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THE HOME OF JOHN J. SHEHAN

Situated on Ascan Avenue near Greenway South is the inviting Colonial residence of Mr. John J. Shehan illustrated in this number of the "Bulletin."

The hospitable doorway with its Doric column treatment was inspired by one of the best of the beautiful doorways of Salem, Mass. The brickwork is of rough texture, in full range colors of reds and purples, laid up in Flemish bond with wide joints of a creamish grey color.

One of the features of the planting is the hedge on the front of the lot line of hydrangeas, now in full bloom; the blossoms forming a dainty setting for the darker tones of the house.

The interior decorations and woodwork harmonize throughout with the Colonial architectuse of the exterior.

The woodwork is of an old ivory finish. The walls are covered with grass cloth of a rich golden color.

The house was designed and erected by the Sage Foundation Homes Co.

NEW HOUSES

The Homes Company has plans out for the erection of a large number of houses in the block bounded by Ascan Avenue, Greenway South, Summer Street and Winter Street. Excavation has been started for the erection of a group of seven houses in Summer Street, and it is contemplated that in the center of the block there will be erected six free-standing houses and two semi-detached houses facing on an oval opening on Greenway South. Other free-standing houses in the course of erection by the Homes Company are located—one on Deepene Road; one on Shorthill Road; one at the corner of Greenway South and Rockrose Place; one on Puritan Avenue; one on Russell Place, and one on Groton Street.

SCHOOL FACILITIES

Lyman Beecher Stowe has written the following letter to District Superintendent A. C. Perry, Jr., of the Department of Education:

I am instructed by the School Committee of the Forest Hills Taxpayers to write you in relation to the situation with which we are faced in the matter of school accommodations in Forest Hills.

In P. S. 101, room No. 1 contains grades 5A, 5B, 6A and 6B; the present register is 33, seating capacity 34; room No. 2 contains grades 1A, 1B and 2A; the present register is 36, seating capacity 39. The normal increase for this room next September would be, I am informed, about 15 which you will see would give us an excess of 12 pupils for this room. Room No. 3 contains grades 2B, 3A, 3B and 4B; the present register is 41, seating capacity is 39. I am informed that the normal increase for this room, next September, would be 5 to 8; consequently the present excess of two would be increased by that amount.

I understand that substantially the same condition exists in P. S. No. 3, north side of the town. This takes no account of the fact that 12 to 15 children in the town of Forest Hills are already being sent away to other schools owing to the inadequacy of our accommodations. Such being the case, we respectfully urge that at least two additional rooms be added to each school, unless you should find it advisable to carry out the plan of organization discussed last April in which case one additional room for each school would presumably be sufficient for the present.

As you know the temporary building in which P. S. 101 is located has recently been partially destroyed by fire. Since considerable outlay will be necessary in order to put this building into usable condition it occurs to us that it would be wise to add to this sum a sufficient amount for adequate accommodations so far as P. S. 101 is concerned.

We are quite aware that the Board of Education is greatly restricted in the matter of funds and our association would be only too glad to lend you our hearty co-operation and backing in any application that the Board of Education might make to the Board of Estimate for the funds necessary to give us the accommodations, to which we feel we are reasonably entitled.

Thanking you for your kind interest and co-operation in the past and trusting you will not hesitate to call upon us if we can be of service, I remain.

BETTER WATER SERVICE

The Citizens' Water Supply Co. is putting in a twelve-inch connection for the Gardens' water supply, taking the place of the six-inch one that has supplied us before. This will give a larger supply and greater pressure in case of fire, as well as providing for the large number of new connections required by the erection of so many new houses.

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FLIES

Heavy Breeding at Goldberg's and the City Dumps
 By M. J. Folensbee

Judging from the number of flies on the wing we are making extermination progress backward. Answering the question, "Where do they come from?" the answer is, from the City Garbage Dumps in the vicinity, from stables, and from many garbage cans.

For example, an uncovered can in Forest Hills Gardens left by a vacationist contained sufficient fly larva, which, if allowed to mature, would have kept the neighbors swatting flies all Summer. Be careful. Violations of the Health Code are reported at once to headquarters at Jamaica. Close inspection reveals the fact that many of our housewives or servants are negligent about keeping the cans clean, with the result that breeding continues in the accumulations in the can. A newspaper in the bottom will remedy the trouble.

