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HOME OF EDWARD VAN WAGENEN.

Featured above is the home of Edward Van Wagenen.

Located as it is on the corner of Markwood and Upshaw Roads, the house is peculiarly well situated in regard to the arrangement of plans and general design. The long, sloping gable towards Upshaw Road has been well studied in its relation to the roof of the front porch and the tile hood of the front entrance. The house is an adaptation of the English villa type, constructed of hollow tile blocks, faced with light grey stucco and with roof of red and brown tiles.

Nelson and Von Wagenen were the architects.

NEW APARTMENT HOUSES.

An elevator apartment house of the highest class is to be built at the corner of Tennis Place and Dartmouth street, Forest Hills Gardens, on the plot of land coming from the present Inn apartment building to the corner opposite the West Side Tennis Place. All arrangements should be completed as soon as the Sage Foundation Homes Company have approved the plans. The ideals of the Gardens will be carried out. In the near future the Bulletin will have further particulars with possibly a plan and view of the building.

KEW GARDENS COUNTRY CLUB.

A delegation of our Gardenites attended the opening of the splendid new Club House in Kew Gardens last week. The Club House is an attractive three-story building in the Tudor Gothic style, fronting on Lefferts Avenue. The property was purchased by a syndicate of members; the cost has been about \$100,000. The Club contains a large lounging and billiard room, bowling alleys, a squash court, dining rooms, and special accommodations for women members. The new tennis courts will be open in the spring.

GARDENS CLUB ACTIVITIES.

A new "annual event" has been entered on the Club's calendar, the Governor's Ball, to be tendered by the Board of Governors of the Club to the members and residents of the Gardens. The ball will be held on Saturday evening, March 3rd, and, Dame Rumor has it, will be a highly original and enjoyable affair.

The bowling season will culminate in a handicap bowling tournament. All desiring to enter should send their names and averages to J. T. Warder, Chairman of the Tournament Committee, before March 1st, when the drawings will be made.

On Monday, February 18th, at Englewood the team of the Englewood Field Club won the first of the series of Inter-Club bowling matches, taking two out of three games. A return match on the Gardens alleys will be played soon.

"ARMY HUT NIGHT".

Plans are rapidly progressing which will make "Army Hut Night" an event in War Relief. The work of soliciting the 10" x 14" pillows for field hospital and ambulance use is practically completed and has such enthusiastic support of our entire community that we are assured of fully 5000. It is persistently rumored that a Scout "corporation" on the North Side has some 3000 pillows in the making, and that a "Midget Corporation" will furnish another 300. The supply of 260 yards of muslin covering at the Sales Office of the Homes Company was disposed of the first day. However, at this writing, there is a consignment in stock which will meet ordinary demands. Now the question is, if we bring the 5000 pillows into the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, as planned, what will we do with the people? The Boy and Girl Scouts will put on an entertainment of widely diversified nature and promising interest. The opening scene in the "Army Hut" will be true to the actual, and provides a vaudeville sketch for the benefit of "Soldiers" who have lately arrived and are departing for the "Trenches". Rev. Philip A. Swartz will be in charge as "Camp Secretary". A group of Canadian songs, by Miss Lettice Drope of Canada, who has two brothers in the trenches, will be followed by skits in costume by the Girl Scouts of both Troops. After the address by Miss Carita Spencer, Chairman National Surgical Dressings Committee, there follows a social period, with sundry refreshments to be had. Don't miss it. Everybody's coming. Admission of 25 cents will go to the fund being raised by each Scout Troop towards the support of a fatherless child in France.

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WIDE USE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Permission has been granted by the Board of Education for the use of the kindergarten room after school hours for the residents of Forest Hills. Local organizations are invited to make arrangements for available time through the office of the Community Secretary.

MILITARY HOSPITAL NURSING.

Miss Jessup, who for the past two years has been a hospital nurse in the American Ambulance in Paris and also in Siberia, will give a course of ten lectures on Military Hospital Nursing.

Dr. Gallant has kindly offered his office and all the necessary paraphernalia for the work. Miss Jessup will give the money derived from her lectures to the American Red Cross. The fee for the course is five dollars. It is important that those wishing to take the course will register promptly for either Wednesday or Thursday in the afternoon, or Thursday evening. Please notify Mrs. Jacobs at the War Relief Work or Miss Anne Smith, at the Inn.

POLICE NOTICES.

