

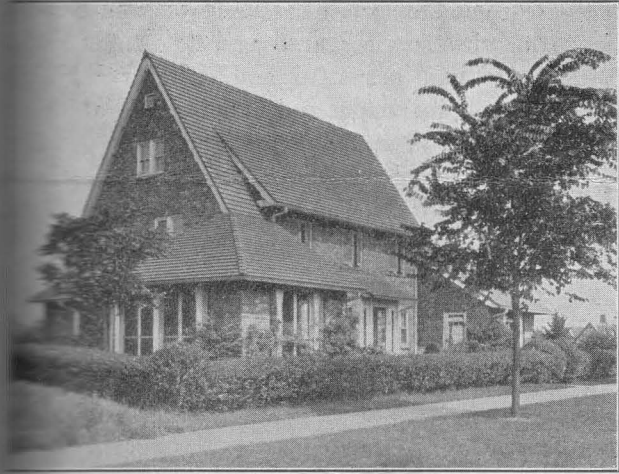
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HOME OF WILLIAM J. LEONARD.

The house herewith illustrated is situated on the corner of Ascan Avenue and Russell Place. Built of the rough texture brick known as "Lammie" with a well designed central entrance flanked on each side by a porch of brick and tile and in thorough keeping with the best of designs, this home is one of the show places in "The Gardens." The house was erected by the Homes Company from the designs of Eric & Lindeberg, Architects, and consists of nine rooms and two baths. The enclosed breakfast porch is paved with tile and heated.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The Gardens Club tennis tournament is reaching the finals amid considerable interest. Ernest Bristol will play the winner of the Pough-Vanderveer match for the championship in Class C, while Ernest Beabe will play the winner of the Davenport-McNeal match in the finals in Class A and B.

COOKERY CLASS.

The Girl Scouts will meet today for the first session of the Cookery Class. Miss Mildred Bishop, a graduate of Pratt Institute, Domestic Science Department, and a teacher of this branch in the city schools, will conduct the class.

WARDEN OSBORNE WILL SPEAK.

Thomas Mott Osborne will speak at the Gardens Club on a date to be announced later. It will probably be during the last week in October. This will be under the auspices of the Forest Hills Committee of the New York Prison Council.

PRIMARY ELECTION.

At the Forest Hills election district there were 98 Democratic votes, 54 Republican and 13 Progressive. There were no Socialist, Prohibition or Independence League voters. For Governor the Republicans gave Whitman 42 to Bennet 11, and for Senator, Bacon 40 to Calder 12. Congressman Caldwell polled 81 votes against 14 for Patten. For Governor the Progressives gave Seabury 2 and Whitman 11.

GRAPE ARBOR.

Probably the prize grape arbor in the Gardens is at the residence of C. E. Kloetzer, 51 Wendover Road. One side hangs heavy with beautiful white grapes, while the other has almost as plentiful a supply of concords. We regret that it was impossible to get a picture of it to reproduce in our columns.

SCHOOL MATTERS.

The public school situation is not reaching a satisfactory solution. The one grain of comfort is that the contract for the repairs of the partially burned building has been let. The following letter from Superintendent A. C. Perry, Jr., sets forth the problem we have to meet. It is expected that the Taxpayers' Association will take vigorous action this year.

"We are obliged of course to deal with school problems under the conditions of administration as we find them. I know of no community for which, of recent years, money has been forthcoming for the erection of school buildings in advance of pressing need for them. Personally, I wish it were possible to anticipate needs so that school buildings might be erected in time to take care of increase of school enrollment as it develops. The present Board of Estimate and Apportionment seems to be definitely committed to the policy of relieving school congestion by the installation of duplicate schools rather than building along traditional lines. As compared with many other sections of the city, the 'congestion' at Forest Hills is insignificant, and it is in the light of the general city situation that the Forest Hills problem must be dealt with. I suggest that your Association get vigorously behind the proposition made repeatedly by Local School Board No. 42 for the erection of a permanent building on the site already owned by the city at Colonial Avenue, Livingston and Meteor Streets. I think you have just as much chance of putting this through as of getting temporary relief by portable buildings, and you will be working toward the proper ultimate solution of the problem. In the meanwhile we must get along as best we may at No. 3 and No. 101; and if it becomes necessary to establish part-time there, we have just that much leverage on the permanent solution."

The Big Sisters of Forest Hills are in urgent need of clothes for their poor. Anyone having anything to donate can leave it at the Sales Office labeled "Big Sisters."

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The local Prison Committee will conduct one or two trips to Sing Sing Prison during the fall.

The Continental Avenue Garage has taken the agency for the Hupmobile and Stearns-Knight cars.