Through the kindness of one of our civic workers, 250 free sample cans of chlorinated lime were distributed to the residents of Forest Hills and Kew Gardens. Its use as directed positively prevents flies from breeding.

That notoriously unsanitary place of H. Goldberg's on Metropolitan Avenue is being cleaned up. Items: One large manure heap alive with fly larva near pasteurizing plant to be sprayed and removed; partially covered cesspool containing one dead goat, fly and mosquito breeding to be filled; one overflowing cesspool near house to be cleaned; foul pool 150'x40' near house breeding mosquitoes to be filled; one foul pool 70'x30' containing garbage and one dead duck, fly and mosquito breeding to be filled. The places have been reported to the New York Health Board and are under close scrutiny of James McDonald of the Food Supply Department and the local inspector. Failure to obey the law will result in court proceedings.

At the foot of Seminole avenue, on the property of the Cord Meyer Company, all the garbage from the vicinity is dumped. The condition of the place is similar to that at Myrtle Avenue, Corona, and the old stone quarry dump at Kew Gardens. This is the system: The owner of the property has a depression which if filled will increase in value, the Borough of Queens has only one incinerator and the garbage must be disposed of somewhere cheaply; in summer there are very few ashes to cover the garbage; for the privilege of "picking" the dump the

care and burden of purchasing proper and sufficient disinfectant rests with a common laborer, naturally an insufficient amount is used. For example—a solution of phenoil 1 to 100 was being used on the local dump while the correct specifications calls for a 1 to 8 solution. At the Corona Dump, where seven loads are brought daily, 1-8 oz. 25c bottle of "C. N." is used every two days. The result is that the flies hatch prolifically and the poor housewife less than a quarter mile away begins and ends the day in a "Swatting Fest."

The Borough Street Cleaning Department has co-operated with us in partially remedying conditions. On an inspection trip made July 21st, Superintendent Daniel Enholt issued orders that the dumps be covered regularly with earth and proper and sufficient disinfectant used. Also garbage will henceforth be collected on Augustine Place and North Villa Street, Kew Gardens, where formally it was deposited locally.

We still have hopes.

STORES CHANGE LOCATION

Miss Mary O'Reilly will move her notion shop to the room in the Station Square now occupied by the Forest Hills Market, as soon as it can be refitted after the present tenant vacates. The Forest Hills Market will relocate their butcher shop on the corner of Windsor and Austin Streets. Thos. H. Swain will move his plumbing establishment to one of the new stores on Continental Avenue between Austin Street and Hoffman Boulevard. Henry Muller, the grocer, will move to the store at the corner of Austin Street and Continental Avenue.

HOME DEFENSE LEAGUE

The Forest Hills Company of the Home Defense League has been recruited to 85 members. It is hoped to bring the number up to one hundred by September, when a drill master will be furnished by the Police Department. Ferd Neumer, 33 Fife Street, is the recruiting officer for the North Side, and Edmund O'Shea, 334 Burns Street, for the Gardens. All who are willing to serve should send in their names at once.

BASEBALL

Our local fans are looking eagerly to the game this afternoon at the Gardens Club grounds between the crack Englewood Field Club and the Forest Hills team. This is the first home game in the Amateur League Series since June 24th.

The games for August are as follows:

August 5th—Newfield Athletic Club at Forest Hills.

August 12th—Englewood Field Club at Englewood.

August 19th—Montclair Athletic Club at Montclair.

August 26th—Englewood Field Club at Forest Hills.

Mrs. Selover is visiting with her sister in Buffalo.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Croy and baby are spending a few weeks in Maine.

Mrs. F. K. Seward and children are at Monument Beach, Me., for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Maloney are living in the Murray Brown house for the summer.

Dr. and Mrs. S. E. Davenport, Jr., and children, are enjoying a vacation at Northampton, Mass.

LOST:—Muzzle belonging to Rex Jagoe. Finder will kindly return same to 206 Greenway North.

