gardens; and in case of unforeseen contingencies the trustees shall have power to amend or modify this plan in such respects as may be necessary to carry out the spirit and purpose of the Community House. The board shall not incur any indebtedness or obligation which may become a lien upon the Community House or other church property, and shall not, without the consent of the trustees, incur any financial obligations outside of a budget approved by the trustees. No activities shall be permitted in the Community House which are inconsistent with the tax exemption to which the property will be entitled as property used for mental or moral improvement, or for religious, educational, charitable, patriotic and such other activities as are exempt from property taxation under the Laws of the State of New York;
- (h) The board shall have full power to act by a majority, to establish its own by-laws and to determine its own manner of organization and action, including the manner of electing the members to be chosen by the board. It shall be authorized to act either at a meeting or by consent without a meeting, and may delegate its authority to such individuals or committees as it sees fit. No member of the board shall be responsible for the acts of any other member or for anything except his own individual, wilful malfeasance.

These resolutions shall not constitute a declaration of trust or the assumption of any legal obligation of any nature whatsoever, but shall constitute an expression by the Church of its purpose faithfully and conscientiously to carry out the spirit and purpose of the Community House in conformity with this plan.

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suggestions for enlargement and improvement have been accepted in a tentative way, thereby increasing the estimated cost to about \$250,000, but to offset the increased cost to a considerable extent will be the decrease in the cost of materials and labor which is certain to come in the near future unless all indications fail. The Community House will be built in units and will be so carefully planned that it will not become a greater burden than this progressive community will be glad to bear to promote the common good.

#### Plan of Government

One of the most difficult problems which has been met was that of providing a plan of government of the house which would meet legal requirements and also appeal to the entire community as liberal and fair. In working on this problem the trustees have had the invaluable guidance and counsel of Thurlow M. Gordon, an able lawyer of broad sympathies and strong community spirit. The plan published elsewhere in this issue has been approved by the board, but has not been finally acted upon by the church and

#### A FEW VITAL QUESTIONS

1. Are we as a community making Forest Hills the best possible place in which to live?
2. Are our educational leisure time activities developed to the full?
3. What are we doing to develop the cultural and art life of our community?
4. Are we seeing to it that all the groups in our community have an opportunity for a richer recreational life?
5. Are we promoting the physical well being of our community through leisure time activities?
6. Do we want our community to have a community program in which we all may share?
7. Shall we as community members pull together for the good of our community?
8. Is our community one of neighbors or a place of strangers?

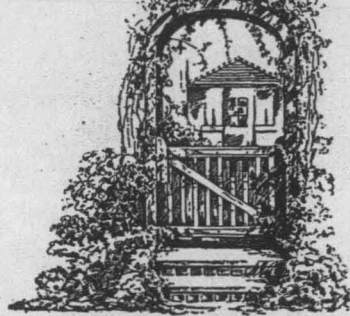
is subject to amendment. Suggestions will be welcomed by Donald G. Clark, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The plans of the building committee pictured in this issue are the result of long and thorough consideration after including consultation with architectural and other experts, but they are not final and any one who desires to submit suggestions for changes will be cordially received by the chairman, J. Gorton Marsh.

You are cordially invited to get in touch with Dr. S. Ellsworth Davenport Jr., secretary of the Campaign Committee, for it may not be possible for members of the committee to make a personal call upon all and it is hoped that many who have not subscribed will do so without waiting to be called upon.

The very efficient treasurer of the Community House fund is J. Floyd McTyier, 57 Summer Street.





which will thrive in this locality is growing in Forest Hills; in fact, there are seventy-five varieties here. In the Gardens, Olmsted Brothers, Brookline, Mass., spent two years in planning landscaping and for the last eleven years the planting has been done according to that firm's ideas. Extensive and

beautiful planting has been done for years in the Cord Meyer Development. From the first flaming forsythia down through the last red berries that cling in the fall, the shrubbery is a delight to the eye.

It is a deplorable thing to make public that some adults and children of Forest Hills ruthlessly break off the branches of flowering shrubs. This habit removes branches from public and private enjoyment, also takes away several years' growth and spoils the symmetry of the bushes. How can any one be so thoughtless and destructive?

A resident on Cranford Street writes of the wilful destruction of trees on his property. The last tree destroyed stood near a neighbor's garage. The burning of grass in the fields, without authorization, has caused the destruction of hedges in several places in the village. Why not have strict regard for other people's property?

#### COMMUNITY HOUSE

Plans are completed for the Community House. These have been approved by the Advisory Board and the Board of Trustees. On last Monday evening, they were approved by the corporate body of the Church-in-the-Gardens. A representative group of towns people met at the church last night and after viewing the plans, made arrangements to begin a campaign June 5 to raise an additional \$50,000. The raising of that amount of money, in addition to what is already on hand, will make it possible to begin building at an early date. A booklet will be distributed within a few days and this will show plans of the building, the estimated construction expense and operating budget.

#### BRILLIANT SPEAKER.

"Miss Margaret Slattery is the most brilliant and interesting woman speaker in America today," is the way Dr. Lewis T. Reed, pastor of the Flatbush Congregational Church, characterizes the speaker who will fill the pulpit of the Church-in-the-Gardens tomorrow morning at 11

#### WEDNESDAY CLOSING.

It is announced that all food stores in Forest Hills will close every Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock, beginning with Wednesday, June 7.

In order to properly commemorate the event and to give suitable thanks to those who insured this wonderful success, the fair committee is giving a dance reception to those ladies of Forest Hills who, so ably generated by Mrs. Val Hattemer, assisted.

