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FOREIGN RELATIONS

Delightful, Instructive and Inspiring Address Given by the Hon. George W. Wickersham

Church-in-the-Gardens Filled to Hear Distinguished Attorney on this Important Subject— Community House Benefit

"There must be intelligent public sentiment in regard to our foreign affairs," said the Hon. George W. Wickersham, as he approached the conclusion in his address on "Our Foreign Relations" before a large audience in the Church-in-the-Gardens, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 19. His final message was, "The League of Nations has provided a forum for the expression of public opinion and has given an opportunity to reach international decisions, based on truth and justice."

Mr. Wickersham was given enthusiastic applause for "his scholarly, delightful, instructive and inspiring address," as Lawrence F. Abbott, the chairman of the evening, said. Then the opportunity for asking questions was given and S. W. Eckman said: "When should we recognize Russia?" Mr. Wickersham replied: "We should recognize Russia when the government there truly represents the Russian people—we should not recognize the present government." Lyman Becher Stowe inquired: "Is a new association of nations feasible or would it be better for us to enter the present League of Nations?" Mr. Wickersham's answer was: "It is better and more practicable for us to enter the present League of Nations where 49 nations are working together and to try to modify it from within."

In the course of his address the speaker reviewed the history of our country from the beginning, showing the indifference to foreign relations until our war with Spain, when the subject was thrust upon us. Then he spoke of the World War and our part in it, in sending 2,000,000 men overseas. The whole world was affected. Then came the duty of the peace delegates whose task was the most difficult ever given to men in a similar position. The horror of war must be averted for all time. The United States delegates came home and the Treaty of Versailles was submitted to the Senate. The League, and particularly Article 10, became the point of attack. The soldiers came home wanting nothing more to do with Europe and the animosity to the League grew until the election. The speaker went over the provisions of the Treaty of Versailles and then paid a tribute to it because 41 nations with eight others invited to participate met, in assembly, for three weeks. "An amazing thing," he said. He covered the Court of Justice, disarmament and private manufacture of munitions.

He also spoke of the Japanese and Mexican questions.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Men's and Women's Clubs and the proceeds go to the Community House.

SPLENDID BIT OF PHILANTHROPY

The Red Cross Branch of Forest Hills, through the vote of its executive committee, has sent to the European Relief Council, \$2,000. Herbert Hoover is directing the work of the Relief Council, and Franklin K. Lane is treasurer. Smaller donations have gone from individuals and organizations in Forest Hills, but this larger amount can help very much in relieving the condition of starving people in Europe.

LANTERNS AND COSTUMES

Some of the lanterns and costumes used on Christmas Eve are still missing. Will any one holding these please return them to the office of the Sage Foundation Homes Company, 9 Station Square.



HOME OF BASIL D'EMO.

Pictured above is the home of Basil D'Emo, located on the corner of Continental Avenue and Groton Street. The heavy planting and its location in such a thickly wooded section form a pleasing setting to the white trim and stucco facing of the house. Robert Farrington was the architect.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Representatives of Various Organizations of the Community to Compose Such a Board

The following is a resolution which was presented by the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting of the Church-in-the-Gardens, Jan. 21, 1921. It was adopted.

"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.

"It is recommended that the personnel of this committee consist of nineteen members, including six representing activities in the Church-in-the-Gardens,—(Trustees, Church Committee, Women's Guild, Young People's Society, Sunday School, Pastor); one from each of the six leading non-religious organizations in the community,—(Community Council, Men's Club, Women's Club, Gardens Players, Mothers' Club, Boy Scouts); one from each of the four other churches in the community,—(Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Church of Forest Hills and the Christian Science Church), and the remaining members to complete the nineteen, to be selected as representing the community at large. It is further recommended that each of the organizations to be represented be asked to nominate its own representative on this committee."

BABIES HELPED

At the benefit bridge, given at the home of Mrs. Edward Willard Holland, 56 Shorthill Road, Jan. 14, \$160 was raised for the Infantorium, 509 East 77 Street, New York.

