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HOME OF DR. KEYES.

On the corner of Greenway South and Ascan Avenue is the home of Dr. Edward L. Keyes, illustrated in this number of the Bulletin. The house is irregular in plan with the garage attached to the rear wing. Character and individuality mark the exterior design, which shows markedly its adoption from English precedents. This is one of the largest homes in the Gardens, and well merits a little tour of inspection to those interested in the use of stucco and brick combinations of the exterior walls.

Grosvenor Atterbury and John Almy Tompkins 2nd were the architects.

KEW FOREST SCHOOL.

A very attractive prospectus of the new school has been printed and may be had upon application to Principal Louis D. Marriott, Kew Gardens apartments, telephone: Richmond Hill 1130-J. This booklet, under the headings—Location, Building and Equipment, Scholarship, Co-operation of Parents, Scope of Work, Discipline, Records, Religion, Exercise and Play, Transportation, Luncheons and Terms—gives a clear general idea of what the school is to be, with advice that further particulars may be obtained from Mr. Marriott.

An Advisory Council has been formed, having in its membership three residents of the Gardens, namely: David Millar, Chairman, Lyman Beecher Stowe and Rowland H. Smith.

The Fall Term of the school will open on Monday, September 16th at 9 A. M.

HOWARD SPRINGSTEEN WOUNDED.

Sergeant Howard Springsteen, of Company E, 107th Infantry, was wounded in action in France on July 14th. While reported as "seriously wounded," Sergeant Springsteen was sufficiently recovered to write his family on July 18th that he was out of danger. A cable has been received from Stanley Hillman, stating that he and Messrs, Thoms and Young, who had been in action with Sergeant Springsteen, were well.

COAST ARTILLERY.

Frederick K. Seward, of Whitson Street, has been recommended for a Captain in the National Guard of the State, commanding the 9th Company of the 9th Coast Artillery.

The State has ordered all officers of the new National Guard to go into training at Camp Whitman for the month beginning August 31st. Officers of the 8th Company who will go are Captain Pomeroy and Lieutenants Teague and Messenger.

CHILDREN'S DRAMATICS.

On Friday, August 3, the children of the Playground gave two performances of "The Spirit of Autumn," a little play telling the story of a country boy who grew tired of digging and hoeing, and so decided to go to the city. But, the spirit of Autumn with her children, Potato, Apple, Corn, Berry, Wheat, Grass and Pumpkin come to visit him. They tell him their ideas of the city and thus make him soon change his mind and decide to stay in the country.

The children participating were as follows:—Joy Mays, Jane Smith, Denie Claypoole, Kate Lownes, Helen Fay, Eleanor Rountree, Harriet Barnard, Elsie French and Judy Aldrich. After the performance three of the girls sang a group of songs, followed by the "La Marsaillaise" by Gordon Croll and "The Star Spangled Banner" by all.

The proceeds from the play and lemonade table amounted to \$14.22. This will be turned into the Playground Fund to pay for the material, a basketball and football which, we are sorry to report, were taken from the Playground.

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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.

HIS WAR GARDEN.

"Monday—Worked in the garden all day, raking, hoeing, spading."

"Tuesday—Worked in the garden two hours after luncheon."

"Wednesday—Worked in the garden fifteen minutes, then went to a ball game."

Thursday—Went out after dinner and walked around the garden."

"Friday—Looked out of the kitchen window to see if the garden was still there."

"Saturday—Forgot all about it."

And we might add Sunday—took one more look at it, saw how dried up and brown it was, how the bugs had eaten everything; and even the few tomatoes that had set were "measly, dried up specimens," and decided it wasn't worth while. If Monday's example had been followed through the week, Sunday's reflections would have been entirely different.

ARMY AND NAVY COMMISSIONS

W. Leslie Harriss, of Greenway North, has received a commission as Second Lieutenant in the Quartermaster's Department and gone to camp at Newport News. Mrs. Harriss is staying at Old Point Comfort, Va.