Joseph French, the New York representative of Lloyds, has purchased the house, No. 42 Greenway Terraces.

Our commuters notice a large increase in travel to Manhattan by way of Hunterspoint and the Queensboro Subway.

Attention is again called to the desirability of purchasing monthly tickets and mileage books at the local station.

The Continental Avenue Garage, at the corner of Continental Avenue and Austin Street, opened for business today.

Robert Burns Mantle, the well known dramatic critic, has purchased a house in the Gardens and will locate here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Van Name, of 27 Wendover Road, will spend the months of August at Lake George and Saratoga Springs.

C. Clifford Miller has moved into the house on Continental Avenue which he recently purchased from Boardman Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Close are at Cape Cod for a short vacation. Their two children are staying meanwhile at Dr. Chalmers'.

The grand stands at the West Side Tennis Club are about complete for the East and West championship games on August 4th and 5th.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman B. Baker attended the "homecoming" reception given to Warden Thomas Mott Osborne, at Sing Sing prison.

The work of paving Ascan Avenue from Ingram Street to the Club is temporarily suspended awaiting the arrival of a shipment of crushed stone.

Dr. Paul Barrett is in McAllen, Texas, with the medical corps of the militia. His name has figured in a complimentary way in several recent dispatches.

F. K. Seward has returned from an extended fishing trip on Commodore E. C. Benedict's yacht "Oneida." The report, as yet unconfirmed, is that the party caught one and one-half tons of sea bass.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Jagoe, of the McAlpin Hotel, New York City, have taken the H. B. Jagoe house for the summer, while Mr. and Mrs. Jagoe and family are in Canada.

THE INN

After an extended trip as far west as Minneapolis, Mr. and Mrs. Owen have returned to the Inn.

His old friends are glad to see John B. Gannon back at the Inn.

R. C. Hupp and family, of Detroit, have rented the home of Harry Hoffman in Kew Gardens, and Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman have come to the Inn for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. M. Salmon and daughters, of London, England, are located at the Inn for the present, but have purchased a house in the Gardens and expect to make their home here. Mr. Salmon is connected with the Lloyds.

John Glenn, of Baltimore, spent last week with his uncle, John M. Glenn, and Mrs. Glenn, at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Lindsay and Mrs. Lindsay's mother Mrs. MacSloy, will spend the balance of the summer at the Inn. Mr. Lindsay is manager of the Colony Club, at the Waldorf Astoria.

Misses Julia and Sylvia Allen, with their niece, Mrs. D. Maynard and Mrs. Maynard's little son, will make their home at the Inn until September.

NEW ARRIVAL

Susan Beverly, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Lester Harriss, Slocum Crescent, on July 20th.

VAN RIPER-FURBISH

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robert Furbish, of No. 7 Greenway Terraces, have issued cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Beatrice Alice, to Mr. Kenneth Bradford Van Riper, of New York, on Thursday, July 20th.

NOTICE.

The Fourth of July Celebration Committee announces that some of the costumes supplied to members of the committee have not yet been returned.

THOSE RETAINING THESE COSTUMES WILL PLEASE RETURN THEM AT ONCE to 27 Greenway Terraces.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond P. Kaighn, of Seasongood Road, will spend August and part of September at Silver Bay, on Lake George.

Mr. and Mrs. Edw. H. Mays and their three daughters have returned from a visit to West Barrington, R. I.

Miss Mabel Brewer is on a trip to Beaupre, Canada.

Another wild west story from the City of New York! A wild cotton tail rabbit has taken up her abode and proceeded to bring up her family of five youngsters in the shrubbery in the Price yard on Greenway South.

MOSQUITO PEST ON THE WANE

By Inspector, M. J. Folensbee

For the past two weeks the fight against mosquitos has been pushed with renewed vigor. At this writing there seems to be a still further reduction in the number of mosquitos present. A ditch in the lowland near Kelvin Street leading from a storm water sewer outlet containing a big brood of *C. Pipiens* or House Mosquitos, was oiled and cleaned before they got on the wing. A house to house inspection of Forest Hills development made July 13th failed to reveal any remaining mosquito breeding. All breeding places previously found found were under control. We are justly proud of this record.