The Pomonok Country Club House has been engaged for the evening of Friday, June 9 next and at that time and place the Masons of Forest Hills will tender their thanks and gratitude to their benefactresses.

#### CHORAL CLUB.

Annual Election Held—Tribute Paid to Mrs. Scammell—Card Party Given.

On May 11 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, the Forest Hills Choral Club held the annual meeting and re-elected the officers as follows: President, Mrs. Charles H. Scammell; vice-president, J. Gorton Marsh; secretary, Donald G. Clark; treasurer, John Messenger; librarian, Miss Annette Snow.

A beautiful testimonial was presented to Mrs. Scammell expressing the gratitude and affection of the members for her generous and magnificent work in organizing the club and in being the first president. The presentation was made by Mr. Marsh.

A card party was given by the Choral Club on Monday evening May 1 at the residences of Mrs. Donald G. Clark and Mrs. George H. Merrill, Markwood Road. A beautiful gold pencil was given as a prize at each table. Twenty-three of these prizes were distributed. Mrs. Walter S. Mayer was the general chairman, and Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh had charge of the refreshments. After the refreshments dancing was enjoyed.

#### DR. LATSHAW SPEAKER.

Memorial Services Will be Held on the Green-Poppies to be Sold for Veterans' Camp.

There will be appropriate services held on Memorial Day at 10 A. M. on the Flag Pole Green under the auspices of the local American Legion with Hon. Charles Pope Caldwell in charge. Dr. David Latshaw, the Chaplain of the Legion, will be the speaker. A large chorus will lead the singing. Mrs. Charles H. Scammell urges that all who can sing, whether members of the Forest Hills Choral Club or not, to meet her at the sales office promptly at 9:30 that morning.

Beautiful red paper poppies will be sold for ten cents up each by a group of young ladies. Every cent of the proceeds will go to the Veterans' Mountain Camp. It is hoped and expected that every one in Forest Hills will wear a poppy and so in the best way pay tribute to the soldiers who were wounded or have lost their health in the great war.

#### TEA FOR MRS. CLARK.

The advisory committee of the current readings chapter of the Women's Club gave a very delightful tea for Mrs. Donald G. Clark, at the home of Mrs. Robert C. Adams, Deepdene Road, on the afternoon of May 10. Mrs. Clark has been chairman of the chapter for two years and has given time, talent and initiative to the work of the chapter, all of which has helped to account for the growth in interest. The tea was given in appreciation of what Mrs. Clark has done.

Louis.  
Mrs. B. R. Clawson, 43 Gowanus  
Wisconsin Women's Society of New  
May 26.

Lawrence Hunt, formerly of Forest Hills, Washington, D. C., wrote an excellent second prize in the Washington essay contest. The subject of the contest was "The Significance of the Conference and its Significance." It was printed in the Star on April 12.

Miss Grace Marren, Greenway, 10 for Los Angeles, California via Los Angeles Miss Marren will visit toward Ardery, former residents of an extended trip through California. Rockies will follow.

Percy West, 45 Burns Strees, is Mr. West's former home on Greenway. Mrs. M. E. Judd, Jewell Street, is Mr. West's daughter Deenie of the left Monday for Booth Bay Harbor.

Mrs. John Bolognino and daughter Leonard, sailed for Italy, Saturday Remo until July 10, then Dr. B. and they will spend the summer in Italy.

Mrs. Thomas B. Paton and daughter turned from the South Thursday attending the spring conference of the Y. M. C. A.

Mrs. Ellis Bonime and daughter where they have been for five weeks short stay there, they will visit the remainder of the summer in the It.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilaine Holder, of left for a trip around the world. thirteen months.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mayer, rented a house at Southold, Long Island. They leave for there June 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Allmayer, Living about June 1 for their estate at the birth of a daughter on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. Elmer Kline gave a party May 18, for Mrs. James Taylor daughter, Mrs. L. E. B. Conkling.

Mrs. Henry Stokes, Miss Doris Stokes and her children sailed for England after paying several visits en route. Miss Dorothy will spend the summer in Edinburgh, where they will be visited by Mr. Everard Stokes and sail for England a little later than return to Forest Hills next fall.

#### MR. GOUDY SPEAKS AT V

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic W. Goudy attended the national meeting of the Society of Arts, at Washington, D. C. was one of the speakers. He is the author of Washington. Mr. Goudy is an American Institution of Graphic Arts, many kinds of types and is the field of typographical art.

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## COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Protest Made Against the Increase in Water Rate and Also Against Inadequate Gas—Next Meeting of Council.

A delegation from the Community Council of Forest Hills attended a mass meeting Friday evening, Dec. 3, in the Newtown High School. The meeting was for the purpose of discussing the gas and water problems confronting the community. Mr. Jabez Dunningham of the Elmhurst Community Council presided.

A representative of the Public Service Commission attempted to explain why the people of Elmhurst and Forest Hills and the adjacent towns are cooking their dinners with nine, instead of twenty, candle power gas.

The water company did not, as asked to do, send a representative to explain to the assembly the necessity for making their proposed fifty per cent raise in rates. Instead, they invited the mass meeting to send a committee to them. After much discussion it was decided to adopt this plan and a committee of five was appointed by the chair, one from each district represented at the meeting. This committee was instructed to question the company with a view to determining whether any raise in rate is necessary, and if so, whether fifty per cent is exorbitant. Individuals from the floor also requested the committee to ask why the present charge is based not alone on meter readings, but also on house frontage and number of stories, with extra charge for additional fixtures over one of a kind, and for families in excess of one occupying the house.

