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FOREST HILLS MILITARY COMPANY.

#### MILITARY AFFAIRS.

At the meeting on Monday night, April 2, the following civilian officers of the Forest Hills Rifle Club were elected: T. H. Todd, President; J. J. Sheahan, Vice-President; C. A. Perry,, Secretary; William H. Woods, Treasurer; L. W. Renfrew, Executive Officer.

These civilian officers acting as the executive committee for the club then appointed the following permanent commissioned officers: A. T. Shurick, Executive Captain; H. A. Smith, Honorary Captain; T. J. B. Lang, First Lieutenant; F. L. Holmes, Second Lieutenant.

At the drill Wednesday night the following list of permanent appointments of non-commissioned officers was published: M. K. McGrath, First Sergeant; C. A. Perry, Quartermaster Sergeant; W. R. Bell, S. S. Ringold and J. Messinger Corporals.

The remainder of the non-commissioned officers will be appointed from time to time until the list is complete.

Organization as a unit of National Rifle Club was completed and steps will be taken to secure rifles and ammunition as soon as possible. Several committees were appointed including one to consider an offer from the ladies to make a flag for the club, another to consider an anonymous offer to buy a machine gun for the company and a third to investigate the matter of a rifle range.

The enrollment now amounts to about 100 and the Committee on Enlistments is starting an active campaign and is confident of increasing this to 200 very shortly.

Practically the whole company is now in uniform.

#### FLAG FOR THE MILITARY COMPANY

Mrs. T. W. Spence of the Inn, by virtue of her membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution and other patriotic societies, has requested the privilege of presenting a flag to the military company.

At the suggestion of the flag committee it has been decided to ask the cooperation of any other women who may care to participate in this move. All interested should communicate with Mrs. Spence immediately.

### ANTI MOSQUITO WORK BEGUN

M. J. Follensbee, the expert who served two years for the Union County Commission in New Jersey, and who served so acceptably in Forest Hills last year, will supervise mosquito and fly extermination work for the season. Much emphasis will be put on the work to mitigate the nuisance of flies. The day Mr. Follensbee began work, the first of the fly hibernators our residents have been so carefully keeping over winter, made their appearance.

At the recent meeting of the Interstate Committee at Dr. Emerson's office it was announced that all of the city work was either completed or under contract. The contract work now under way includes 600,000 ft. of ditches in the Flushing Meadows, the draining of Guttman swamp, and an additional 1,000,000 ft. of ditching in Jamaica marshes. There is also an appropriation of \$35,000. to keep the ditches open and in repair.

With proper diligence on the part of the residents of this part of Long Island we should be practically free from these iniquitous little disturbers of peace and quiet.

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#### "ALONG THE BATTLE LINE"

Lecture by Miss Gertrude Robinson-Smith.

There are not many live Americans who have not wished to get across the ocean to places where history, just made and being made, grips the world's vitals! Of all the talks, articles, tales, and pictures that have poured information upon an avid public, nothing has brought the war scene quite so close to us as the flashlights in speech and the snap shots and moving pictures of Miss Robinson-Smith's lecture. Miss Robinson-Smith, as Chairman of the Flotilla Committee, went to France to see the workings of the five groups of motor cars supplied in response to Mrs. Edith Wharton's "twice-blessed" suggestion. Each flotilla consists of five cars, one carrying a portable operating room, with radioscopic apparatus requiring only two hours to set up; another, a powerful electric lighting and heating installation; a third, a laundry capable of handling 600 pounds of soiled linen at a time; a fourth, a drying van; and a fifth, among other things, an installation for shower baths, disinfection, destruction of vermin, sterilizing of drinking water. The American Committee raised \$68,527. The audience saw the flotilla in action; one douche car blossomed into its huge bath tents. From Bordeaux, where French soldiers on leave overwhelmed the American with their gratitude, to Verdun, where to the sound of bursting shells she explored ruins under a vigorous bombardment, Miss Robinson-Smith took her audience with her.

