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HOME OF E. J. KNOKE.

On Shorthill Road and Short Cut Lane is the home of E. J. Knoke pictured above: A pleasing Colonial entrance opening from the lane permits of easy access to the house and leaves the front yard free from unsightly paths. The exterior walls are of rough troweled gray stucco well topped by deep brown and red shades of the roof tiles.

This house was designed and erected by the Homes Company.

EMERGENCY HOSPITAL RELIEF

Mrs. F. R. Getz, chairman, reports that Hospital Aid Work for Camp Mills is now practically completed, as nearly all the invalid soldiers have been moved to better quarters in city hospitals. Total figures of the amount of relief extended are as follows: There were supplied 131 dozen eggs, 7 pounds of butter, over 200 glasses of jelly (collected by Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Mays), 6 sweaters, 12 pairs of socks, 12 helmets and 4 pairs of wristlets.

The funds gathered for Christmas Fruit Baskets are being expended for fruit at less than wholesale prices, the result being that more than 400 baskets of fruit will reach as many convalescent soldiers.

In this emergency relief work more than one hundred families here have taken part.

TAXPAYERS' NOTICE

The regular monthly meeting of the Taxpayers' Association due to have been held December 25th, has been cancelled. The next meeting of the Association will be held on Tuesday, January 29th in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens.

YULE-TIDE SINGING.

"At ewle we wonten gambole, daunce,
To carrole and to sing,
To hand gude spiced sewe and roste,
And plum-pie for a King."

(Old English Ballad.)

How beautiful it was on last Christmas Eve when nearly every householder in the Gardens hung a holly wreath in his front window or on his front door, so that not only individually, but as a community, we were showing our Christmas spirit of good will to our neighbors as well as to our own families. It was a cheery welcome to the carol singers to see a lighted candle in each window, following the old custom which originated in a legend that on Christmas Eve the Christ Child wandered all over the world in a variety of disguises looking for a place to lodge, and so the loyal folks welcomed, with a lighted candle, whomsoever came to them that night that there might be no danger such a precious guest should lose his way and thus miss their home.

Those who heard the waits on the streets of the Gardens last year will be pleased to know that a similar treat is in store for them on Christmas Eve this year. Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, who in the past has been of such great assistance in the preparation of this event, has been good enough to give her services again this year. The first rehearsal was held at her home on Thursday evening, December 13th. It is anticipated that there will be a chorus of forty or more trained male voices, while an equal number will participate as standard and fire bearers. The service of any man in the community who can sing will be appreciated. Information concerning the next rehearsal may be obtained by calling up the office of the Homes Company.

LIEUT. S. E. DAVENPORT, JR.

Having passed his examinations, Dr. S. E. Davenport, Jr., has now received a commission as First Lieutenant in the U. S. Reserve Corps, Dental Section. It is customary to assign a dentist to each one thousand men in the new armies being raised and Lieut. Davenport will be called, on 48 hours' notice, for service in one of these divisions.

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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 27 Greenway Terrace, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

LETTER FROM MAYOR OF DETROIT.

Appreciative of the entertainment of Michigan soldiers here on Rainbow Army Night, the Mayor of Detroit, Honorable Oscar B. Marx, in a letter recently received by the committee, very courteously expresses his thanks, as follows:

"I have been informed by Capt. Robert J. Baskerville, commanding Headquarters Ambulance Co. No. 168, of the kindness and generosity shown the members of his company, by yourself and the citizens of Forest Hills, while the Rainbow Division was being concentrated at Camp Mills. I want you to know that the City of Detroit appreciates this splendid courtesy and I hope that at some time I may have an opportunity to thank you personally for your acts.

With kindest regards, I am

Respectfully,

(Signed) OSCAR B. MARX,
Mayor."

A WARNING

Residents of the Gardens are cautioned against persons posing as water meter inspectors in the employ of the Homes Company or others. Such persons have been somewhat in evidence recently and there seems to be good ground for suspecting they are responsible for one or two of the burglaries reported. The Sage Foundation Homes Company has no inspectors and its policy is not to send out employees on this character of work when necessary, without proper identification.

In all cases insist upon identification before admitting strangers to the premises.

About two or three weeks ago the semi-circle group on Burns Street (consisting of fourteen small houses) was put on the market by the Homes Company. Since that time eleven of these houses have been sold. This emphasizes strongly the great demand for small houses in the Gardens.

Fred Beck, who occupied the Norman B. Baker house in Ingram Street during the past summer, has purchased the house recently owned by W. F. Goodnow, on Greenway North.