Section 12 of Chapter 24—Article 2 of the City Ordinances—referring to the proper display of lights on automobiles, horse-drawn vehicles and bicycles is to be given special attention by the local police.

Local automobile owners should promptly reassure themselves that the provisions of this section of the code are properly complied with.

Quiet warnings are being given that the Police Department is preparing to institute action against the owners of dogs who do not keep their animals properly muzzled, pursuant to Sec. 17—Chapter 20—Sanitary Code. A mere strap over the nose has been held by the Courts not to be a proper muzzle. Because of the many complaints registered against dogs running loose, without proper muzzles or no muzzles at all, we are advised prompt action will be taken by the Police Department. Dog owners, therefore, in order to avoid being served with a summons, should see that their dogs are equipped with a muzzle of an approved type.

The Homes Company recently sold the 48 acres owned by them at Jamaica to Frank C. and Samuel T. Wolfe, of Allentown, Pa., who propose to develop the tract and sell it in building lots. The property has an 1800 frontage on Sutphin Road and a 1600 frontage on the south side of Lincoln Avenue.

MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION PLANS.

S. H. Eckman.

The Chairman of the Anti-Mosquito Committee attended the annual meeting of the New Jersey Mosquito Extermination Commission at Atlantic City, N. J., the last week in January. The session lasted two days and papers were read by the foremost mosquito fighters of the country, showing progress made during the past year. All reports were extremely encouraging. The Conservation Commission of New Jersey proposes that the State shall spend \$200,000 annually for five years and this sum in addition to a similar amount now being spent by the Counties there, will guarantee the entire elimination of the pest in the State made famous, or infamous, by the little biters.

Practically no one in the areas where extensive mosquito extermination has been done, questions the success of the work or doubts the practicability of the entire extermination of the pest.

Our Local Problems.

A representative of the New York Department of Health told how over 4,000,000 ft. of drainage ditches have been dug in Jamaica Bay, the work terminating January 1st. About 1,000,000 ft. more are to be dug shortly to entirely clean up our greatest breeding area. It was promised that Flushing Bay, Kissena Park and Gatman Swamp would be drained before next summer. There then remains for us only the local fresh water mosquito problem. This is the work effectively prosecuted last summer by the Forest Hills Taxpayers Committee through the employment of Mr. Folausbec, who began work in June. This year, with the salt marsh mosquitoes almost eliminated, the results of the local work will be much more apparent. Our local inspector should be engaged now to begin his work of doing away with all possible breeding places for the troublesome mosquito, *Culex Pipiens*, which bothers us so much at night in the houses and develops only in fresh water in our immediate neighborhood.

Flies.

We also propose to give considerable attention to the reduction of the fly pest. Progress on this work was made last summer and this year we should accomplish much more along this line. The presence of flies is a disgrace to a community. They develop only in decayed vegetable and animal matter. We can do away with 90 per cent. of our flies this year if we start soon enough. The cost is trifling.

The Committee must raise \$1,000 at once if its work is to be effective. Every resident on both sides of the track should send his check for ten dollars or at least five, to H. P. Daniels, (No. 20 Markwood Road) Treasurer, at once. The Committeemen give their time and money. You should not let others carry the whole load. Please *Do it Now*.

The Girl Scout entertainment announced for Washington's Birthday has been indefinitely postponed.

The West Side Tennis Club will again stage the National Singles Championship Games. The tournament will begin on August 30th.

An experienced teacher would like to tutor one or two children or read to an invalid for two hours in the afternoon. Address Miss Mary T. Cleghorn, Church Street, Richmond Hill, L. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunt Robinson, who have been renting the Springer house on Ascan avenue, have bought one of the twin houses—the one nearest Puritan avenue, on Greenway North.

Miss Blanche Taylor, of Cincinnati, O., and Miss Eillian W. LeBlanc, of Jersey City, N. J., were guests over the week-end of Mr. and Mrs. George C. LeBlanc, at their home on Puritan Avenue.

Mr. Basil D'Emo, of New York City, a brother of Leon D'Emo, of Ascan avenue, has recently purchased property in the Gardens, and it hoped he will locate here.

The Program Meeting of the Women's Club which was to have been given February 7th will be held in the near future and will be one of the most important meetings of the year.

Mr. and Mrs. David G. Latshaw, who have long been property owners in the Gardens, have purchased the middle house in the new stucco group on Summer street. Mr. Latshaw is prominent in Y.M.C.A. work among industrial men.