Generously, with the friendly touch that unites audience and talker, she poured out the dynamic experience. In all the talk there was no note of pessimism; the serenity, the assurance, the courage, of the French, with the perfection of their organization and the brains behind that organization, woke a high response to the speaker's own enthusiasm. The pictures taken as a historic record by the Service de Sante of the French Army are a poignant revelation of pluck and reconstructive skill. Men shorn of an arm, of a leg, of both arms and legs, victims of every mutilation a human body can survive, were seen actually at work, keen, quick, merry, at self-supporting labor. The arts and the crafts, agriculture, were all there—crippled tailors, painters, diggers in the soil, looking up from jig saw or barrow with a smile.

It is not every audience that refuses to disperse and remains demanding "more" from a quarter after eight till half after ten. They were held by something better than a superficial interest. Senseless masses of stone that have once been homes, churches, hospitals; places where happy folk have met for peaceful pleasures, may lie accusing under skies smoky with battle, but there are worse things than dead cities and devastated farms. Out of that incredible waste, life comes to fire our courage and warm our muchtried faith. The French have proved that democracy is not a failure.

A. M. S.

#### TAX RATE.

The 1917 tax rate for Queens is three points higher than last year. The increase from \$2.06 to \$2.09 is caused by the item of special Borough assessments amounting to \$301,886. All other Boroughs enjoy a decrease of from one to two points. We should say, however, that it is worth the difference to live here.

It will cost \$337,000 to widen and regrade the six and one-seventh miles of Queens Boulevard.

The new house on Puritan Avenue, facing Ingram Street, has been sold to Dr. John F. Hill, 737 Eighth Avenue, Manhattan. Dr. Hill expects to move in about April 15th.

#### PLEDGE LOYALTY

The following telegram was sent on Tuesday night to President Wilson:

"We, the Citizens of Forest Hills Long Island, in meeting assembled under the auspices of the Women's National League for Service, do hereby extend our warmest congratulations, and deepest gratitude for the message you delivered to the Congress and the people of the United States and the world.

We offer you our loyal service both as individuals, and as a community. Wherever you lead, we will follow."

(Signed) Mrs. Lyman Beecher Stowe, Chairman.

#### WOMEN'S CLUB

The Gardens Chapter of the Women's Club announces a lecture on "Preparedness in Vegetable Garden" by Maurice Field, on Saturday evening, April 21st in the lecture room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. Admission free. All are welcome.

The Gardens Chapter of the Women's Club will give a Garden Fete at the Club House on Tuesday, May 15th, at 8 o'clock. An interesting program is planned; refreshments and general dancing. Tickets for adults \$1.00; children 50 cents. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Club; also from the Chairman, Mrs. V. Hattemer.

#### SCOUT NEWS.

At the command of Borough Scout Commissioner John E. Weir every Scout Troop in Queens assembled at 3.30 P. M., last Saturday. Due partially to accident Troops 1 or 2 were not able to report 100% present at roll call in the Station Square. There were present, however, thirty Scouts ready for any duty which, in time of trouble, might be assigned to them.