There will be another mass meeting in the near future to hear the report of this committee which has already gone before the officials of the water works company. It is suggested that all who are interested in the matter from either point of view should try to be present at this next meeting, the date of which can be learned from the Community Secretary, phone Boulevard 6497-W.

#### Next Meeting

The December meeting of the Community Council will be held in the Masonic Hall on Friday evening, Dec. 17, at eight o'clock. The Rev. Albert Sheppard, pastor of the Church of Forest Hills, will speak on "Mexico from Within."

## DO YOU KNOW

That the Community House is for you and your children—every resident of Forest Hills, including both sides of the track and the apartments?

If you have not subscribed, consider these facts: (1) the land is donated free and clear by a true friend of the community; (2) some two hundred residents have subscribed approximately \$300 each; (3) the management is to be vested in the representatives of all religious, social and other organizations in the community.

Obey that impulse, cut out and send this blank generously filled in and signed to the treasurer, J. Floyd Mc-Tyler, 57 Summer Street, Forest Hills.

### SUBSCRIPTION TO THE COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND, FOREST HILLS, L. I.

.....1920

In consideration of similar agreements of others I promise to pay to the Treasurer of the Church-in-the-Gardens for the Community House Fund

..... Dollars (\$.....) payable as follows:

Ten per cent. in 30 days.

Twenty per cent. when building contract is signed.

Twenty per cent when foundation is in.

Twenty-five per cent. when roof is on.

Twenty-five per cent. when building is completed.

Signed .....

Address .....

## THE INN

Mrs. Eleanor Mead has returned to the Inn after a month's trip through the West Indies.

Captain and Mrs. A. T. Shurick were welcomed home this week by their many friends at the Inn.

Miss Kendrick, of Cincinnati, is spending several weeks at the Inn with her sister, Mrs. W. W. Gray and daughter, Miss Agnes.

Jack Marshall has returned after an absence of six weeks.

Owen Rossiter, of Brookline, Mass., is spending the week-end at the Inn.

Among the recent arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. Glen F. Farmer and their small son; Mrs. E. A. Ungerman and children, from Alabama, and Mrs. W. L. Harriss, of Minneapolis.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 7, Signor Picco, of the Metropolitan Opera Company, sang three songs in the ballroom of the Inn to the delight of the Inn family and many residents of the Gardens.

## PERSONALS

Edgar Snow, 186 Meteor Street, is attending Irving School, Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson. He was home for Thanksgiving and will be home for the Christmas holiday vacation.

Mrs. Charles B. Nelcamp Puritan Avenue, spent Thanksgiving day in Boston with the family of Henry Mears, formerly of 105 Puritan Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ely, of Schenectady, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. William E. Woodard, Greenway Terrace. Mr. Ely has been attending the meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Mrs. F. E. Wheeler, 330 Burns Street, spent a month with her son Girard, who is attending Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire.

Mrs. William B. Hartley, of Hagerstown, Indiana is visiting Mrs. C. C. Joys Burns Street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Erwin Park End Place announce the birth of a son, John Richard Erwin, on Nov. 28.

Mrs. C. B. Flory has just returned from several weeks visit among relatives and friends in Milwaukee.

Mrs. Alice Flory Coursen, who was recently the guest of her brother C. B. Flory and her sister Mrs. O. R. Erwin, is now a resident of the Kew Gardens Inn for the winter.

Many of the young people of the Gardens are attending school away from home and will be here for the holidays. Send interesting personals about them to the BULLETIN, please.

## THE GARDENS PLAYERS IN NEW YORK

The Theatre Club of New York City has invited the Players to present one or more plays at its monthly meeting on Dec. 21 at 3 o'clock, in the Hotel Astor. "Fifty-Fifty" has been chosen, and there is a possibility that "Where But In America" may also be given. Both were highly successful in the recent performance given by the Players at Kew Gardens. Maida Birmingham, Beth Cason and Erik Huneker complete the cast of "Fifty-Fifty," while Ruth Swazey, Charlotte Packard and James Cassell play the roles of "Where But In America."

This is a distinct milestone in the progress of the Gardens Players, as it will be their first performance produced on Broadway.

## GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts raised \$11.50 in dimes for the philanthropic chapter of the Women's Club during Thanksgiving week. The money has been added to the sum raised by the chapter for the Jamaica Day Nursery.

On Dec. 10 the Mothers' Council invited the Boy Scouts to meet with the Girl Scouts at the Seminole Avenue Club House. Baskets of toys were prepared for the shut-in children of various hospitals, and after the work, Mrs. Harold Clayton Smith played for dancing. Refreshments were served.

Miss Hulda Flint, of Beechnoll Road, will receive orders for magazine subscriptions from the residents of Forest Hills and the profit derived therefrom will go to the Girl Scouts.



## THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



On Children's Day, June 20, the morning service was given over to the Sunday School. Bright and happy little people sang, recited and in their exercises showed the thoughtful care and training of their teachers. Bibles were presented to twenty of the seven-year-olds by the Church, and the children then repeated the Lord's Prayer, 23rd Psalm and other portions of the Scriptures.