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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.

THOROUGH INVESTIGATION

THE Citizens' Water Supply Company has announced an increased water rate for Forest Hills; the Community Council has protested and has asked the Chamber of Commerce of Queens to thoroughly investigate the whole question. These are the facts up to date.

Forest Hills is a part of the City of New York. Twice a year we are painfully aware of that fact when we pay our taxes. Those taxes are high and we do not get all we should in the form of public education and in many other ways in return for the high tax rate. It is manifestly unfair that we should pay more for our water than other parts of New York.

This is a question involving many angles of a serious situation. The investigation has been put in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce of Queens, which has a membership approaching 1000. The question will be submitted to the Board of Directors, of the Chamber, at its next meeting. This inquiry, step by step, ought to be most thorough; the citizens and taxpayers of Forest Hills deserve it. Then as the investigation progresses, the facts and figures ought to be made public, so that all may know. The residents of Forest Hills demand all possible publicity.

We do not wish to see our streets torn up to lay new pipes. These streets are built substantially and well so that they may last for many, many years. Visitors have come here from all over the world to see the engineering and construction of the streets of Forest Hills Gardens—yes, even from Rome, the city of eternal streets. But we do want justice!

CIVIC PRIDE

THE civic committee of the Women's Club is very active in working for a cleaner village. It is a voluntary, almost thankless undertaking of theirs, zoning the town, offering a prize for the best kept district and in every way appealing to our pride to help to keep Forest Hills in the very best order. What the members ask us to do will take a little time and thought. Garbage cans, ash cans and loose papers add nothing to the beauty of our lovely village. Let us remove the cans from the side walk and so securely wrap our papers that they will not blow away. The architects, engineers and landscape gardeners have done much to make this town a place to delight the eye. Let the villagers do nothing to mar the harmony and order of the whole scene.

It is none too soon to plan the spring and summer garden. That is the best way to utilize and beautify the vacant lots. When millions are starving in Europe, the Near East and China, it behooves every

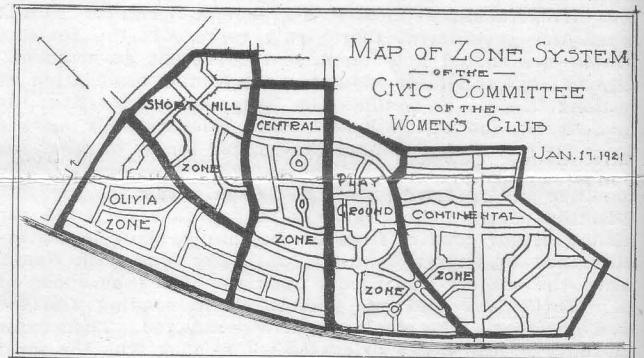
one, with any kind of humanitarian spirit here, to do what he can to raise fresh vegetables for his own family. We suggest that the civic committee give a prize for the most productive and most beautiful vegetable garden in the village next summer.

CIVIC COMMITTEE

Active Group is Trying to Improve Conditions in the Entire Village

For the purposes of the contest for the prize offered by the Women's Club, which was discussed in the last issue of the BULLETIN, the civic committee has divided Forest Hills into zones. There will be nine or ten zones in all, and that zone which is kept the cleanest and complies most fully with the regulations of the Department of Health of the City of New York, will, at the end of the year, receive a prize. The Gardens has been divided into five zones—the remaining zones lying on the north side of the track. The names of the zones in the Gardens are: Continental, Playground, Central, Olivia and Shorthill.

A perusal of the accompanying map will show you in which zone you live. Get together with your zone neighbors and prepare for the contest. The civic committee would like the names of men and women who will volunteer to help in their zones. We wish some one in each zone to call a meeting of neighbors, where a captain and lieutenants will be elected. The committee will send to the meeting one of its members to give the details of the contest and helpful suggestions about such homely things as: (1) the importance of the proper caring for ash barrels and garbage cans,



when they are put out to be emptied; (2) the necessity of tying up waste papers carefully so they will not blow about, and (3) the possibilities of pleasure and beauty to be derived from vacant lots if only we will not use them as dumping grounds.

