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PARENTS' RESPONSIBILITY

Motion Pictures Alluring, Parents Must Decide Where Children Shall Go

Women's Club Starts a New Year With Much Enthusiasm—Chapters and Committees Active.

"Motion pictures are as varied as life" said Orrin G. Weeks, secretary of the advisory committee of the National Board of Review, in speaking before the Women's Club at the meeting held at the Inn on the afternoon of Oct. 3. "It is difficult to decide what young people should do with their leisure time," the speaker continued. He spoke enthusiastically for unity of thought on morals in this country. Governor Miller has appointed a censor committee for the movies of the state. He finds that the state problems are the same as national. Motion pictures can not be regulated from the standpoint of boys and girls, but from the viewpoint of adults. "After all, the responsibility of morals must rest with the parents. The movies are alluring and cheap. The women are trying to solve the problem, you must stand by your committee," were the closing words of the speaker.

Mrs. E. D. Sealy is chairman of the moving picture committee of the club.

New members elected into the club are: Mrs. Edgar Allen, Mrs. William J. Dempsey, Mrs. David Latshaw, Mrs. Eugene Christian, Mrs. M. J. Folensbee, Miss Beatrice Wilson, Miss Grace Warren, Mrs. Ellis O. Jones, Mrs. Frank A. Martin, Mrs. Francis H. J. Paul, Mrs. Ward Johnstone, Mrs. Herbert Foster, Mrs. B. A. Kendig, Mrs. E. M. Guyon, Mrs. Charles Poore and Mrs. Joseph Abbott.

Mrs. Louis D. Speir and Mrs. F. R. Getz were elected delegates to the New York City Federation, Oct. 28 and Mrs. W. E. Woodard and Mrs. Rowland H. Smith, alternates.

Reports were given by chapter and committee chairmen: Mrs. A. M. Gray, philanthropic work, Mrs. Donald G. Clark, current readings chapter, Mrs. Louis D. Speir, civic committee and Mrs. George Smart for the library. Mrs. S. W. Eckman has donated a book case to the library.

The music chapter will meet at the home of the chairman, Mrs. E. H. Moir, 141 Jewel Street on the afternoon of Oct. 21. The current readings chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. Lee Galloway, 250 Greenway South, on the afternoon of Oct. 25, when Mrs. A. M. Gray will give a talk on book reviewing.

CURRENT DRAMA

Dr. S. Marion Tucker, president of the New York Drama League spoke on "Current Drama," before the current readings chapter of the Women's Club, at the home of Mrs. Donald G. Clark, Markwood Road on the afternoon of Oct. 11. Dr. Tucker described the aims, tendencies and ideals of the drama, today, in European countries and in our own. He then told of the merits of some ten of the plays which one may see in New York this season. He also told of the work which the organization of which he is the head is trying to do.

CELEBRATIONS ASSOCIATION

A very important meeting of the Forest Hills Gardens Celebrations Association will be held at 8:30 o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 18, in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. Reports of officers and the annual election of officers will take place. Every one in the Gardens who is a contributor either to the Christmas Eve or July 4 celebration is entitled to vote.

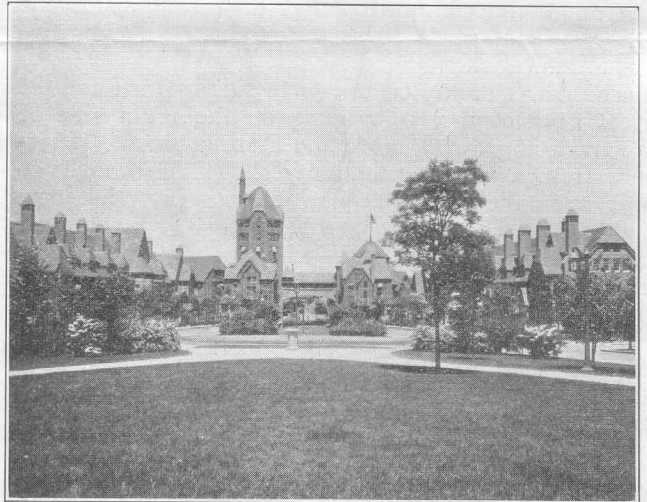
PLENTY OF FUN

Men's Club Devotes an Evening to Frivolity and Awards Laurel Crown and Other Things.