Since the last issue of the Bulletin, Flushing and Kew Gardens have joined us in the work. The Association at Flushing is fortunate indeed to secure the services of J. E. Elmendorf, Rutgers '14, who has had five years' experience in mosquito extermination work under the Union County and the Middlesex County, N. J., Commissions. The work in Kew Gardens is being handled by W. H. Dumont, Rutgers '18, who is working under the supervision of the local inspector. Thus practically all of the territory including Flushing, Corona, Elmhurst, Glendale, Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Richmond Hill, and a portion of Jamaica will be covered.

Standard 15 minute night collections at Olivia Park, Greenway Terrace and at corner of Gown and Seminole Avenue reveal a 50% reduction in the number of mosquitos taken over the results a month ago. In a total of 21 mosquitos taken in 45 minutes only 3 were *Culex Pipiens*.

Report all breeding within 4 miles to the inspector—'phone Forest Hills 6200.

CARD PARTY

The Musical Art Society held an afternoon card party recently at the Forest Hills Club. Mrs. Ernst Mecabe was Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements. Music was furnished by Miss Marion Paull, Miss Maida Birmingham, and Miss Adelaide Krueger. The proceeds netted over \$50, and the affair was so successful in every way that another one is planned for the latter part of August.

GIRL SCOUTS

At the ball park this afternoon the Girl Scouts will have a refreshment stand. They will tempt the "fans" with home-made fudge, fruit punch of special brew, and lemonade of the real circus variety. The first output of their basketry class will also be offered for sale. The proceeds go to purchase regular army canteens to be given as prizes to the scouts for reading a certain number of selected books.

Prizes have been offered for the best note books kept by the scouts on their outings and hikes.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 9.30 o'clock. Ascan Avenue, near Queens Boulevard.

St. Luke's Episcopal—Sunday mornings. Holy Communion at 8 o'clock. Sermon at 11 o'clock. Evensong at 5 P. M. St. Luke's Chapel. Greenway South, near Ascan Avenue.

Church-in-the-Gardens—Sunday mornings. Combined church and Sunday school service at 11 A. M. Prayer meeting Thursdays at 8 P. M. Greenway North and Ascan Avenue.

Church of Forest Hills (undenominational)—Regular preaching services each Sunday at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 10 A. M. Prayer meeting Wednesdays at 8 P. M. Seminole Avenue and Gown Street, North Side.

CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS

During July Dr. Kent has been preaching a series of out-of-door sermons: "At the Seashore"; "By the Well with Jesus"; "A Lesson from the Wheat Field"; "A Sabbath Walk Through the Field of Grain." He will preach next Sunday.

The services have been so well attended during July that it is the plan to continue them through August.

A choir seat encircling the chancel is one of the additions being made to the church in connection with the installation of the organ. The next thing will be a choir to enrich the service. Mr. Gallagher is rendering a much appreciated service as precentor.

Dr. Kent is planning to spend August at his bungalow at Paradise Point on the Peconic Bay near Southold. Among his vacation plans is a trip in his motor boat "Louise" from Blue Point to Paradise Point, about sixty miles.

The Social Room is proving a very comfortable place for the services while work is being done in the church.

"PLAYGROUND CLOSED"

Ann Smith, Director

Means that we are "playing safe" during the epidemic that is sweeping nearby vicinities; and, "playing safe" means that the children are playing in small groups within the boundaries of Forest Hills Gardens. But the boundaries of the Gardens hold many surprises, and with the aid of a play-leader the children are carrying out many explorations. They have found that under the trees of the Village Green is a cool place for story telling; that Olivia Park has plenty of space for folk dancing; and that the gifts of "Mother Nature" to the children of Forest Hills are plentiful. These groups are forming into Clubs. There is a Girls Nature Club; the Junior Girls Club; the Forest Hills Junior Baseball Club; and the Midgets Baseball Team; and a few more to come. Already the two ball teams have had a game—the score 8-7 in favor of the former.

When the sign reads "Playground Opened," we are going to have our groups ready for athletic team work, and for our athletic badge contest. But, we need "rooters." Will the "grown ups" come to our "Big Day"? Then they will see what we are doing at present and what we are going to do at play in the future.