PERSONAL NOTES

A daughter, Frances Jane, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Woodbury, of Groton street, on Monday, December 3rd.

A son, Carl Eiler, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Niels F. Holch, of Asean Avenue, on Friday, December 7.

A son, Thomas C. Jr., was born to Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Chalmers, of Continental Avenue, on Saturday, December 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Swain have adopted a little nine months' old girl, Marguerite.

News has been received of the safe arrival in France of Major Edward L. Keyes M.R.C., of 110 Greenway South.

Francis J. Lauer, nephew of B. J. Hirshorn, 37 Bow Street, has enlisted in the 106th Machine Gun Battalion. He is now at Fort Slocum and expects to join his Forest Hills friends at Spartanburg, S. C.

James Garretson of Greenway Terrace, enrolled in the National Army, has been called into service at Camp Upton.

Cards have recently been received in the Gardens announcing the marriage of Miss Lillian Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Werner H. Deghuee, to Ralph Bevin Smith, Second Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps, H. M. S. Lieutenant Smith is now on active service abroad.

Lieut. G. P. Nightingale, who was formerly connected with the Homes Company, was a visitor in the Gardens on Thanksgiving Day. Lieut. Nightingale is a graduate of Annapolis, and since the declaration of war has returned to the Navy, where he is in service on one of the large transports.

Harold N. Cox, of 12 Standish Road, who has been chief chemist and division superintendent for Lalanc & Grosjean, manufacturers of Nickel-Agate Ware, Woodhaven, has accepted the position of director of the central research laboratory of the "Edison Affiliated Interests." He will take up his new work early in January, his family remaining in Forest Hills Gardens until the Spring.

At Pueblo, Colorado, where M. J. Stickel is secretary of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Y. M. C. A., a new Industrial Y. M. C. A. building is being erected, which, with full equipment, will cost over \$300,000 and, serving the needs of more than 6000 employes, will probably be the largest and most complete plant the Association has yet built.

HOSPITAL LINEN COLLECTION

The housewives of Forest Hills Gardens and Forest Hills made a very generous and prompt response to the request of Mrs. Ralph Renaud and Mrs. Stephen L. Coles for donations of bed linen to be sent to war hospitals in France. Sheets to the number of 124 and 115 pillow cases have been received up to date and have gone forward through the Forest Hills unit of the Surgical Dressings Committee. It is probable that these are already on their way to France. Those who did not find it convenient to contribute at the first call are requested to notify either of the ladies named above and their donations will be called for to be shipped at a later date. The demand for bed linen is a pressing one which will grow rather than diminish.

MOTHERS' CLUB, P. S. 101.

At the regular monthly meeting held on December 10th, at Public School No. 101, a program was given by the children showing the memorizing of poetry covered by the different grades.

Miss Brewer, the kindergartner, gave a short talk about the ideal Christmas for our children at this time, and Miss Smith, the playleader, spoke on "Playground Activities."

The report on the Liberty Bond purchased by the Public Schools of Forest Hills was as follows:

The purchase of the Liberty Bond for the school children of Forest Hills was started by voluntary contributions by the children with the parents' consent, and \$12.32 has been collected up to date. The \$50.00 bond was purchased with the intention of making weekly payments of \$1.00. Six of these payments have been made, which leaves funds for six more payments.

BOY SCOUT NOTES.

In the nation-wide effort of one hundred thousand boys to earn \$10 each as a contribution to war Y. M. C. A. funds, the following local boys are enrolled: Lyndon Burton, Edwin Dowse, John Gray, Austin Mandell, Harry Mandeville, Allen Smart and Charles Smith.

On Friday, December 7th, the following Scouts passed the First Class test in signalling by semaphore, before duly qualified United States Naval officers: Lyndon Burton, John Gray, Kimball Gray, Elliott Knoke, Fred Small and John Small.

On Friday, the 14th, the First Class Aid test, under the supervision of Dr. Paul S. Barrett, was taken by the Scouts of the more advanced class. This examination called for a written paper with answers to twenty-five questions within three hours.

GIRL SCOUTS.

Sugarless sweets for Christmas will be demonstrated and sold by the Scouts. Orders should be placed early, either with Scouts or Miss Mabel Brewer at 229 Greenway South, or Mrs. E. W. Mecabe at 100 Greenway South. Money realized will be devoted to the war work of the Y. M. C. A.

Another means of raising funds for the same purpose will be the sale of a Book of Recipes. These may be obtained by orders placed in the same way as for the sugarless sweets.