Robert M. Harriss, who recently bought the Pomroy residence on Greenway North, has purchased a half interest in the block of buildings and garage at the corner of Continental Avenue and Austin Street, from Gerald MacDonald.

Mrs. Louis Litt, of Groton street, entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club on Lincoln's Birthday. The table decorations were red, and beautiful souvenirs of red satin heart-shaped boxes filled with candy, were given to each guest. Light refreshments were served.

A COMMUNITY SECRETARY.

The employment of a Community Secretary is an advance step in our community life that has possibilities of great usefulness. The Secretary will not only organize and direct the play life of our children and young people, but will correlate and care for many of the details of the various civic organizations. All community activities will clear through her office and much duplication of effort be avoided. The troublesome but necessary financial campaigns will be systematized and related in a way to minimize the inconvenience incident to them. Some useful activities which have lagged because there was no one with sufficient time to promote them, will be kept active by the efforts of the Secretary; and not the least of the blessings, it might be possible to have the committee directing the Secretary's work become an organization to prevent further organizations from being inflicted upon us. The Secretary, (Miss Anne Smith) has an office at 27 Greenway Terraces, telephone Forest Hills 6200.

The Secretary's budget will be undertaken jointly by the Taxpayers, Women's Club, Audubon Society and Homes Company.

THE INN.

Stanton Clarke, of Detroit, Mich., spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Farrand.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Reynolds are entertaining Mr. Reynold's mother, who is stopping over for a few days before starting on an extended trip.

S. B. L. Penrose, of Walla Walla, Wash., had luncheon on Thursday last with his friend, Archdeacon Nichols.

Mrs. S. F. B. Morse, of New York City, and her sister, Mrs. Worthington Stuart, of Cincinnati, O., were guests at the Inn on Thursday last.

Among the recent arrivals at the Inn are Miss M. Johnson, of New York City; Frank V. Ross, of Boston, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wright, of Forest Hill's Gardens, and Miss Jessie Willets, of Atlantic City, N. Y.

Miss Grace Coxe Bland, who has been a guest at the Inn this winter, was married on Tuesday last, at twelve o'clock noon, in the Chantry of St. Thomas' Church, New York City, to Charles Field Griffen, a prominent real estate man of New York City. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Griffen will be at home in Mamareneck, N. Y.

ARDEN EDDY.

The community was profoundly shocked and saddened last Sunday afternoon when word came that Arden, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sherwood Eddy, had died of pneumonia after a brief illness while attending school at Pottstown, Pennsylvania.

Arden had lived for fourteen bright, happy years; he was a real boy with every promise of developing into a fine man. He was winsome, manly, courageous and very affectionate, the type of boy it is easy to love.

The funeral service was held on Monday afternoon at his home on Greenway North. One hesitates to use the word "funeral" in describing a service in which the note of triumphant faith was so pronounced. It began with the hymn, "The sands of time are sinking" which Arden sang at school with his schoolmates, and which all joined in singing. After the reading of several scripture selections proclaiming the victory of life over death, and prayer by Dr. Kent, who conducted the service, Mrs. Kaighn, accompanied by Mrs. Le Blanc, sang two solos. This was followed by a brief address by Dr. Kent, and a beautiful appeal by Mr. Kaighn, Arden's Sunday-school superintendent and intimate friend. To the Boy Scouts of which troop Arden was a member. He read from the book of daily readings, his father had given to him, the last selection that Arden had read, after which all sang "Just as I am." The casket was borne from the house on the shoulders of his comrades, the Scouts, and will rest in Maple Grove Cemetery.

COMING EVENTS.

Tuesdays, 2.30. Sales Office. Meeting of War Relief Committee of the Women's Club. Women of the Community cordially invited.

Saturday, February 24th, 8 P. M. Meeting of the Junior Social Club.

Sunday, February 25th, 8 p. m. At the home of Mrs. Rufus G. Angell. Meeting of the Gardens Players. Address by Howard Kyle.

Tuesday, February 27th, 8 P. M. Church of Forest Hills. Meeting of Taxpayers' Association. Address by Dr. S. Dana Hubbard, of the New York Board of Health. Public cordially invited.

Wednesday, February 28, 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. At the Chemist Shop. Apron sale. Public invited to attend.

Friday, March 2, 8 P. M. Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. "Army Hut Night" for War Relief. Auspices of Boy and Girl Scouts. Admission 25 cents. Public cordially invited.

Saturday, March 3, 8 P. M.. Gardens Club. Governors' Ball tendered to the members of the Club and the residents of the Gardens.