The first meeting of the Men's Club under the administration of Dr. S. E. Davenport, Jr., was held at the home of Henry Hirschberg, Friday, Oct. 7, and was devoted to fun-making to such an extent that there was no collection of dues, the treasurer absenting himself lest he might give a slight tinge of the serious to the program. The reading of minutes was also dispensed with as entirely too serious a procedure.

The new president early in the evening surrendered to the chairman of the committee on entertainment, Harold Daniels, who proceeded to give the members a lesson in humility in the form of 27 questions. J. J. Finnegan showed the least ignorance, as he succeeded in illuminating 15 of the Edisonian quests for truth. He received the laurel crown. Then came games in which no one distinguished himself except W. B. Davis, who received a wonderful rope of cranberry beads for showing he is a crack shot.

Tests of learning and sportsmanship having been made, a test of music appreciation followed. C. I. Barnard played on the piano a few measures of each of ten selections and the members guessed what they were. One man, Donald G. Clark, scored 100 per cent, and received his reward. Singing, then cider and doughnuts, plus Hirschberg hospitality, rounded out a delightful evening.



THE INN TOWER FROM THE GREEN.

TRAVEL TALKS

The next meeting of the Community Council will be a travel evening. Several of the members who have had interesting vacation trips this summer will tell about the places visited. Louis D. Speir has promised to speak on Utah and the Grand Canyon. Dr. F. R. Getz will describe Yellowstone Park and the historic village of Taos, New Mexico. James Gorton Marsh, who spent several months in Mexico, will give us a resume of conditions there. Neils F. Holch will talk on Denmark, a land dear to his soul.

Besides these interesting travelogues, there will be election of officers and annual reports of committees. The meeting will be held in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, at eight o'clock, Friday evening, Oct. 21.

DANCING CLASSES AT THE INN

Eleanor S. Ranlett will teach social dancing to children at the Inn beginning Nov. 5. Children may be enrolled on the afternoon of Oct. 18.

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PUBLIC EDUCATION

“DEMOCRACY has discredited education as a philanthropy, and recognized it as the right of every potential citizen, the only insurance against the anarchy of ignorance, and the sole safeguard of the institutions of a free people.

“The public schools offer to all the children of the Republic the opportunity to prepare for citizenship together—the rich and the poor, those with long traditions of culture and those with long traditions of toil—in the atmosphere and under the inspiration of the community institution.”

These words are from Cornelia J. Cannon, who wrote them for the September *Atlantic*. Surely we shall all recognize them as true and shall resolve to encourage the committees and organizations of the village which are doing all in their power to improve public education in Forest Hills.

The new building on the north side is filled and the great need of a new building on the south side of the track is growing more and more apparent. Pressure from a united community should be brought to bear upon the proper authorities to secure that new building at the earliest possible date. A few people are struggling to that end—why not the whole community?

We should all have in mind in our united appeals to urge the authorities to plan a centrally located High School for Forest Hills and Kew. The boys and girls of the Gardens are attending three different public High Schools and a number of different private schools—some going daily to Manhattan, one to Garden City and several are away in boarding schools. If all of the young people here had the chance to attend one good High School near home, just think what it would mean in intimate friendships, in team work in athletics, debates and the many other activities of the regular High School course. As it is now, there is such a diversity of interests and such a scattering of friendships in the 'teen age of our boys and girls that they miss much of the richness of life that their fathers and mothers enjoyed at the same age. Let us work for a new public High School as soon as we see the grade school of the Gardens in sight.

AMERICA'S MAKING

On Oct. 11 public school 101 celebrated “America's Making” in a very appropriate way. The kindergarten children were Pilgrims, disembarked from the Mayflower and were received by “Mother America.” Another grade of children were Danes and danced folk dances, while another as Swedes sang a Swedish “Lullaby” and another room played “Hansel and Gretel.” The children paraded around town and had a picture taken on the Green. Every public school in New York has some such celebration during this month.

PREPARING FOR NEXT YEAR

The anti-mosquito committee of the Community Council is making plans for a most thorough mosquito extermination campaign next year. A letter has been mailed to every household of Forest Hills telling of the effective and faithful work of the inspector, Edward Durand, who did so much this past summer to eliminate the pest from the neighborhood.