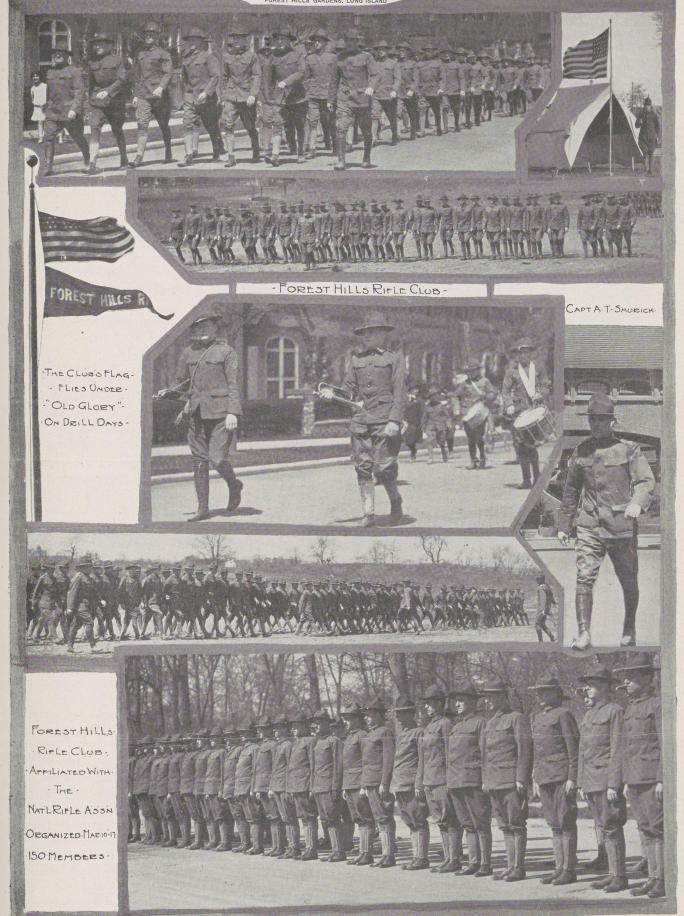
On Friday night last Dr. Paul S. Barrett gave the Scouts of Troop 1 a very interesting and instructive lesson on first aid work in all its branches. This is one of the essential requirements for the rank of 1st Class Scout, toward which the boys are working.

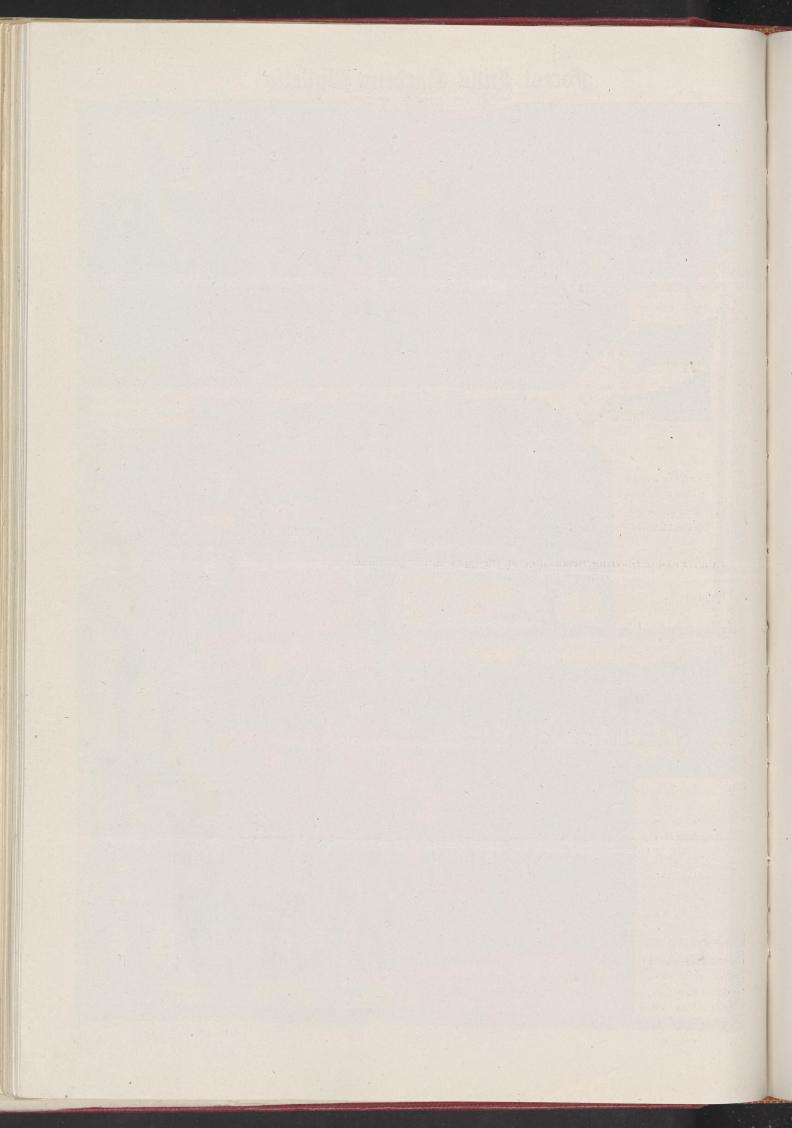
#### AUDUBON NOTES.