June 26 was picnic day. One hundred members of the school and their friends went to Long Beach for the day. The weather was fine and everybody was happy. A near-tragedy was averted by the prompt action of several men of the party, who later donned their bathing suits while their usual garments were drying.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor meetings are discontinued until September. Church services will be held as usual at 11 o'clock on Sunday mornings during July. Tomorrow Rev. A. C. Church, assistant pastor of Tompkins Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, will occupy the pulpit. On July 18 Dr. W. A. Rice will preach. Dr. Rice was a charter member of this church and its first treasurer. A. H. F.

## CREIGHTON CROY

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Croy, whose home here is on Standish Road, and who are temporarily living in New York, were shocked to hear of the death on June 27 of their four-and-a-half-year-old son, Creighton. The boy was visiting an aunt in Texas and he was accompanied by his grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Croy hurried to Texas when they heard of his illness and reached there just before his death. They brought the body here and services were held in the Church-in-the-Gardens (in which he had been christened) on Sunday afternoon, July 4, conducted by Rev. Albert Sheppard, pastor of the Church of Forest Hills. The burial was at Maplegrove Cemetery.

## MRS. PHILIPINE HANDIGES

Mrs. Philipine Handiges, mother of Mrs. James H. Cassidy and Miss Philipine Handiges, 122 Ascan Avenue, died at Mrs. Cassidy's home on June 14, aged seventy-five years. Mrs. Handiges' pastor in her former home, Cleveland, was Dr. William Zirbes, now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Brooklyn, and it was he who conducted the services on June 16. The burial was in Maplegrove Cemetery.

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## GUILD SUPPER

Not only to increase the Community House fund of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens, but also to furnish an opportunity for the residents of the village to have supper together on the holiday, the ways and means committee, Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, chairman, with Mrs. J. B. Snow, supper chairman, arranged a most delectable menu, which the ladies served to 183 people between the hours of 6 and 7:30 P. M., July 5, in the Social Room, at the price of \$1 each. All of the food was donated, so the supper tickets show almost clear receipts. The tables were decorated in red, white and blue flowers.

## THE INN



The beautiful weather added to the enjoyment of the many relatives and friends of guests who spent the holiday week-end at the Inn, every available corner being used for their accommodation. The Inn has never been more crowded than over the past holiday, and the dining room facilities proved almost inadequate to meet the demand of the outside public for meals.

Mrs. J. A. Patchell, of Washington, spent the holidays with her son, J. H. Patchell, of the Inn.

Miss Dorothy E. Wensley is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. B. Willis, as is also Miss Gleasner, of Chicago, visiting her sister, Mrs. Streit, of the Inn.

J. O. Major, of the Inn, has as his guests over the holidays C. A. Potter, of Philadelphia, Mrs. D. L. Neeson and Miss Olive Lockman, of New York.

Miss Eleanor B. Morse, of Lexington, Ky., sister of Mr. Albert Morse, of the Inn, has recently arrived to spend the summer as the guest of her brother.

Mrs. T. M. Nelson and her son, Lieutenant Commander G. W. Nelson, are among the recent arrivals at the Inn, and anticipate making their home here for the summer and fall.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Clark, of New York, have also recently arrived, much to the delight of their many friends here.

Miss E. M. Bell has recently returned from her trip to Europe and has been joined here by Miss D. H. Weis, of New York.

Miss Edna H. Moore and Herbert Moore, who spend every summer at the Inn, are among recent arrivals.

Charles G. Slauson has joined his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Slauson, in their apartment at the Inn.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Gallant returned last week from their honeymoon trip through New England, and will make their home at the Inn. Mrs. Gallant was formerly Mrs. Truman Parsons, of Huntington and New York, while Dr. Gallant is a former resident of the Inn and a much-valued patron.

Charles H. D. Robbins, Jr., has recently arrived from Andover Academy and will spend the summer with his parents at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Grout and family recently returned from their month's visit to the country.

Miss Adele M. Shaw left last week for a summer in New England.

## COMMUNITY HOUSE CAMPAIGN

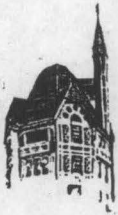
The campaign for funds for the proposed Community House to be erected on land adjoining the Church-in-the-Gardens has been going on for several weeks, and while all of the captains have reported and the campaign is nominally closed, a number of the men are still working with good results. Up to date \$67,200 have been subscribed by 122 families. From one-half to two-thirds of the people have been solicited and heard from, but the others are yet to be reported. Within a few days there will be several more thousand dollars subscribed and it is earnestly hoped to bring the amount up to \$75,000, for then there will be another gift of \$10,000. This is a most encouraging showing, and the teams and the community are to be congratulated.

Meanwhile the building committee, J. Gorton Marsh, chairman, is perfecting the building plans.

## WHOOPIING COUGH

There are a number of cases of whooping cough in the Gardens, and while most mothers are very conscientious about exposing other children, still some children who are suffering with the disease are allowed to go on the thoroughfares and thus scatter the germs. Some parents of innocent sufferers have telephoned to the BULLETIN office and have asked that the parents of children who are afflicted will please keep those children home.

THE INN



Mrs. Murray M. Waxman of the Inn gave a very pleasing bridge and tea on Monday last in honor of Mrs. Carl MacFadden, who is among the recent newcomers to the Gardens. Mr. and Mrs. MacFadden are now building in Forest Hills and are delighted with the community and its guests.

A very interesting meeting and dinner comprising two representatives from different organizations of local residents was held at the Inn on Wednesday evening last,

with Mr. J. F. McTyler presiding, assisted by Dr. S. E. Davenport, Jr., for the purpose of making an organized drive for funds for the erection of a Community House in Forest Hills.