All the known local breeding places have been watched and house-to-house inspections have been frequent. After very strenuous efforts, the dumping of garbage into a large, filthy, shallow pond near Queens Boulevard, just north of Maple Grove Cemetery, was stopped. This was an immense breeding place for flies and mosquitoes. It must be drained or regularly oiled and garbage dumping there must not be resumed. Many smaller breeding places have been done away with, the big Corona dump attended to, and the city officials pounded hard to enforce the ordinances. Without this local work the pest would have been unbearable, as in some former years.

This work costs money and no active campaign for raising funds for anti-mosquito work has been carried on since before the war. There is a deficit for the present year which the officers have met pending receipt of funds from residents. The response to this letter should clean up the present deficit and give enough to run through next spring and summer.

Checks ranging from \$5 to \$25 should be mailed to M. J. Følensbee, 55 Bow Street, treasurer, so that a house-to-house canvass for funds will not be necessary. Every cent contributed goes to fight the pests—mosquitoes and flies; the committee and officers contribute their time as well as money. S. W. Eckman is chairman.

INTEREST IN MUSIC AROUSED

Having organized recently with a large membership, the Forest Hills Choral Club is now getting down to hard, sincere work, which will soon show results in the pleasure which the organization's concerts will give to the townspeople. Those who welcome this opportunity to sing under the leadership of Bruno Huhn are meeting for rehearsals Thursday evenings at 8 o'clock in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, the doors of which have kindly been opened to this young society and thereby is made possible a meeting place for the new club.

Those in the community who do not sing have given this movement cordial and hearty support by joining as associate members, so as to make the organization a paying one from a business point of view. This co-operative effort is doing a wonderful amount of good for the future musical development of the town. It is evident that Forest Hills people are willing to follow Mrs. Charles H. Scammell's leadership in organizing the club which will create an atmosphere of and an interest in good music in the village.

There is still open the opportunity to join as active members with dues \$10 each, and those who do not sing are urged to become associate members, and for them the dues are \$10 each. Names should be given to Mrs. John A. McFarlan, chairman of membership committee, or to any one of the officers.

The rehearsals are regularly held on Thursday evening. However, in place of Thursday evening, Oct. 27, the rehearsal will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 26.

The first concert will be held on Dec. 9.

FALL PLANTING FOR BIRD FEEDING

Now that many home owners are considering putting in ornamental trees and shrubs, a thought should be given to planting the kinds that attract birds. The native red cedar, flowering dogwood, Chinese flowering crab apple, the gray-stemmed dogwood, honeysuckle, American elder, sheep berry and Virginia creeper among many others, provide shelter, nesting sites and food, besides being handsome and ornamental. There is a possibility of our native birds disappearing altogether for lack of food and shelter, says Prof. Alan F. Arnold of the New York State College of Forestry. In return for shelter and food, the birds protect the shrubs against the depredations of insects, so that the generous host is generously rewarded.

Mary E. Knevels,
Secretary of the Audubon Society.

PERFORMANCE IN OLIVIA PARK

The production given by the Gardens Players on Saturday, Oct. 1, had decided beauty and charm. Walter Teague, who planned, and in large part executed the work of using and elaborating the lovely natural setting of Olivia Park as a background for the three plays, is greatly to be congratulated on his success. Particularly effective was the picture presented by the Chinese garden of the third play.

In "Sweet and Twenty," the first play on the bill, a new singer, Van Manning, Jr., made his first appearance in a very creditable piece of work. Miss Lolita Cordon played the heroine very prettily, and Walter Claypoole did a good piece of character work as the "Agent." E. H. Moir appeared for a too brief moment as the guard.

"A Bright Morning," the second play, was a revival. It had been presented a season ago at the Kew Gardens Country Club, and was repeated by request, gaining in attractiveness through the outdoor production.