Misses Anna and Ethel Price, of 145 Greenway South, have returned from a vacation spent at Marblehead, Mass.

Miss May MacCormack, of Tacoma, Washington, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Ryan, 135 Slocum Crescent.

Miss Isabel Buckingham, of New York City, is making her home at the Inn, and is prepared to take a limited number of piano pupils; also to accompany the voice.

William C. Cabanne, who is connected with the Metro Film Co., of Los Angeles, Cal., has rented the house of C. Gordon Pearce, 118 Dartmouth street, for the winter.

GIRL SCOUT LIBRARY.

The following titles have been added to the Girl Scout Library. Copies of these books are urgently solicited from any who may be interested. They will be called for if notice is sent to Mrs. Norman B. Baker (Phone 6216-R.):

Fiction (Junior)—Alice in Wonderland (Lewis Carroll); Tanglewood Tales (Nathaniel Hawthorne); Little Lord Fauntleroy (Frances H. Burnett); Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm (Kate Douglas Wiggin); Hans Brinker (Mary Mapes Dodge); When Patty Went to College (Jean Webster); For the Honor of the School (Ralph H. Barbour); Captain January (Laura E. Richards); Grimm's Fairy Tales.

Fiction—Dickens' Works; Lorna Doone (Blackmore); Little Minister (J. M. Barrie); John Halifax, Gentleman (Miss Muloch); The Lady of the Decoration (A. H. Rice); Freckles (Gene Stratton Porter); Day's Work—Stalky & Co. (Rudyard Kipling); Vicar of Wakefield (Oliver Goldsmith); Uncle Tom's Cabin (Harriett Beecher Stowe); Ben Hur (Lew Wallace).

Animal Stories—Wild Animals I Have Known; The Autobiography of a Grizzly (Ernest Thompson Seton); Bob, Son of Battle (Alfred Oliphant); The Bar Sinister (Richard Harding Davis); Greyfriar's Bobby; Black Beauty (A. Sewall); The Jungle Books—Just So Stories (Rudyard Kipling); Uncle Remus (Joel Chandler Harris).

Tales of Adventure—Swiss Family Robinson; Robinson Crusoe (Daniel Defoe); Adventures of Robin Hood; Careers of Danger and Daring (Cleveland Moffett); Treasure Island (Robert Louis Stevenson); Kidnapped (Robert Louis Stevenson); Tom Sawyer—Huckleberry Finn (Mark Twain); Around the World in Eighty Days (Jules Verne).

Poetry—Hiawatha—Evangeline—Tales of a Wayside Inn (Henry W. Longfellow); Rime of the Ancient Mariner (J. T. Coleridge); Marmion—Lady of the Lake (Sir Walter Scott); Visions of Sir Launfal (James R. Lowell); Idylls of the King (Alfred, Lord Tennyson).

A sale of homemade cakes, jellies, etc., will be held in connection with the bridge party to be held by the women of Our Lady of Martyrs Church at the Forest Hills Club on Friday, September 29th.

Archdeacon Nichols, Vicar of St. Luke's Mission, in the Gardens, expects to resume work on Sunday, the 24th, with services at 8 and 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. He had a restful and delightful holiday among friends in Boston and vicinity, and at Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard, Mass., where he was Rector of St. Andrews-by-the-Sea for six summers. Quite unexpectedly he was asked to supply the little church for two Sundays and received a very warm welcome.

MASONS ORGANIZED.

A Masonic Lodge F. and A. M. has been organized in Forest Hills to meet on the first and third Monday of each month. All brothers are cordially invited to attend communications and assist in making the home Lodge a place where visiting brothers as well as members can enjoy a pleasant evening. The following officers will endeavor to further the brotherly feeling and welcome of the fraternity: John Miller, Master; R. White, Senior Warden; A. Treu, Junior Warden; R. Burns, Treasurer; E. A. Dowe, Secretary; J. A. Scott, Senior Deacon; A. N. Gates, Junior Deacon; J. F. Paul, Chaplain; Thos. C. Cantrell, Marshall; H. W. Thomas, R. A. Clinchy, and A. Wessman, Trustees; C. H. Ames, Master Ceremony; C. M. Smith, Junior Master Ceremony; H. Mandeville, Senior Steward; L. E. B. Conklin, Junior Steward; V. Hattemer, Tiler.

ANTI-MOSQUITO MEETING.