Miss Mary Lee Whitman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Whitman, of the Inn, has just been graduated from the Oaksmere School at Mamaroneck, New York, and has also been appointed assistant art instructor of that school for the coming term. Miss Whitman will spend the summer with her mother at their camp in Maine and will also visit several of her classmates. Mr. Whitman will remain at the Inn during the absence of his family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Renfrew have left for their customary visit up New York State of several weeks' duration, but will return to the Inn in the early fall.

Mr. Frederick Gunster of the Inn has just returned from an extended concert tour over the Middle West, and has many future bookings which will take him practically all over the United States.

Mrs. D. M. Bedell and her nephew, Capt. E. B. MacGuffin, of Garden City, are spending some time at the Inn before their departure for California.

Miss M. N. Bell sailed last week for Europe and will return to the Inn during the early part of July. Miss M. Pauley has also gone on a three weeks' vacation.

Mr. Malcolm Conant, whose business recently took him to Chicago, spent last week-end at the Inn, much to the pleasure of his many friends.

Among the recent arrivals at the Inn are Miss Jeannette Ransom of Chicago, Miss Stout of Kansas City, Mr. J. A. Cochrane of New York, Mr. E. F. Dellano of Boston, Mr. E. C. Hallinan of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Workman of Chicago, Mr. R. F. Potter and Mr. A. G. Acheson of New York.

COMMUNITY HOUSE CAMPAIGN

Thirty-five people representing the organizations of Forest Hills dined together at the Inn on Wednesday evening last, as the guests of the ways and means committee of the Church-in-the-Gardens. J. Floyd McTyler, chairman of the committee, and Dr. S. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr., arranged the affair. After a full and free discussion in which members of all organizations and churches took part, the following resolution, moved by S. W. Eckman, and seconded by Lyman Beecher Stowe, was unanimously carried:

"Resolved, that we approve of the proposition of the Church-in-the-Gardens to enter upon a campaign to raise \$150,000 for the prompt erection of a Community House on the land already purchased and paid for. This building shall serve as an institution for the character building of our children and the educational, civic, recreational and other proper activities of the people of Forest Hills as a whole. On the governing board the different organizations of the community shall be represented."

The campaign will be conducted between June 6 and June 21.

The new house will be called "The Community House of the Church-in-the-Gardens, Forest Hills, Long Island," and the main auditorium will be called the "Rowland H. Smith Hall."

The organizations represented at the dinner were the Men's Club, Women's Club, Gardens Players, Mothers' Club, Masons, Audubon Society, Boy Scouts, Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens, Community Council and the following churches: Christian Science Society, St. Luke's Chapel and the Church-in-the-Gardens. The priest of the Roman Catholic Church and the pastor of the Church of Forest Hills had expressed their interest and willingness to co-operate although they could not be present.

FOUND—Bar pin, with brilliants, at the home of Mrs. James R. Woodrough on May 12. Owner please apply to Mrs. Woodrough.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



The Rev. E. Fred Eastman, of Roslyn, L. I., will be the speaker tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

There will be a corporate meeting of the church on Wednesday evening, June 2, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of ratifying the action of the committee on the selection of a pastor, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Although the Rev. Belvin W. Maynard (the flying parson) left the Young Peoples' Society "up in the air" last Sunday evening (he was unable to keep his engagement to speak at the meeting), Mr. McTyler, president of the society, proved himself an able pilot. Mrs. LeBlanc at the organ, Miss Gardner's splendid solo, and short talks by half a dozen of the members of the society, all contributed to a very interesting and enjoyable evening.

Two weeks ago the Sunday School made a new attendance record—155.

June 6 will be Communion Sunday. At our last Communion twenty-four members were added to the church. We are hoping that others will join with us on this occasion. Mr. Flint, Moderator ad interim, will be glad to talk with any who may be interested. W. P. McC.

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THE LAW

It has come to the ears of the Audubon Society that some boy has recently killed a thrush, and that other boys in the Gardens have been tampering with the bird boxes and stealing birds' eggs. Killing song birds is a federal offense, punishable by a fine of \$50.00, and a state fine besides. The person committing the offense can be tried before a local magistrate. The society would be loath to take this course, but keeping the law is essential for the preservation of birds. It does not believe any boy would willfully injure a bird or a nest. The progress made in attracting birds to the Gardens is beginning to show success and it would be cruel to think that any child in Forest Hills would injure our innocent lovely visitors.

COMING EVENTS

May 30—Memorial Day.  
June 1, 8:15 P. M.—Hoover Meeting, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.  
June 2, 8 P. M.—Corporate Meeting, Church-in-the-Gardens.  
June 3, 8:30 P. M.—Men's Club, Church-in-the-Gardens.  
June 3, 4 and 5—Masons' Fair, Boulevard.  
June 5, 2 P. M.—Operetta, Olivia Park.  
June 11, 2 P. M.—Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens, 17 Bow Street.  
June 12, 7:30 P. M.—Community Sing, Station Square.  
June 14—Flag Day.

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## Great Building Activity in Forest Hills

Ground Broken for Community House for Which Very Attractive Plans Have Been Completed. Many Beautiful and Comfortable Homes in Course of Construction

**B**UILDING is very active in Forest Hills. There will be no need to worry about the unkempt appearance of vacant lots next summer; apparently, like the core of the selfish little boy's apple, "There ain't goin' to be none."