During the past week an opportunity was given to the school children and their parents to view every-day some fifty stuffed birds of varieties actually staying in the Gardens. The kindergarten room of the school house was changed into a small Natural History Museum; and the numerous pictures of birds and insects, the charts and pamphlets illustrating bird houses, bird foods and nests, furnished splendid material for a study of our local birds. For these exhibits we are indebted to the Children's Museum of Brooklyn, the Natural History Museum of New York, and the National Audubon Society.

With a view of showing what kind of birds seek nesting boxes, an exhibit is displayed in a window of the Flower Shop. Many of these birds are already familiar to owners of bird houses, and with increased interest of the community we may yet hope to see the arrival of a colony of martins or watch the graceful tree swallow flit in and out of a Berleptsch

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#### NEW MANAGER FOR INN

W. H. Barse, manager of the Hotel Nassau at Long Beach, has been appointed manager of the Inn vice Misses Gillan and Edwards resigned. Misses Gillan and Edwards have purchased the Edgewood Inn at Greenwich, Connecticut.

#### GIRL SCOUT NOTES.

The Senior Troop will have, on the 10th, at the residence of Mr. John Brewer, a home coming party for Margaret Eddy when she returns from school at Dana Hall, near Boston.

Newly elected Scouts are Dorothy Smith, Eugenia Hopkins, Ethel Guiler, Anna McGirr and Ruth Roeschlaub.

The Junior Troop had its first full day's hike yesterday, going out Queens Road and returning by way of Hillside Avenue.

The class in clay modelling has closed for the season and the time on Tuesdays will be given over to outdor sports. Military drill under Mrs. Ernest Mecabe will be part of the scout work.

The State of New York has put a camp site on Bear Mountain at the disposal of the Girl Scout authorities and given material for suitable buildings. Our local scouts plan to camp there the last week in July and the first week in August.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR WOMEN'S SERVICE

There will be a representative of the National League for Women's Service at the Inn every Friday and Monday in April, from 4 to 6 P. M., to give detailed information and to register the women of Forest Hills. The State Association will include (in the complete census to be taken) all women; those who find it impossible to give any time to public service, those who can give a little time, and those who can give time in days or half days. "If you think you may be able to give an hour a week" said the State Chairman, "just tell us that you will try to give that." Those who heard her clear, vigorous, consise but comprehensive account of the meaning and purpose of the League will want to "line up". Those who did not may be interested in the object of the League as briefly set forth in the official blank.

"To coordinate and standardize the work of women of America along lines of Constructive Patriotism; to develop the resources and to promote the efficiency of women in meeting their every-day responsibilities to Home, to State, to Nation and to Humanity; to co-operate with the Red Cross and other agencies in meeting any calamity—fire, flood, famine, economic disorder, etc., and in time of war to supplement the work of the Red Cross, the Army and Navy, and to deal with questions of women's work and women's welfare."

#### THE INN.

Miss Ella Van Steenbergh, who has been spending the winter at the Inn, has returned to her home in Rhinebeck, N.

Miss Bonnie Henkle has returned to the Inn after a winter spent at Palm Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Richard H. Dana has returned after a visit of several weeks in Washington, D. C., where she attended the Inauguration.

Irving G. Hopkins, of Williams College, has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hopkins, for a few

Frank A. Hammond, the representative of Olmsted Brothers, of Brookline, Mass., spent several days of the past week at the Inn.

Mrs. J. H. Torney and Miss Torney have returned to their home in Montclair, N. J., after an extended visit to the Inn.