Any who desire to fill stockings for Christmas for the children in the New York Nursery and Child Hospital should communicate with Miss Mabel Brewer at the school.

CITY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Two cents a day per inhabitant is the tax in New York City for education and about 20 cents per school day is spent on each of our children. A family with three or four children gets much more than it pays.

As there are 230 children enrolled in Forest Hills at \$40 per scholar, our allowance would be \$9,200. As a matter of fact we are allowed \$9,480 for teachers alone, and have better teaching service than other parts of Queens. For example, a principal is not allowed for less than 18 classes, yet we have a licensed principal acting. Twenty cents a day for five hours teaching is 4 cents an hour we spend for teaching our children.

Another interesting fact apropos our school situation is that while the births from foreign parents are double those of American parents in Manhattan, Bronx and Brooklyn, in our Borough of Queens the birth rate of children of native parents is nearly double that of children of foreign parents.

CHILDREN'S FAIR.

The Children's Fair held at Public School No. 101 on Saturday, December 8th, was a success in spite of the terrific snowstorm raging all afternoon.

The rooms were attractively decorated with American flags. While most of the children assisting were dressed in simple costumes—the maidens waiting at the tables wearing small aprons and caps—the balloon men were there in their "raggity taggity" clothes. A genuine looking farmer sold moving picture tickets; a clown with a surprise package danced through the crowd, and most popular of all was "Jack in the Box," who popped out of a real box with a package for each child who put a dime into his house.

Ribbons were awarded to the following:

The best handwork done by children: 14 to 16 years of age, Eunice Rossman; 11 to 14 years, Henrietta Confal; 8 to 11 years, Jessie Tappan; 6 to 8 years, Alice Tappan.

The best cake made by a child, Katherine Seward.

The best war candy made by a child, Joy Mays.

The money netted was as follows:

Proceeds collected	\$198.61
Expenses (films), janitorial services and minor incidentals	24.61

Money netted

.....\$174.00
This covers the debt of \$35.00 owed to Mr. George Meyer for money expended on the Hallowe'en Party, also the \$50.00 expended for balls, games, etc., used on the playground during the last season, and leaves a balance for the playground fund.

THE INN.

Lieutenant A. T. Shurick, after a two weeks' stay, has returned to Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Willis H. Philleo, of Colorado, is here for the winter.

Mrs. Mead J. Mulvihill, of Pittsburg, Pa., spent a few days the past week at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. George B. Hanavan, of Woodmere, L. I., are making their residence here for the winter.

Miss Kendrick, of Cincinnati, is spending a week at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kropf, of Plainfield, N. J., spent a day or two last week with Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Kropf.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther I. Foster, who were married at Louisville, Ky., on November 22nd, have returned to the Inn after a delightful trip to Porto Rico.

Miss Olive Carroll has returned to the Inn after a week's visit in Washington, D. C.

Mr. A. B. Willis and Miss Laura Wensley, both guests of the Inn, were married in New York City on Friday, December 7th. They expect to return to the Inn in January.

COMING EVENTS.

Announcements of Coming Events should be sent to the Community Secretary, 27 Greenway Terrace. 'Phone Forest Hills 6200.

Mondays at 4 P. M.—Girl Scouts meet at Sales Office to work for war relief. All girls of the community invited.

Monday Evenings—Meeting of Sunbeam Club in Kindergarten Room, Public School 101.

First and Third Tuesdays of each month. Arcanum Hall, Elmhurst. Meeting of Forest Hills Lodge of Masons.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:00 P. M. Sales Office. Meeting of War Relief Committee. Women of the community cordially invited.

Wednesdays at 8:15 P. M., at Ninth Regiment Armory, 14th Street, New York City—Ninth Coast Artillery Drill.

Monday, December 17th, at 2:30 P. M.—Meeting of the Knitting Unit of the Women's Club at the home of Mrs. Lee Galloway, 250 Greenway South.

Wednesday, December 19th, 2:30 P. M.—Meeting of Food Conservation Unit of the Women's Club at the home of Mrs. E. H. Mays, 175 Slocum Crescent. Subject: "Meat Substitutes."

Monday, December 24th, evening—Annual Christmas Eve Waits.

Tuesday, January 29th, at 8 P. M.—Regular meeting of the Taxpayers' Association in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens.

WOMEN'S CLUB NOTES.

There will be a meeting of the Knitting Unit of the Women's Club on Monday, December 17th, at 2:30 P. M., at the home of Mrs. Lee Galloway, 250 Greenway South.