Will the residents of the Gardens, who love beauty and order so much that they are willing to give a little time to attain them, please send their names to Mrs. L. D. Speir, 64 Shorthill Road, chairman of the civic committee?

THE NEW BUILDING

There has been no work done on the new school building on the north side of the track for some time and the officers of the Community Council, Mothers' Club and others have been besieged by the questions of the parents of the school children here to know the reason why. The following answer is secured from a reliable source.

Work on the two heating and ventilating contracts for public school building 3 has been stopped pending an inquiry into all city contracts, especially those for school buildings, by the Board of Estimate. This inquiry resulted from facts established at the Lockwood Committee hearings, tending to show that there was not actual competitive bidding. How long the delay will continue cannot be said.

Meantime the children of Forest Hills are on part time in temporary school quarters. The development of registration in public schools 3 and 101 is brought to light by Mrs. Harold P. Daniels, chairman of the school committee of the Community Council. Mrs. Daniels has a large committee of influential citizens working with her on the north and south side of the railroad. The registration follows:

1916-1917, approximately 185; 1917-1918, approximately 245; 1918-1919, approximately 275; 1919-1920, approximately 300; 1920-1921, approximately 375.

The public school situation grows more and more serious.

THE INN

Several dinner parties of unusual interest were given at the Inn on Saturday evening last, the largest being that of Mrs. Robert T. Cassell and her daughter, Mrs. Lafayette Franklin. The guests included many out-of-town people, who made their initial visit to Forest Hills, and who thoroughly enjoyed the hospitality of their hostesses. Table decorations were pink roses with most attractive favors and place cards of the same color scheme.

Recently Miss Philippine Handiges, of Ascan Avenue, gave a luncheon of fourteen covers at the Inn.

Major and Mrs. D. White of the Tennis Place Apartments also gave an anniversary dinner to ten of their friends, which was thoroughly enjoyed, as was also a box party at the theatre afterward.

C. Stocksdale and J. G. Chapman also entertained Mr. and Mrs. John Enequist, of Kew Gardens, Mrs. C. J. Haseman and Mr. and Mrs. Connor of Port Washington.

The guests of the Inn seem to be thoroughly enjoying the service recently started of afternoon tea in the sun parlor. This is a new feature of the Inn and the idea of tea being served to the guests and their friends gratuitously seems to be creating an atmosphere of sociability.

Mrs. James Hitchcock gave a bridge party on Tuesday last week in honor of Mrs. Edward Spahr, whom the Inn most regretfully loses this week, as Mr. and Mrs. Spahr have been guests of long standing. They are now going to Jersey to make their home at East Orange.

Mrs. Lafayette Franklin also gave a bridge party to her club on the same afternoon. Refreshments were served to the attending guests of both parties.

A most interesting moving picture and short talk on "What I Know of the Turk," was given in the drawing room last Friday evening by Prof. J. Stewart Crawford, and was well attended by the guests and many outsiders.

Mrs. George Cox and Virginia have just returned from Bangstown, Ohio, where Mrs. Cox was called owing to the illness of her mother.

The Inn is again entertaining Mrs. Edward H. Rising and her daughter, Miss Margaret Rising, of Saugerties, N. Y., who have spent each winter here for the last several seasons.

G. W. Muckley, of St. Louis, spent the week-end with his son, Robert L. Muckley, of the Inn.

Mrs. R. Murray Barthwell, Jr., of Brookline, Mass., was a guest for a few days of Mr. and Mrs. George Day.

Miss Agnes Kendrick Gray has returned from Washington, D. C., and will be joined by her mother the latter part of next week.

Miss Margaret Angell of Douglaston, L. I., was a week-end guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Hume.