Mrs. Lylian Richmond, of Brooklyn, is making a short stay at the Inn

Miss Amma F. Coote is spending a week with friends in New London.

Mrs. Emma Springs has returned after a delightful winter spent at Palm Beach and Miami.

Miss Peggy Crawford is spending her Easter vacation with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Crawford. Miss Marion Holmes has returned to the Bennett School

at Milbrook, N. Y., after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Messenger are spending a week at Peconic, L. I.

Mrs. T. W. Spence has returned to the Inn after an ex-

tended visit to her home in Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Willard have returned to their home at Fisher's Island after spending the winter at the Inn.

E. L. Penfrase, who has been appointed Director of Salesmen of the J. L. Mott Iron Works, left on Saturday last to visit several western cities. Both Mr. and Mrs. Penfrase will be missed by their numerous friends in the Gardens. They will make their future home in Trenton, N. J.

Mrs. C. P. Jacobs has been visiting Miss Mollie Trowbridge at Eastford, Conn., for a few weeks.

Mrs. C. B. Judson has returned from a visit to New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. Austin K. Hanks, of Slocum Crescent, has returned from a three weeks' stay at the Roycroft Inn, East Aurora,

George Agutter, the West Side Tennis expert, who has been at Palm Beach during the past winter, will live in the Comerford Martin house during the coming summer. C. B. Fuller has returned from Philadelphia.

H. Conway saw the premier presentation of his latest playlet at the Harlem Opera House on Tuesday last.

Clarence Perry gave an illustrated talk before the Men's Club on Saturday last on his experiences at Plattsburg.

The Famous Players Company staged a film play in the Gardens last week. The Inn, the West Side Tennis Club House, the Church-in-the-Gardens, and Homer Croy's house were used as settings for various scenes. Marguerite Clark was featured as the star.

The Long Island Railroad earned over \$241,000 last year as compared with a deficit of \$161,000 in 1915. There were 45,802,722 passengers carried at a net revenue of less than one mill per passenger per mile.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Robinson were greatly shocked to learn of the death of Mr. Robinson on March 20th, at St. Petersburg, Fla., where they had gone for the winter, hoping the delightful climate there would restore Mr. Robinson to health. The funeral services were held in Cincinnati, after which Mrs. Robinson went to Louisville, Ky., which is her home.

At the last meeting of the Taxpayers' Association President Lyman Beecher Stowe was authorized to call a meeting of representatives of all organizations which would be likely to take any part in the work for the common good in case of war. The plan is to have the community present a comprehensive and well thought-out plan of work.

#### COMING EVENTS.

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

Sundays. 11 A. M. 173 Continental avenue. Christian Science Services. Public cordially invited.

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

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

Wednesdays, 8 P. M. 17 Station Square—Course of five lectures on First Aid by Dr. A. E. Gallant. Auspices of the Society for Instruction in First Aid to the Injured.

Sundays, 9.15 to 10.45 A. M., and Wednesdays 8 P. M., Continental Avenue, near the Inn. Rifle and Drill Corps drill. Men of the community cordially invited.

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

Wednesday, April 18th, 2 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens. Business meeting Women's Club.

Friday, April 13th, 2.30 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens.—Meeting of Women's Guild. Address, "The Moral Equivalents of War," by Miss Janette Trowbridge. Hostesses, Mrs. Homer Croy and Mrs. William A. Winter.

Saturday, April 14th. Social room, Church-in-the-Gardens.—1.30 P. M., first performance; 3.15 second performance. Motion pictures, "Snow White." Auspices of Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens. Admittance, 25 cents.

. Sunday, April 15th, 4.30 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens.— Pipe organ recital by Prof. McAll, of the Estey Company. Auspices of the Music Committee of the Church. Admittance free. Public cordially invited.

Monday, April 16th, 2.30 P. M. Residence of Mrs. Phanors Edar, 64 Groton street.—"Rupert Brooks" discussed by Mrs. E. Schoen; "Josef Conrad" by Mrs. A. M. Gray and Mrs. Lee Galloway.