"Told In a Chinese Garden," however, showed the best acting of the evening in Edward S. Swazey's presentation of the character of the wicked uncle. Both for tone and for facial expression, Mr. Swazey's may properly be termed a finished performance. Miss Jeannette Ranson, as the heroine, and Irving Hare as the hero, played with a grateful delicacy of touch. Special mention should be made of the work of Miss Maude Marren and Miss Tecla Fickner as the governesses, and of young George Castleman, who, as the umbrella boy, gave a very convincing and delightful characterization. Crispia Bebb, as the father; Clarence Perry, as his clerk, the junior members who acted as gardeners and Robert Pegoix as the servant, are all much to be commended. Charles Aldrich as the runner made his first appearance.

Walter Hartwig acted as coach for all three plays, a herculean task, when one considers that they were not put into rehearsal until after Labor Day.

THE PLAYERS' FRIEND.

PERSONALS

Homer Croy has an article in Collier's for Oct. 8, entitled "The Gold Cure."

Hubbard Carpenter, 10 Park End Place, is attending the Army and Navy Preparatory School, 4101 Connecticut Avenue, Washington, D. C. He expects to enter the United States Naval Academy in June, 1922.

Miss Katherine C. Knobbe and Miss Florence J. Knobbe spent the week-end at the Garden City Hotel.

Miss Mae Collins announces the re-opening of her studios for piano study and illustrative classes in the appreciation of music. The Forest Hills studio is at 10 Roman Avenue, Boulevard 6733.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle H. Scott, of Markwood Road, announce the arrival of a daughter on Oct. 4.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae Association of New York met at the home of Mrs. George Smart, Deepdene Road, Saturday, Oct. 8. In the group 14 colleges were represented. Mrs. W. P. Beazell, Mrs. F. E. Montgomery and Miss Ida Meigs assisted in receiving the guests.

Mrs. Albert Farjeon, of Ascan Avenue, after spending the month of September in Atlantic City, has returned to Forest Hills.

BRIDGE AND FIVE HUNDRED

The Mothers' Club of Public School 3, will give a card party on the afternoon of Oct. 21, at 2:30 P. M., at the Seminole Avenue Club House. This party will be given for the purpose of raising a fund to buy equipment and supplies for the school lunch room. Tickets may be had from Mrs. H. P. Daniels, Mrs. J. Elmer Kline, Mrs. George J. Simmons or Mrs. V. E. Engelbach.

Mrs. Guy has resigned as president and has been succeeded by Mrs. Kline. Mrs. A. E. Kretschmer is vice-president.

ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL 3

Under the auspices of the Board of Education a series of lectures is being held Monday evenings at 8 o'clock in public school 3. These lectures began on the evening of October 3. On Monday evening, October 17, Miss Anne Partlan will speak on "The French in America."

The lectures are free and school children will be admitted if accompanied by parents or teachers. Mrs. Max P. Hyman is furthering this series of entertainments.

THE INN



The formal dances will begin Oct. 15. Judge and Mrs. R. Newcombe entertained a party of eleven at dinner on Sunday, Oct. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Thompson, of the Tennis Place Apartments, entertained a party of ten last Saturday evening in the sun parlor at dinner. Dancing was enjoyed later.

Mr. and Mrs. George K. Reed, of Chicago, are numbered among the new arrivals for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gormully, and daughter, Maurie, of Mexico, are among the recent arrivals.

J. M. Cirne, of Boston, has returned after a few weeks absence.

Mrs. Harriett Peck, of Miami, Florida, has arrived and expects to spend the winter at the Inn.

Victor Bowman, of Cincinnati, Ohio; G. W. Case, Jr., of Manhattan, and Royal E. Peterson, also of Manhattan, are among the new arrivals for the winter.

Mrs. B. M. Fullerton, of Princeton, N. J., has arrived to spend the season with her son, R. M. Fullerton and family.

Mrs. J. R. Ellis, of Atlanta, Ga., is the guest of her son, H. Ellis, for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Major A. White, of New York, have been welcomed back to the Inn for an indefinite stay.

Miss Gladys Tree has returned from London, where she spent the summer with home folks.

Miss Elizabeth Camp, of London, and Mrs. Hazel C. Goepfer, of Manhattan, are also recent arrivals for the winter season.

THE GARDENS PLAYERS, 1921-22

The performance which has just been given in Olivia Park completes the Gardens Players' subscription cycle for 1920-21. This performance was scheduled for last spring, but, owing to the Players having been requested to put on the Fourth of July performance this year, pressure of time compelled them to put over this production until fall, thus fulfilling their promise to their subscribers.