Mrs. George A. Owens and Miss Janet A. Sales, who have been guests of the Inn during the fall and early winter, have recently left for the south, as have also Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson, who will spend the remainder of the winter in St. Augustine, Fla.

It is with regret that the Inn lost as its guests Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Watrous, who have been members of the Inn family for the last several years. Mr. Watrous' business is taking him to Washington, D. C., but it is hoped that they will be able to return at some future time.

Among the recent arrivals are: Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Weinig and their two little daughters, of Manhattan; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morgan and their son; Col. and Mrs. L. T. Baker, Miss Katherine P. Saitz, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Andrew Walz, of Manhattan; Mrs. Laura D. Marson, of Atlanta Ga.; H. S. Hayden, of Manhattan; E. A. Gardner, of Brooklyn, and W. A. Kelly, of Forest Hills.

George Mason, who has been quite seriously ill for the past two weeks, has now recovered and has left for a short trip, but will return to the Inn in about two weeks.

Harry Wood has left for Chicago to visit his mother and will be away for about one week.

LOST—Shell rim spectacles between Whitson Street and the Station. Please notify Mrs. A. M. Gray, 6208 J Boulevard, if spectacles are found.

LOST—Between Euclid Street and public school 101, a fountain pen. Finder please notify Andrew Hargreave, Boulevard 6238-J.

MEN'S CLUB

News Gathering Will Be Discussed by W. P. Beazell at the Next Meeting

The Men's Club will meet at the home of Donald G. Clark, corner of Markwood Road and Union Turnpike, on Monday evening, Jan. 31, when W. P. Beazell will present the subject, "How the News Gets to You." Lawrence F. Abbott, president of the club, will introduce the speaker.

Eleven years ago Mr. Beazell came to the staff of "The World," having been engaged in newspaper work in Pittsburgh since his graduation from college. On "The World" he has done a great deal of political reporting, but he has done more of staff correspondence both in and out of the United States. Much of this has had to do with economics, with excursions into aviation, including, for example, the first trans-atlantic flights, and every successful and non-successful attempt of that kind having been witnessed by him. Mr. Beazell refuses editorial positions because he prefers reporting. There are a number of editors, publishers and correspondents in the Men's Club, and with the questions asked and answered after Mr. Beazell's interesting talk, this will be a worth while meeting of the club.

WOMEN'S CLUB

"Glimpses of China and Japan," will be the subject of an informal talk by Mrs. Edward H. Mays at the next meeting of the Women's Club, to be held at the Inn on the afternoon of Feb. 7. Mr. and Mrs. Mays returned a year ago from a five months' trip to China and Japan. There will be a musical program under the general direction of the new chairman of the music chapter, Mrs. Edward H. Moir. Walter Mills, tenor, will sing two groups of songs, with Grover Tilden Davis at the piano. There will be other music.

"Mary Rose," the delightful play of Barrie, will be reviewed by Mrs. Eugene Schoen before the current readings chapter, at the home of Mrs. Robert C. Adams, Deepdene Road, on Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock, Jan. 25.

The works of Schumann will be discussed at a meeting of the music chapter at the home of Mrs. Leonard Buck, Tuesday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock, Jan. 28.

Card Party

The philanthropic chapter announces a card party on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 10, 2 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Forry R. Getz, 60 Olive Place. The tickets will be \$5.00 for a table, or \$1.25 a single ticket, and this price includes the prizes and refreshments. These tickets may be purchased from Mrs. Frank Y. Low, Gardens Apartments.

THE GARDENS PLAYERS

The Gardens Players will be pleased to receive original manuscripts of plays by local authors with the idea of production in the near future. It is requested that these plays be submitted to the secretary, Miss Maude Marren, 26 Greenway Terrace, before Jan. 30, if possible. Any person desiring to submit a play, but which will not be ready at that time, is requested to make this fact known so that arrangements can be made for the necessary readings.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Bell James, 308 Burns Street, announce the birth of a son, Garrett Bell James, Jr., early Tuesday morning, Jan. 18. Mrs. James is a niece of Mrs. Charles B. Nelcamp, of Puritan Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Longcope, 54 Wendover Road, are in Philadelphia, because of the serious illness of Mrs. Longcope's father.