The work of the Anti-Mosquito Committee of the Taxpayers' Association was presented at the meeting last week. The concensus of opinion of those present was that, through the efforts of our inspector, the home-bred mosquitos had been practically eliminated; that the drainage of the Jamaica marshes had greatly reduced the salt marsh invasions; and that the number of flies had been decreased by half. A resolution was passed voicing appreciation of the splendid work of Inspector M. J. Folensbee. G. L. C. Earle reported receipts of \$914.61, with a balance on hand of 74c and all bills paid. \$1,000 will be needed for the year's campaign to begin at once. The finance committee will begin the canvas for funds at an early date. Harold P. Daniels was elected Treasurer to succeed Mr. Earle. W. P. McCulloch was elected Vice Chairman of the Committee. Parts of Mr. Folensbee's report are published in this issue.

The Curtis family have returned to their Puritan home.

P. H. Brown has rented the house at 45 Ingram street, formerly occupied by Mrs. Kuttner.

The Seward family has returned from Monmouth Beach, Mass., where they spent the summer.

Dr. Thos. C. Chalmers and family have gone to Lake Winnepesaukee, N. H., for a two weeks' visit.

In the August number of "Architecture" is an interesting illustrated article on Forest Hills Gardens, by Charles C. May.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Demarest have been enjoying a visit from Mr. Demarest's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Demarest, of New Orleans, La.

The marriage of Gardiner Osborne and Miss Margaret Robinson, of New Haven, Conn., both well known in the Gardens, is announced for October 4th.

Thomas F. Swain has opened a real estate and insurance office, in connection with his plumbing establishment, on Continental Avenue, near Austin Street.

Dean Kirchway, of Columbia University, and recently Warden of Sing Sing Prison, has rented for two years the house at 53 Underwood Road belonging to Swinburne Hale.

An oil painting of Geraldine Claypoole, entitled "Denie," is on exhibition at the Inn and attracting much favorable comment. The artist is Lyman Boney, of Forest Hills.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Andem, of Cupey, Cuba, were recent visitors to the Gardens. Mr. Andem is Chief Engineer for one of the largest sugar companies on the Island.

An Art Study Class, with a series of ten lectures on painting and sculpture, will be organized by the Women's Club provided a registration of thirty members is secured by November 1st. The fee will be \$5.00.

The Women's Club will present a series of public lectures at the Church-in-the-Gardens during the winter. Mrs. Beatrice Forbes-Robertson Hale, Arthur Guberman, B. B. Kendrick, and Homer Croy have been announced as speakers.

The baseball season closed last Saturday with the game between the Forest Hills and Montclair Clubs, which was won by the latter by a score of 7 to 2. The final standing places Englewood first, Montclair second, and Forest Hills third. This is the second season that Englewood has won the pennant.

A recent issue of the "Outlook" contains an interesting article on Booker T. Washington, by E. J. Scott and Lyman Beecher Stowe. These writers were commissioned by Mr. Washington shortly before his death to write the story of his life and work. Their book will appear in October.

THE INN.

Mrs. Frances T. Seale has returned to the Inn for a stay of a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Messenger are home at the Inn for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Skipp arrived home Sunday evening.

Miss Adele Shaw has returned full of plans for the winter.

Mrs. Wilson Woodrow is spending a couple of weeks at the Inn.

The interesting family of James French, consisting of Mrs. French and four young daughters, reached this country from Glasgow, Scotland, on Saturday last, and are established at the Inn. Mr. French, who represents Lloyd's shipping interests in New York, has bought the house at 42 Greenway Terraces, and expects to make his home in Forest Hills Gardens.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Dana and their son, Gordon, will spend a few weeks of the autumn at the Inn.

Harry Howarth, Manager of the Real Estate Department of the Long Island R. R., will be at the Inn for a few weeks.

Miss Jean Gannon, of New Orleans, La., is visiting her brother, J. B. Gannon at the Inn. She has been in the north all summer, dividing her time between White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., and Narragansett Pier.

Miss Martha Williams spent the week-end at Asbury Park.

Mrs. Benjamin Halsey and children have returned to their home after a summer spent near Patterson, N. J.

The fields near the Gardens Club are filled with golden rod. Quantities of it are being sent to city folks to bring them a touch of the great out of doors.

The extension of the Metropolitan Avenue street car line has been delayed by a disagreement between the company and the city authorities as to the kind of pavement to be used.

George Sherman Richards has presented to St. Luke's Chapel a beautifully carved oak litany desk in memory of Bishop Dudley, of Maryland, and of Catherine Dudley Richards.

Miss Harriett Ware has resigned as director of the Musical Art Society. If enough people are interested, it is proposed to organize a Musical Club to give one or two concerts during the season.

Miss Letice Drope, of Harwood, Ontario, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. P. McCulloch, Rockrose Place. Miss Drope is studying music in New York and will sing tomorrow morning at the Church of Forest Hills (North Side).