The purpose of the Gardens Players is to stimulate a community interest in practical dramatics; to recognize the social force that the drama is by applying it to social intercourse.

Their 1921-22 season is now well under way and calls for three regular subscription performances to be given, one in the fall, one in the winter, and one in the spring. Members are entitled to admission to each of these performances, with the privilege of bringing one guest. In addition, the Players intend to repeat their Christmas play this year, which is not included in the subscription. There will also be informal evenings throughout the year, for members only, at which they intend to read various interesting plays, and to listen to well-known actors and playwrights from the professional stage. And last, but not least, is the annual stunt party and the annual cabaret dance, two events that have already become features in Forest Hills life.

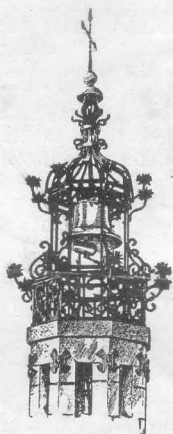
The membership dues are the same as before, \$5.50, which entitles the holder to two seats for each of the subscription performances and admission to the various informal entertainments. To newcomers it should be explained that they are not required to act or work in the various productions unless they wish to. Membership is open to all who are interested in the Gardens Players and the work they are doing.

For the new season a junior membership has been inaugurated. This is open to young men and young women up to the age of sixteen years who will enter into the activities the same as the adults. The junior membership fee is \$2.75 for the year and it gives every junior member one ticket to each of the three subscription performances and all other general privileges the same as the regular membership.

If you are interested in encouraging this activity, please send your name and address, together with \$5.50, to the secretary, Miss Maude Marren, 26 Greenway Terrace.

The Players will give a Hallowe'en party and dance, on Oct. 29, at the Masonic Temple. Admission will be one dollar each and that will include refreshments.

CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



The ninth anniversary of the Church-in-the-Gardens was celebrated last Sunday. Dr. Latshaw outlined the history of the Church to the interest of all present at the regular church service. The names of the thirty-eight charter members were read, many of whom are still living in the Gardens. The Rally Day of the Sunday School on this occasion was very successful and the address by Marc Edmund Jones on the subject "Chips" and the special music by Ralph McKee were greatly enjoyed by the members and friends of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

The marriage ceremony of Miss Edna C. Hamlin of Kew Gardens and Bruno K. Schroeder of Brooklyn was performed by Dr. Latshaw at the Church on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 8, our organist, Mr. Hall, furnishing the music.

Splendid progress has been made in carrying out the new plan of organization and conduct of the Sunday School. One of the new features in the Intermediate Division is the Pastor's five minute sermon for children and young people at the close of the Sunday School hour.

The regular mid-week meetings for the season will begin on Wednesday evening, Oct. 19, at 8 o'clock in the social room. The Pastor is desirous of a good attendance at these meetings. Special features have been planned for many of them.

J. F. McT.

Rally Luncheon

Twenty-two states were represented at the luncheon held by the Women's Guild on Friday, Oct. 7, in the social room. There were 117 present. Toasts to the states were responded to by Mrs. Rowland H. Smith, Mrs. David Latshaw, Mrs. A. M. Gray, Mrs. E. H. Mays, Mrs. James Rea, Mrs. I. K. Ward, Mrs. D. G. Clark, Mrs. Louis D. Speir, Mrs. F. R. Getz and Mrs. J. A. McFarlan. Mrs. A. J. Wilson was to have spoken for England but was unable to be present. A group of singers under the leadership of Mrs. Charles H. Scammell sang state and college songs between the toasts. The singers were Mrs. Jewel Aldrich, Mrs. Martin Hoban, Mrs. E. H. Moir, Mrs. James R. Woodrough, Mrs. R. P. Kaighn, Mrs. C. H. W. Hasselriis, Mrs. George C. LeBlanc and Mrs. Chester I. Barnard. Mrs. George Smart was toastmistress.