Mrs. George D. Freeman, of Columbus, Ohio, is visiting her son and family, Stanton S. Freeman, Greenway North and Union Turnpike. Mrs. Schille, of Columbus, Ohio, is also visiting the Freemans.

Charles W. Gates, Slocum Crescent, proprietor of the Forest Hills Garage, has secured a selling agency for the Franklin motor car.

Lost: Squirrel scarf between Beechnoll Road and Station Square on Jan. 2. Finder please notify Mrs. J. R. Valentine, 66 Beechnoll Road.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS

A cordial welcome awaits newcomer, visitor or older resident at the Church-in-the-Gardens. Morning worship, 11 A. M. tomorrow morning. Dr. Latshaw will preach.

The annual meeting of the church was held in the social room on Wednesday evening, Jan. 12. The social hour preceding the meeting included an excellent turkey dinner served by the Women's Guild.

Dr. Latshaw reported a net gain in membership during the year of 32, bringing the total membership to 192. He placed special emphasis on the work of the Sunday school.

The following extracts from Sunday School Superintendent Kaighn's report will be of interest: "Including teachers, officers, scholars and cradle roll there are 205 enrolled in the school."

"The graded system of lessons is used."

Mrs. Latshaw, superintendent of the primary school, gave a very intimate account of the program as carried out among the smaller children—its purpose and its practical, every-day application.

Mrs. S. E. Davenport, Jr. superintendent of the cradle roll called attention to the picture, which had not hitherto been displayed showing members of the cradle roll.

J. F. McTyier presented a neatly printed treasurer's report with a certified audit by the well known house of Price, Waterhouse & Co. The report showed total receipts on current account of \$6,266.06. All bills had been met and the books closed with an even balance. The benevolent account showed disbursements totaling \$2,017.03 as against \$1,018 for 1919.

The Board of Trustees through its finance committee presented a budget for 1921 of \$9,500—an increase of 54 per cent over last year. The budget was unanimously adopted.

The following were elected to office: On Board of Trustees, Edward H. Mays, Samuel W. Eckman, Horace L. Willson. On Board of Deacons, Dr. Forry R. Getz, James Rea, Professor Benjamin B. Kendrick. Clerk, George E. Batcheller. Treasurer, Donald G. Clark. Sunday School Superintendent, Raymond P. Kaighn. Music committee, Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, Donald G. Clark, J. Gorton Marsh. Church committee, Mrs. E. C. Ketcham, Mrs. William H. Batcheller, Mrs. H. P. Green.

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens held its annual meeting at the home of the retiring president, Mrs. George Smart, 45 Deepdene Road, Friday afternoon, Jan. 14. The reports of officers and chairmen of the standing committees revealed a year of splendid achievement in philanthropy, missionary work, in social and hospitable work for the Church-in-the-Gardens, and in a \$5,000 donation to the Community House.

The officers for the coming year will be: President, Mrs. David Latshaw; vice-presidents, Mrs. George A. Douglass and Mrs. J. Floyd McTyier; recording secretary, Mrs. Herbert P. Green; corresponding secretary, Mrs. S. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr.; treasurer, Mrs. Ward J. MacNeal; auditor, Mrs. Forry R. Getz. The chairmen of the standing committees of the coming year will be: Mesdames S. S. Freeman, Rowland H. Smith, I. K. Ward, J. G. Elliott, James Rea, John A. McFarlan, R. P. Kaighn, A. J. Willson, Martha M. Allen, J. Gorton Marsh and Charles H. Scammell.