COMING EVENTS.

Friday, September 29th, 2:30 P. M. Forest Hills Club. Bridge Party. Benefit of Our Lady of Martyrs Church. Prizes for each table. Tickets 75c.

Wednesday, October 4th, 3:30 P. M., at the Church-in-the-Gardens, opening meeting of the Women's Club.

Friday, October 13th, 2:30 P. M. Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. Meeting of Women's Guild. Mrs. Ward J. MacNeal and Mrs. Benj. B. Kendrick, hostesses.

Monday, November 16th, 2 P. M. Residence of Rufus G. Angell. First meeting of English Literature Class of Women's Club. Subject—John Galsworthy.

FLY EXTERMINATION.

M. J. Follensbee.

In connection with the work of mosquito extermination an active campaign against the common house fly has been in progress during the entire Summer. Probably sixty per cent. of all the flies on the wing in this vicinity are bred in stable manure. With that in mind all the stables and dairies within a radius of two miles were regularly inspected once each week. Recommendations and requests made that all manure be kept in cans and removed regularly or placed in covered bins. Manure in piles to be regularly spread with a solution of Borax, three pounds to five gallons of water; or sprinkled with Chlorinated Lime. This was carried into effect by the majority of the stables in the vicinity, although with regard to the dairies along Yellowstone Avenue and in sections of Middle Village and Maspeth but little co-operations could be gained and the Health Department was slow about enforcing the various sections of the Sanitary Code which covers this nuisance.

It was found by house-to-house inspection that a great many of the garbage cans in Forest Hills were heavy fly breeders. Garbage sticking to the sides of the bottom of the can not being removed was the cause of the trouble. In each case the owners were requested to thoroughly clean the same or to disinfect with Chlorinated Lime.

One of the worst fly-breeding places in the section is the garbage dump situated near the foot of Seminole Avenue, Forest Hills. Here all the garbage from Kew Gardens and a portion of Richmond Hill and Forest Hills is dumped. Only one gallon of phenoil was used per week, being totally uneffective. A number of inspections have been made of this dump by the Superintendent of Street Cleaning Department, but to date little has been accomplished, due to the fact that the laborer in charge is not under the supervision of the city, but operates it privately on which account the Street Cleaning Department will not furnish disinfectant. The owners likewise have declined to do so. The dump maintained thus is a positive menace to the health of this community and a prolific fly-breeder. It is recommended that dumping be discontinued here between the first of May and the first of November each year. Disinfecting this dump with three gallons of Cresol or Phenoil per day with total earth covering once each week would put the dump in sanitary condition.

A similar condition exists at most of the City dumps in the Borough. There are approximately fifty of these garbage dumps in Queens Borough and until provision is made for the disposal of garbage by properly constructed incinerators this whole vicinity will be infested by flies coming from this source. It is estimated by the Superintendent of the Street Cleaning Department that five 100-ton incinerators should be constructed at a cost of \$100,000 each with a unit operating cost of \$20,000 a year.

It is very important that during the coming year the work be continued; that thorough inspection be made of every possible fly-breeding place within a radius of two miles and that prompt enforcement of the various sections of the Sanitary Code be demanded of the Health Department.

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. Morning service 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.

The work of installing the organ is drawing near a close and it is expected that services in the main auditorium will be resumed the first Sunday in October.

A suggestion that the Church be provided with a dozen tables for use at the annual dinner and similar occasions was met by an offer of Mr. Flint to make them during the summer, Mr. Buckley volunteering to pay for the material and Mr. Rea the freight. The tables are here.

The first service of the Church-in-the-Gardens was held on the thirteenth of October, four years ago. It is proposed to make the third Sunday of October, the Sunday nearest the anniversary date, a rally Sunday for Sunday School and congregation.

People are returning from their vacations and the congregation is getting back to its normal size. It is hoped that all who can will be present at the communion the first Sunday in October.

Plans are being made to celebrate in 1920 the tercentenary of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers. A conference of secretaries and other officers of missionary organizations was held in the Social Room all day Thursday of this week.

WOMEN'S CLUB.

The opening meeting of the Women's Club will take the form of a President's tea from 3:30 to 5:30, Wednesday, October 4, in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens.

The President, Mrs. A. M. Gray, will be glad to welcome new and old members of the club.

BOY SCOUTS.

"Welcome the coming, speed the parting scouts."

A number of the "Gardens variety" are beginning to hike back to camp. The scoutmaster is on the ground.

Scout Goudy left this week for Tennessee Military Academy, Sweetwater, Tenn.

On the advice of scout officials, the troop will not resume regular meetings until about Oct. 1st.