Monday, March 5, 2.30 P. M. At the home of Mrs. Edward H. Mays, 176 Sloeum Crescent. Meeting of English Literature Class. Topic, "Lady Gregory." Leader, Mrs. Phanor Eder.

Tuesday, March 6th, 8 P. M. Residence of Mrs. Austin K. Hanks, 101 Sloeum Crescent, musical for benefit of the Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens. Admission 50 cents. Tickets can be purchased from Mrs. N. F. Holch, 80 Ascan Avenue, or at the Chemist Shop.

Wednesday, March 7th, 2 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens. Meeting of Women's Club. Address by Cecil Davis. "Spring Bulbs".

Friday, March 9th, 2.30 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens, meeting of Women's Guild. Topic, "Porto Rico", led by Mrs. S. W. Eckman. Hostesses, Mrs. F. R. Getz and Mrs. Wm. F. Ortgies.

Monday, March 19, 2.30 P. M. At the home of Mrs. Mandeville, 96 Ibis street, Meeting of English Literature classes. Topic, "J. M. Barrie." Leader, Mrs. Rufus Angell.

Thursday, April 12th. Four one-act plays. The Gardens Players. Members only.

George F. Baker, of West Barrington, R. I., has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Edward H. Mays, Sloeum Crescent.

Mrs. Roy H. Benham, of Orchard Gardens, Minn., recently visited her sister, Mrs. Raymond P. Kaighn, of Seasongood Road.

The increase over last January in revenue from monthly tickets at the local office of the Long Island Railroad is \$1,260.00 or about 30%.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES.

Christian Science Services will be held Sundays at 11 o'clock at 173 Continental Avenue. Public cordially invited.

SUNDAY SCHOOL—Church-in-the-Gardens.

Tomorrow is missionary Sunday. A special collection will be taken. W. P. McCulloch will give a brief talk with special bearing on Arden Eddy's life.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS.

At the February meeting of the Board of Trustees, James Rea was elected Chairman and W. P. McCulloch Financial Secretary. A Finance Committee, consisting of the Financial Secretary, Mr. Eckman and Mr. Flint, was appointed. The March meeting of the Board will be at the home of Dr. Getz.

Dr. Charles E. Burton will preach in the Church-in-the-Gardens Sunday morning, February 25th. His subject will be, "Modern Prophets." Dr. Burton is a splendid preacher and all who come will hear a fine sermon.

A series of sermons suggested by some of the books written from a religious point of view upon the great war by men of strong faith, large vision and keen insight will be preached by Dr. Kent Sunday mornings during March. The general subject will be, "The Dawn of a Better Day." The first sermon will be based on Sherwood Eddy's new book, "Suffering and the War."

Dr. Kent is to address the Richmond Hill Sunday School Association in Pilgrim Church Monday night, the 26th, on "The Wit and Humor of the Bible."

LENT AT ST. LUKE'S.

Lent began on Ash Wednesday, February 21st and ends Easter Even, April 7th. Services Sundays, 8, 11 and 5; week days, Tuesdays 5 P. M., Thursdays 8 P. M., Fridays 11 A. M. Special preacher Thursday, March 1st, the Rev. G. E. Talmage, Rector Christ Church, Oyster Bay.

"Lent is a season of self-denial that has been observed from the early Christian era as a following of the example of our Blessed Lord's fasting of forty days in the desert. It is a season of special devotion. It is a season of special prayer, fasting and charitable deeds."

Our excellent organist, Arthur Miller, has consented to hold rehearsals at the Chapel on Fridays, at 8 P. M. All interested singers are cordially invited to join his choir and will profit by his skilled training. Special Easter offering for the Building Fund.

We are happy to announce that our parishioners contributed last Sunday to the great Church Pension Fund, in cash and pledge, the goodly sum of one hundred and eighty-seven dollars. It is hoped that others may subscribe, either by cash or pledges, to bring the amount up to three hundred dollars for the Mission.

AUDUBON NOTES.

A generous gift of suet from Mr. O'Reilly has made it possible to refill the 15 bird food holders which the Society has placed in the various parts of the Gardens.

Now is the time for all owners of bird boxes to be alert against the sparrows and starlings. They are already house hunting and in order to keep them out of the quarters reserved for the more favored birds it may be necessary to temporarily close the entrance holes.

The first real robin spring song was heard last Sunday but we have had the robins with us all winter, an unusual occurrence in this part of the country.