ST. LUKE'S

The Woman's Guild is planning a supper and sale to be held in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens on Feb. 1. Tickets will be \$1.00 each, and can be purchased from any of the Guild members. There will be plenty of home-made pies, biscuits and cakes.

Within the next four weeks there will be installed in the chapel a Mason & Hamlin two manual pedal base organ. Mrs. George C. LeBlanc will fill the position of organist, beginning the first Sunday of March.

Rev. Mr. Kroll will have charge of the chapel from Feb. 1 through Easter. Mr. Kroll was at the head of a mission in Hawaii for thirteen years.

AUDUBON POSTERS



On a number of the lamp-posts in the Gardens are most attractive, artistic frames for posters, containing little stories of bird life in the Gardens and information about the habits of birds. These posters have received enthusiastic commendation from visitors to the Gardens and from various parts of the country have come questions as to the design, cost, up-keep, etc. The Audubon Society has been glad to change the pictures and stories on the posters, from time to time, and so awaken interest here in bird life. Recently the broken glass of

the posters was all replaced by new glass. Within the last few days glass in one of the posters has been broken again. This is a discouraging experience for the officers of the society and they have reluctantly come to the conclusion that the frequent breakage of the glass in these poster frames cannot be entirely accidental. It is expensive to replace this glass, which has to be especially cut. Will anyone who knows who the perpetrator of this mischief is please report to Miss M. E. Knevels, 9 Station Square?

AMERICAN LEGION DANCE

At the regular meeting of the Forest Hills Post 630, plans were perfected for holding an informal Lincoln's birthday party and dance at the new Masonic Temple, Queen's Boulevard and Continental Avenue, on the evening of Feb. 11. Excellent facilities are provided for admirably entertaining a large gathering and arrangements are being made accordingly. The music will be furnished by Alfred Bennett, assisted by a full orchestra. This is the first entertainment to be given by the local American Legion Post and a hearty and cordial invitation is extended to every one. Tickets are on sale at the drug stores and stationery store.

CHURCH SERVICES

- Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 o'clock. Ascan Avenue, near Queens Boulevard.
- St. Luke's Episcopal—Sunday, 9:45 A. M., Sunday School 11 A. M., Morning Service. Holy Communion first and third Sunday in each month.
- Church-in-the-Gardens—David Latshaw, D. D., Pastor. Sunday morning: Sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 o'clock.—Christian Endeavor Society. Sunday, 7:45 P. M., Social Room. Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock, Mid-week service.
- Church of Forest Hills—Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10 A. M.; sermon at 11 A. M. Seminole Avenue and Gown Street.
- Christian Science Society of Forest Hills. Services Sunday at 1 A. M. Sunday School 9:45 A. M.; Wednesday evening at 8:00. Reading room open daily from 1 to 4 P. M., except Sundays and holidays, 173 Continental Avenue.

COMING EVENTS

- First and third Tuesday evening of each month—8 o'clock. Forest Hills Lodge, 946, F. and A. M., Masonic Hall.
- Jan. 24, 8 P. M.—Executive Committee, Celebrations Association, Sales Office.
- Jan. 25, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 22 Deepdene Road.
- Jan. 28, 2:30 P. M.—Music Chapter, Women's Club, Gardens Apartments, with Mrs. L. Buck.
- Jan. 31, 8:00 P. M.—Men's Club, Markwood Road and Union Turnpike.
- Feb. 1, 6:30 P. M.—St. Luke's Supper, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.
- Feb. 7, 2 P. M.—Women's Club, Inn.
- Feb. 10, 2 P. M.—Card party, Philanthropic Chapter, Women's Club, 60 Olive Place.
- Feb. 11, 2 P. M.—Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens. Place to be announced.
- Feb. 11, 8 P. M.—American Legion Dance, Masonic Temple.
- Feb. 15, 2:30 P. M.—Current Events Chapter, Women's Club, Union Turnpike and Greenway South.

Found—Black fox fur piece, Christmas Eve. Inquire of Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, 14 Greenway Terrace.