Kenneth Judson, of Slocum Crescent, who has just received his commission as Ensign, spent a day in the Gardens last week and then returned to Annapolis to take up his six weeks training course in the officers' school.

AUDUBON NOTES.

In the hot, dry weather, don't forget to give the birds fresh, cool water every day. What they particularly like is to have a fresh stream, such as can be left trickling from a hose. In any event, let the water be kept fresh and the receptacle shallow. Small birds will get most pleasure out of a depth of not more than one inch.

PERSONAL NOTES.

A son, Robert Harvie, Jr., was born to Lieutenant and Mrs. Robert H. Wessmann, of Greenway Terraces, on Wednesday, July 3rd. Lieutenant Wessmann is now in service abroad in the Ordnance Division, Armament Section of the Air Service.

A son, John, was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Skeehean, of Ingram Street, on Sunday, July 28th.

A daughter, Karen Magda, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. W. Hasselriis, of Standish Road, on Thursday, August 1st.

A daughter was born on Thursday, August 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Barlow, of the Gardens Apartments.

Mrs. W. H. Batchellor and her mother, Mrs. George B. Ellinwood, of Greenway North, are spending the summer at Mt. Clemens, Mich.

Dr. A. G. Lansing, of the Gardens Apartments, will be away from his office during the month of August. Miss Rea, who is in charge of the Oral Hygiene, will continue her work on Wednesdays through August 14th and begin again on September 18th.

Camp Dudley, on Lake Champlain, is again the vacation ground of several boys from the Gardens. George Woodard, Charles Goudiss, Howard Ortgies and Oliver Jones are already in camp, while Charles Caldwell is joining them this week-end.

PLAYGROUND.

On Wednesday, July 31, the children of Forest hills who belong to the School Garden Army gathered together at Public School 101 with friends and parents for a simple celebration of the raising of the School Flag.

The Flag stands for their earnest efforts to help win the war by adding to the food production of the country. The Flag has a white background with a red band bordering the inside of the edge, while in the middle in blue is seen the hoe and rake with the initials of the School Garden Army.

The program was opened by a prayer by Dr. Rowland H. Nichols followed by the raising of the Flag and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by all. Other features of the program consisted of the reading by Elsie French of President Wilson's letter in regard to the importance of School Gardens; and an interesting and helpful talk by Mrs. E. H. Mays. The program closed with the singing of "America" by all.

Parents and friends are invited to come and inspect the gardens at their leisure.

THE INN.

Rentals on the new addition to the Inn, which it is hoped will be completed by October 1st, are being made ready and much interest is being shown in the progress of the work. Latest improvements will be shown in the bathrooms, halls, and general furnishings of the rooms and, with offices of the Homes Company on the ground floor of the building, the change from housekeeping apartments to hotel rooms, will fill a much needed demand by the addition of about fifty rooms for the accommodation of hotel guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Smith, with their daughters, Misses Helen and Betty Jane, have arrived from Grand Rapids for their summer stay at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pearson, of Hartford, are among the newcomers at the Inn, where they are visiting their son, L. D. Pearson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brion have left for a two months stay at Lake Mahopac, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Brion will occupy one of the apartments in the new annex upon its completion.

Albert W. Morse has just returned from a week's vacation in the woods of Maine.

Mrs. W. D. Cleveland, of Houston, Texas, is spending a few weeks at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Castleman, with their sons, Godwin and George, have recently come to the Inn where they anticipate spending several months.

Miss Mary Greer, Mrs. Blake and Mrs. Baxter, all of Washington, D. C., have just arrived at the Inn, where they are visiting Miss Greer's sister, Mrs. Edmund Christian.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Pape, of Waco, are at the Inn, having motored all the way from their home town.

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Massey and R. V. Massey, Jr., are among the new arrivals at the Inn, where they hope to remain throughout the coming winter.

Friends of Miss Pearl Spaulding were pleased to have her spend a week-end at the Inn recently.