At the last meeting of the Women's Club it was asked that each member contribute, or make, one helmet for the 163rd Infantry now at Camp Mills.

It is requested that helmets and all other completed garments be returned December 17th, at the latest, to the Knitting Committee.

At the next meeting of the Food Conservation Unit to be held at the home of Mrs. Edward H. Mays, 175 Slocum Crescent, on Wednesday, December 19th, at 2:30 P. M., the subject will be "Meat Substitutes."

PLAYGROUND NOTES.

Notice to parents and children:

The schedule for recreational activities under the supervision of the playleader is as follows:

On days for good skating:

Skating Rink at the Inn, opened for the children of the community (tickets to be procured at the Inn) in the afternoon from 2:30 to 5:30. Children under 14 years of age will not be allowed on the rink in the evening.

On days when the weather does not permit the children to participate in outdoor recreational activities, the following program will be followed:

Monday—War Relief at Sales Office, 3 to 5 P. M.

Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 3 to 5 P. M., and Saturday, 9:30 to 12—A Community room for play will be held in the Kindergarten of Public School 101.

It is planned to set aside one afternoon a week for story-telling and definite plans for this event will be given in the next issue of the Bulletin.

ITALIAN RELIEF FUND.

Mrs. J. H. McPike wishes to express her thanks to those whose generous co-operation enabled her to raise \$100 through the raffling of a Navajo rug and \$25 for a knitting bag, the proceeds of which, with an additional donation of \$5 (amounting to 1,000 lire—a premium of 350 lire on account of the low rate of Italian exchange) were forwarded to Rome for the Italian Relief Fund. Miss Linetta Farrand held the winning number for the rug and Mrs. W. W. Crawford for the bag.

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. Sunday School at 9.45 o'clock. Sermon at 11 o'clock. Greenway South, near Ascan Avenue.

Church-in-the-Gardens—Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10 o'clock; sermon at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday at 7:30 P. M. in Social Room. Greenway North and Ascan Avenue.

Church of Forest Hills (undenominational)—Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10 o'clock; sermon at 11 o'clock; Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday at 6.45 P. M. Seminole Avenue and Gown Street.

CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS.

Tomorrow morning Dr. Kent is to preach the historical sermon at the Fortieth Anniversary of the Lewis Avenue Church, Brooklyn. Of those forty years he has been connected with the Church nearly thirty, as active pastor for twenty-five years and pastor-emeritus four years and a half. Rev. George T. Scott will preach in the Church-in-the-Gardens.

The increased interest in the Sunday School continues. The attendance is nearly 100 every Sunday. The Christmas Committee is getting ready for another White Gift Christmas in a modified form. The celebration will be in the afternoon of the Sunday before Christmas.

Of the nine members welcomed into fellowship at the last communion four came from the Euclid Avenue Church, Cleveland, two from Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, two from the Baptist Church, East Orange, and one on confession of faith.

The last benevolent offering for the year will be made at the morning service tomorrow. It will be for the "Home for the Aged" in Flatbush.

ST. LUKE'S MISSION.

The sale at the Inn on Monday afternoon and evening, December 10th, under the auspices of the Women's Guild of St. Luke's Mission, was both an artistic and financial success.

In the afternoon, in the sun parlor, tables displayed temptingly fancy articles, cakes, etc., which were liberally patronized. In the evening a novel feature of cards brought the men to join the women. The drawing room was almost filled with tables, and a brilliant and charming company greatly enjoyed the evening. A fine donation of books enabled the hostesses to give a book to each lady as a souvenir. A 11 o'clock all were invited into the sun parlor for sandwiches and coffee. Later Lieutenant Harvey T. Warren mounted a table to auction off some remaining articles. He clearly showed that he was able to command purses as well as men. When the drawing room had been cleared, an informal dance closed an exceptionally pleasant evening.

Much credit is due the members of the Guild for the success of the evening. The Vicar, who came up from Camp Upton especially for the occasion, not only enjoyed meeting his friends and parishioners, but takes this opportunity to thank the members of the Guild and all who thus assisted the Mission to create a sum of more than \$400 for its benefit.

Many inquiries were addressed to the Vicar as to the time of his return to Forest Hills. He has accepted the Bishop's urgent call to be his Chaplain at Camp Upton for six months from December 1st. From time to time he will be in town to see his parishioners. In about a week he hopes to be located in Camp, attached to one of the regiments as a volunteer chaplain, as co-worker with the Rev. Dr. Manning, rector of Trinity Parish, New York City, for the Episcopal Church. The Vicar's address at present is Long Island Hotel, Centre Moriches, L. I.