HIGH HONOR FOR DR. BURTON

In Kansas City, in 1913, the Congregational Churches were more effectively organized through the National Council than had ever been supposed possible before. In all such movements the secretary is the important officer. To the new office created, "Secretary of the National Council," was appointed the secretary of the National Home Missionary Society, Rev. Hubert C. Herring. His considerate and wise administration of the office until his sudden and lamented death in the summer of 1920, made the first chapter of the new life of the churches one of progress and harmony.

It was but following precedent when, as his successor, the council chose the one who had in turn succeeded him as secretary of the Home Missionary Society. Many of the same reasons which led to the choice of Dr. Herring determined the selection of Dr. C. E. Burton, of Rockrose Place. His wide acquaintance with all parts of the country, the esteem in which he had come to be held, especially among the smaller churches with which he, above all other National Secretaries, was in close contact, his proven ability in the administration of national church affairs, all these combined to recommend Dr. Burton to the work of the National Council.

It was with the confidence that Dr. Burton will be a constructive leader that he was called to the work by the vote of the delegates from the Congregational churches.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

The bazaar was, indeed, a great success. The booths were prettily decorated and the goods displayed were most attractive. It was difficult to make a selection at any of the booths, due to the large variety of the articles for sale. The tea room did its noble share in refreshing the many visitors. Great appreciation is due the ladies, especially Mrs. Major White, chairman, for the success which has been achieved. They deserve all the credit.

On Tuesday, Oct. 18 is the Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist, our patron Saint. The special services are as follows: Holy Communion at 7:30 and 9:30 A. M., Evensong and sermon at 8 P. M. The Reverend Richard D. Pope, Rector of the Church of the Advent, Westbury, will be the special preacher. The members of the parish are urged to attend especially one of the Communion services; giving thanks to God for His blessings on His Church during the past year and praying for His care this year.

Confirmation Classes: At the Church, for children, on Tuesdays at 4 P. M.; for adults, on Wednesdays at 8:15 P. M.

The Vicar may now be reached by telephone: Boulevard 8041. W. P. S. L.

CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 6:45, 8 and 11 o'clock. Ascan Avenue near Queens Boulevard.

St. Luke's Episcopal—Rev. William P. S. Lander, Vicar—Sunday, 8 A. M., Holy Communion; 11 A. M., Morning Service. Holy Communion first and third Sunday in each month.

Church-in-the-Gardens—David Latshaw, D. D., Pastor. Sunday services: Sunday School 9:45 A. M.; sermon, 11 A. M.; Christian Endeavor, 8 P. M.

Presbyterian Church of Forest Hills—Sunday mornings, sermon at 11 o'clock. Seminole Avenue and Gowanus Street.

First Church of Christ, Scientist of Forest Hills—Services Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School, 9:45 A. M. Wednesday evening at 8:00. Reading room open daily from 2 to 4 P. M., except Sundays and holidays. Masonic Temple.

MUSICAL AT THE INN

A highly successful and exceedingly novel concert was given at the Forest Hills Inn on Tuesday evening, Oct. 4, by three distinguished artists—Penelope Davies, mezzo-soprano; Charles Cooper, pianist, and Sigmund Spaeth, Ph. D., former music critic of the New York Times and the Evening Mail, with the assistance of the Ampico reproducing piano.

The concert was under the direction of Herbert Padellietti, of 16 Cranford Street, Forest Hills Gardens.

COMING EVENTS

Monday and Friday, 3 to 5 P. M. Library Open—Sales Office.

First and third Tuesday evening of each month, 8 o'clock—Forest Hills Lodge, 946, F. & A. M.—Masonic Temple.

Thursday, 8 P. M.—Choral Club Rehearsal, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Monday, 8 P. M.—Public School Lectures, Public School 3. Oct. 18, 8:30 P. M.—Annual meeting of Forest Hills Gardens Celebrations Association, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Oct. 21, 2:30 P. M.—Music Chapter, Women's Club, 15 Jewel Street.

Oct. 21, 2:30 P. M.—Card party, Mother's Club of Public School 3, Seminole Avenue Club House.

Oct. 21, 8 P. M.—Community Council, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Oct. 25, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 250 Greenway South.

Oct. 29, 8 P. M.—Hallowe'en Party, Gardens Players, Masonic Temple.

Nov. 4, 8 P. M.—Men's Club.

Nov. 7, 2 P. M.—Women's Club, Inn.