In the Gardens, J. E. Musil has the foundation laid for a large stucco house on Exeter Street near Continental Avenue, Colton & Ayers being the architects. Across the street an addition which is really a second house is being built to the residence of George B. Hanavan. On Groton Street near Continental Avenue, a spacious residence of lovely lines is growing for William F. Woodard, Douglas Fitch, architect. On Continental Avenue and Exeter Street, the Sage Foundation Homes Company is finishing the beautiful marble-stucco house of Nathaniel Wilkes. The same company has also nearly completed a fine house of Colonial design on Greenway South and Groton Street for P. J. Maloney; and is building two groups of three houses each, either side of Middlemay Circle, six houses in all, which will be for sale.

On the southwest corner of Greenway Terrace and Middlemay Circle, the quaintly beautiful home for H. Hunter is nearly ready for occupancy, Grosvenor Atterbury, architect; and on the southwest corner of Greenway North and Ascan Avenue an exquisite gray stucco and field-stone house, designed for John Allen King by Douglas Fitch, forms a delightful companion for the Church-in-the-Gardens.

On the east side of Ascan Avenue near Burns Street, William T. Anderson, Inc., has nearly completed four stucco houses, two detached, two semi-detached, which are for sale; and across the avenue, on the corner of Ascan and Burns the same builder is having the cellar excavated for a four-story apartment house, which is promised to be of most attractive design.

Around the corner, on a plot bounded by Sloenn Crescent, Burns Street and Middlemay Circle, Guyon L. C. Earle, owner of the Tennis Place and Gardens Apartments, is erecting nine three-story dwellings which will be unique, comfortable and pleasing.

On the northwest corner of Ascan Avenue and Russell Place, L. Gallucci is building for his own occupancy a tapestry brick house, Charles M. Lebejayer being the architect; and diagonally across on Ascan Avenue and Winter Street, William Woodin & Son have nearly finished a commodious

home for H. B. Evans. The Woodins are also building a residence for George A. Powell on Greenway South near Puritan Avenue, and have recently completed a two-family house for Dr. Eugene Christian, on the southwest corner of Winter and Summer Streets.

On the northeast corner of Ascan Avenue and Greenway South, a very handsome residence is almost completed for the occupancy of Mrs. Louise Sammis, William S. Moore, architect; and next to it, on Ascan Avenue, a house is being built for William Plate.

For Philip A. Armour a fine house is going up on the southeast corner of Greenway North and Puritan Avenue, John J. Hutchins, architect; and nearby on Seabrook Road and Summer Street a quaint dwelling is being built by E. Englehardt, who is his own architect. Further along on Greenway North and Wendover Road, a double house, combining comfort and good style, is almost ready for E. Gilman, L. Paganni being the architect. On Wendover Road, Curtis Klotzer has the foundation laid and retaining wall of field stone ready for the house to be built in the spring.

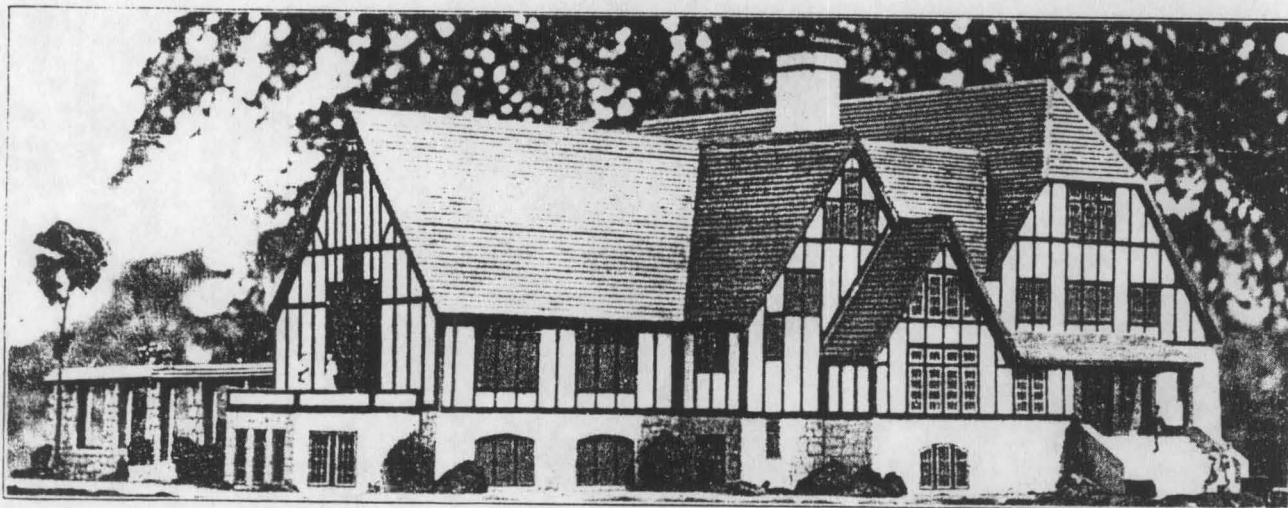
On Markwood Road and Rockrose Place, in keeping with the handsome residences of that locality, George H. Wickes is having erected a spacious home, Erik Hadgaard & Burnham are the architects. At Greenway South and Shorthill Road, a very attractive house is well under way for G. T. Batcheller, the Sage Foundation Homes Company being architect and builder.

The Forest Hills Gardens Home Company, of which S. W. Eckman is president, has made fine progress on Whitson Street, with a group of twelve houses approaching completion on the north side, the foundations almost ready for a similar group on the south side, and the cellar excavations made for nine houses on Ascan Avenue between Ingram and Whitson Streets.