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Friday, April 20th, 8 P. M., at the home of Dr. Lee Galloway, 250 Greenway South.—Meeting of Men's Club. Speaker, Dr. Galloway.

Friday, April 20th, 8 P. M. Church-in-the-Gardens.— Entertainment by Girl Scouts. Admission 25 cents.

Saturday, April 21st, 8 P. M. Church-inn-the-Gardens.—Address by Maurice Field, "Preparedness in the Vegetable Garden." Auspices Gardens Chapter Women's Club. Admittance free.

Tuesday, April 24th, 8.15 P. M. Church of Forest Hills.— Tarpayers' Association meeting. Speaker, Dr. Headley, State Entomologist of New Jersey and leading authority on mosquito extermination in the United States. Public cordially invited.

Tuesday, May 15th, 8 P. M.—Gardens Club. Garden Fete. Tickets, adults \$1.00. Children 50 cents.

#### WOMEN'S GUILD.

Homer Croy will present "Snow White" in a motion picture entertainment for the benefit of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens, in the social room of the Church, on Saturday afternoon, April 14th. First performance at 1.30 and second performance at 3.15 P. M. Admission 25 cents.

Work on the new apartment houses has begun. We will publish in our new issue a cut and descriptions,

#### ST. LUKE'S MISSION.

Easter Services at 8 and 11 A. M. Holy Communion at the latter service. The choir, under Mr. Arthur Miller's direction, will sing Stanford's Te Deum and Stainer's Communion Service. The Inn Orchestra will also assist. Children's Easter Festival at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Easter Monday and Tuesday services at 10 A. M. Those present Thursday evening, March 29th, were privileged to hear a fine sermon by the Rev. Dr. Hester, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, of Brooklyn. The Rev. Mr. Groves, Rector of Christ Church, Port Washington, made an earnest appeal on Palm Sunday for the Church Charity Foundation in Brooklyn. In response the Mission gave the goodly sum of \$225. We have already given nearly \$70. to the same work.

#### CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS

A triple quartet, under the direction of Mrs. Scammell with Mrs. LeBlanc at the organ, will furnish the special music at the morning service on Easter. There will be infant baptism. The Finance Committee has sent a letter to members of the Church and congregation asking for a generous offering. In the afternoon at four o'clock there will be a service in the Church for the Sunday-School and friends to which all are invited. It has been prepared by Mrs. Sherwood Eddy and is based on the teaching of the lily.

A series of three special afternoon musical services has been planned for the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of April. Mr. McAll, representative of the Estey Organ Company, will give a recital on the 15th, through the courtesy of Rev. Dr. Smith, of Kew Gardens. Mr. George Dickson, the celebrated Canadian tenor, will conduct a song service on the 22nd; and on the 29th the pastor will conduct a service of song, telling of the origin of the best of the Church hymns. The services will begin at 4.30.

At the meeting of the Women's Guild on Friday, the 13th, Mrs. Winter and Mrs. Hemer Croy will be hostesses and Miss Janette Trowbridge will speak on the "Moral Equivalent of War". A cordial invitation to all the women of the church and community.

There will be special music on Easter morning at the Church-in-the-Gardens under the direction of Mrs. Charles H. Scammell. The soloists are Mrs. Wesley W. Crawford, Mrs. Raymond P. Kaighn, George H. Brainard and Mrs. Frederick K. Seward, assisted by a double quartette, composed of the following: Mrs. Clark Brown, Mrs. R. W. Waddell, Mrs. B. B. Nischoff, Mrs. Norman Baker, Albert W. Clark, John Gallagher, Charles H. Scammell, and Robert J. Cole. Mrs. Charles Clifford Miller, Violinist, and Mrs. George C. LeBlanc, Organist. The Easter Anthem, "Christ is Risen" by Louis R. Dressler; also "In the End of the Sabbath", by Will C. MacFarlane; and Easter Carols by Charles Fonteyn Manney, will be sung at this service.