In the Cord Meyer Development, a handsome brick house has been recently completed on Chittenden Street for Mrs. J. Casey, Herman Spiker, architect. On Fife Street, east of Seminole Avenue, Zeron Brothers, architects and builders, have under construction two handsome detached residences which are for sale.

L. W. Baenche expects to move before long into his at-

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Model of the Community House

Made after the Plans of Grosvenor Atterbury, by John Almy Tompkins and George H. Merrill

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## CIVIC AFFAIRS

### Community Council Discusses Gas, Streets, Sewers and the Bulletin

The last meeting of the Community Council held on Friday evening, April 21, in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens was largely attended and the gathering was an enthusiastic one. The recently appointed law committee was represented by Louis D. Speir and Judge Davies. They both reported that they had become conversant with the restrictions and that they felt that the restrictions would be binding in the future as in the past and that they would be adhered to.

J. Gorton Marsh, chairman of the committee for streets and public utilities, reported that the people of Forest Hills are entitled to 22 candle power gas but that really an average of 18 candle power is being furnished. The City Parliament of Community Councils is protesting against this low candle power. This committee will handle the question of safety in the streets. A report on this question appears in another column.

Samuel Castelman, Jr., made a plea for a place where boys may play and where they may have an opportunity to indulge in seasonal sports. Mr. Castelman is chairman of the committee which will look after the recreation of adolescent children.

The future publication of the FOREST HILLS GARDENS BULLETIN was referred to a committee appointed by the president, Edgar D. Sealy. The committee consists of Lawrence F. Abbott, F. M. Knowles, Fred Gretsche and Mrs. George Smart.

J. F. Perrine, engineer from the office of the President of Queens Borough, explained our system of sewers. Forest Hills is in the Corona area. The Fifty-first Street sewer will not be in operation for a number of years. Forest Hills has not a permanent system of sewers yet, that will not come for a number of years and when it does come the present pipes will be attached to the permanent system. He answered questions and very satisfactorily explained the intricate and expensive system of sewers in Queens Borough.

### MRS. ALFRED H. SMITH.

#### Generous Friend of the Village Passes Away at Her Home On Continental Avenue

Mrs. Susie D. Smith, widow of the late Alfred H. Smith, died at her home on Continental Avenue, early Sunday morning, April 23. The services were held at her home on Tuesday afternoon, April 25, and they were conducted by Dr. William A. Kirkwood, associate pastor of the Broadway Tabernacle, of which Mrs. Smith had long been a member, and Dr. George Drew Egbert, of the Flushing Congregational Church, of which Mrs. Laura B. Vogler, Mrs. Smith's daughter, is a member. Interment was at Woodlawn.

Mrs. Smith had been a semi-invalid for many years and so was personally not known to many people in the Gardens, but through her great generosity all people of Forest Hills are much indebted to her. Because of the devotion to the Church-in-the-Gardens on the part of her son, the late Rowland H. Smith, and the interest both of them had in the community, she gave to the Trustees the land surrounding the church for a parish house. Later the scheme of the project was changed into a Community House with her knowledge and consent. She has also given land on Ascan Avenue for a parsonage for the church.

By the terms of her will the sum of \$40,000 has been left to the Community House in memory of her son. This money is to be used to furnish the Rowland H. Smith Hall, and the residue is to be an endowment for the repairs of the building.

The sum of \$5,000 was left to St. Luke's Church.

The Jamaica Hospital was left \$40,000 in memory of her son to provide a children's annex for the new building.

Her benefactions have been large and many, but her

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## KERMIT ROOSEVELT SPEAKS

### Tells the Men's Club About Exploring the River of Doubt—New Officers Elected

The meeting of the Men's Club Thursday evening of this week at the home of Dr. Edward L. Keyes, 110 Greenway South, was thoroughly enjoyed by all of the large number of members present. The speaker, Kermit Roosevelt, gave a most interesting account of the trip made in 1913 to Brazil by him with his father, Theodore Roosevelt. He told of the many difficulties encountered in exploring the River of Doubt and of the great suffering of his father due to the return of the fever contracted during the African trip. One member of the party was drowned, another was killed by one of the peasants in the party, the murderer escaping into the wilderness, and there were numerous narrow escapes. The trip was harder than the one to Africa, but Col. Roosevelt was always glad he made it, chiefly because he put the River of Doubt on the map. Mr. Roosevelt said his father never fully recovered from the effects of the trip.

Lawrence Abbott spoke briefly, telling of the great suffering of Colonel Roosevelt on the steamship Imperator when returning from a trip to England in 1914. Mr. Abbott, who happened to be a passenger on the same ship, said that the fortitude displayed by the Colonel was remarkable.

The club voted \$100 to the support of the children's playground in accordance with its custom.

The plans for the proposed Roosevelt Memorial Episcopal



### ATTRACTIVE GROUP

The above group of four houses at the corner of Ascan Avenue and Ingram Street, has been purchased by Rev. Dr. Worth M. Tippy, Rev. Wm. P. S. Lander, W. Alton Jones and Mrs. Frieda Katz.

The end houses have eight rooms and two baths and a one car garage. The center houses have seven rooms and two baths.

The group is of stucco with brick trim, red tile roof. The designs were made by the Sage Foundation Homes Company and the houses were built by the company.

Church were presented for inspection by the rector, Rev. W. P. S. Lander, and were much admired.

The following officers were elected for one year: President, Lyman Beecher Stowe; vice-president, Thurlow M. Gordon; secretary, Richard Knight; treasurer, Harold P. Daniels.

An enthusiastic vote of appreciation and thanks was tendered the retiring officers, President Davenport and his associates. The year has been one of the most successful in the history of the club.



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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 9 Station Square, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

### THE FUTURE OF THE BULLETIN

SINCE September 25, 1915, the FOREST HILLS GARDENS BULLETIN has been published fortnightly without interruption by the Sage Foundation Homes Company. Even when 250 publications were suspended in New York, in October and November, 1919, on account of the printers' strike, the BULLETIN was printed regularly and only once was it necessary to multigraph it. The little paper has tried to be a harmonizing and unifying factor in the village life, and it is evident that the readers appreciate it. The present editor has been grateful that the management has left her free to publish a newspaper and to print constructive editorials.

On the last Saturday each of May, June, July, August and September a number of the BULLETIN will be issued similar to the publication of today. Financially responsible for these summer numbers will be the Sage Foundation Homes Company, the Forest Hills Gardens Homes Company, the Forest Hills Inn, Guyon L. C. Earle, and the Cord Meyer Development Company. The editor will be the same one who has served for the last three years.

Tentative plans are under way to issue an enlarged paper to cover Forest Hills Gardens, Forest Hills and possibly Kew Gardens in October and regularly fortnightly thereafter. This will be done if these communities will support such an enterprise. Write your opinion of the project to The Editor, FOREST HILLS GARDENS BULLETIN.

### SAFETY IN THE STREETS

At the regular meeting of the Community Council, the committee on streets and public utilities was instructed to ask the assistance of the residents and trades-people of Forest Hills and vicinity in improving the traffic conditions on our streets.

The committee believes that it is a matter of sufficient importance to warrant its active consideration, especially before some serious and fatal accident has called attention to conditions here which can be greatly improved.

Under present conditions it is practically impossible to avoid all accidents, but it is possible to avoid many of them. Therefore, the committee requests:

- (1) that you drive carefully and at moderate speed;
- (2) that you avoid letting anyone under lawful age drive your car;
- (3) that you do not drive with your muffler cut out;
- (4) that pedestrians look both ways before crossing;
- (5) that you keep your children from riding bicycles on the streets after dark.

### MRS. ALFRED H. SMITH

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giving has always been done quietly and almost always anonymously. She preferred to give to private charity, but every worthy appeal, public and private, secured her interest. Needy elderly people always found her heart warm for them.

She was the president of the Alfred H. Smith Company and was a keen business woman. She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Vogler and Miss Nellie M. Smith and the children of her son, Dorothy, Alfred H. and Edith.

### SPLENDID SUCCESS

#### The Choral Club Receives an Ovation from the Residents Because of High Grade Concert

The concert of the Forest Hills Choral Club, held on April 22, was such a success that everybody was happy. Bruno Huhn, the energetic and capable conductor, who even when his patience is tried by tardy and irregular attendance at rehearsals, holds his singers to the highest standards,—even he was just one broad grin. Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, the mother of the organization, the woman who carries it on her mind, waking and sleeping, was very proud, as every mother is of an infant prodigy. The officers and all the singers sang the last number "The Omnipotence," by Franz Schubert with hearts overflowing with gladness, because this second concert had apparently met the approval of their friends who applauded enthusiastically.

The program was varied and all of a very high grade. It would have been impossible for this club to give such a program last December. The choral numbers showed the weeks on training and effort. Jewel St. Leger Aldrich's solos were given with vim and it was apparent that her neighbors and friends were with her. Denton Bastow, tenor, who sang last December and again at this last concert, has a well trained voice, of beautiful quality, which he knows how to use. John Palmer, the monologist, gave ten or twelve original numbers, some with the piano and some without, all clever and amusing—his facial expression helping to make the audience convulse with laughter.

#### Card Party

The Choral Club will entertain with a card party on Monday evening, May 1, at the homes of Mrs. Donald G. Clark and Mrs. George H. Merrill, Markwood Road. Tables will be \$5 each and there will be prizes and refreshments for each table.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Women's Club of Forest Hills will hold the annual meeting on May 1, at 2 P. M. at the Inn. Reports of officers and chairmen of committees will be heard. There will be the annual election of officers and the installation. Miss Myrtle Leonard, contralto, will sing with Grover Tilden Davis at the piano.

#### Current Readings Chapter

Donald Ogden Stewart pleased Mrs. Donald G. Clark's guests at her home on Markwood Road, Tuesday afternoon, April 18. Mr. Stewart read from his amusing and clever parodies and delighted the members of the current readings chapter. On May 2, at 2:30 P. M., at the home of Mrs. Lyman Beecher Stowe, Union Turnpike and Greenway South, the members of the current readings chapter will hear Miss Nella Braddy tell of the vital books for the past year and advise what should be read during the coming summer. Miss Braddy is a book reviewer for Doubleday Page Company.

### IS DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT ENDURING?

A month ago at the home of Mrs. E. C. Stokes, before the current readings chapter of the Women's Club, Mrs. George Smart reviewed "Modern Democracies," by Viscount Bryce. A group in the audience, enthusiastic over the importance of the subject and with the desire to give an opportunity to others to hear the review, have asked Mrs. Smart to do it again in the evening, so that the gentlemen may attend. A review of the book, which will bring out new phases of the subject, will be given on Monday evening, May 14, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon Brown, 4 Greenway North. All who