Among the recent arrivals at the Inn are Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Cowan, of New York City; Mrs. H. T. Cumming, of Rochester, N. Y.; Mr. B. Haight and daughter, Miss Dorothy Haight; C. Morgan, and A. L. Milliron.

AN ARMY DAY AT CAMP UPTON.

Major Payson and his officers of the 1st Batl. 152nd Depot Brigade, recently guests in the Gardens at the Flag Presentation, entertained one hundred residents of the community as their guests for a most enjoyable dinner and afternoon at camp on Thursday, August 8th.

RED CROSS FAIR, SEPTEMBER 12, 13 AND 14.

On Wednesday evening, July 31st, a well-attended meeting was held at the Red Cross House to make plans for the coming Fair.

Mrs. Charles Pope Caldwell called the meeting to order and introduced Mrs. Leon D'Emo, Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, to preside and supervise all arrangements.

It was decided by vote that the dates of the Fair should be postponed to September 12th, 13th and 14th, one week later than formerly announced. Committees were organized with chairmen, as follows:

Ways and Means Committee, Mrs. Leon D'Emo; Entertainment, Mr. W. C. Hartwig; Ballroom and Dancing, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kloetzer; Printing, Messrs. H. P. Pomeroy, C. H. Duling and William H. Wood; Construction, Robert Marsh; Publicity, Mr. Charles Pope Caldwell, Mr. V. E. Engelbach, Secretary; Public Safety, Inspector Thomas J. Kelly; General Supervision, Mrs. Charles Pope Caldwell.

Arrangements have already been made for the following attractions and booths in charge of volunteers, as mentioned below:

Vaudeville Theatre—Mr. W. C. Hartwig.
Dancing Pavilion—Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Kloetzer.
Oriental Bazaar and Refreshments—Mrs. V. E. Engelbach, Mrs. Arthur Guy, Mrs. J. M. Saulpaugh, Jr.
Automobile Drawing—Mr. Charles H. Duling.
Auction Room—Archer Bros., assisted by V. E. Engelbach, secretary.
Druggist Sundries—American Drug Syndicate.
Candies and Sweets—Mrs. W. Meyer.
Fancy Work—Mrs. M. Backus.
Practical Sundries—Mrs. Charles Johnson.
Jellies and Preserves—Mrs. Aleck Weir.
Cakes, Pies and Bread—Mrs. J. A. McFarlan.
Flowers, Plants, Etc.—Mrs. Charles Pope Caldwell and Mrs. Robert Whyte.
Fruit and Vegetables—Mrs. E. Backus.
Novelties—Mrs. E. Wye.
Automobile Supplies—Mrs. H. P. Bogart.
Children's Clothing—Mr. H. P. Pomeroy.
Old-fashioned Articles—Mr. C. H. Duling.
Lemonade—Mrs. J. B. Snow.
Smokes—Mrs. C. E. Kloetzer.
Toilet Articles—Miss Macdonald.
Doll and Xmas Toy Booth—Mrs. J. M. Demarest and Mrs. Leon D'Emo.

Other attractions, too numerous to mention, are already being planned, including an old-time Circus, a Merry-Go-Round for the children and street vendors, to be portrayed by certain well-known residents of Forest Hills.

Mr. Hartwig promises some most novel and attractive features for his theatre, where many familiar fun-makers will appear; Mrs. Kloetzer will entertain in a surprise feature and one of Broadway's best attractions has promised to give Forest Hills the benefit of his services.

Big things are to be the order of the day. Gown street, from the Red Cross House to the Boulevard, is to be entirely covered by tent canopies, approximately three hundred feet long by forty feet broad. The adjacent open fields will be well filled-in with attractions for the children, large and small. Mr. Duling has contracted for a five-passenger forty horse-power Buick for which chances will be sold at one dollar per share.

This coming three-day Fair is one more opportunity to do a big thing in a big way and make the event a decided help to Red Cross work in Forest Hills.

COMING EVENTS.

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

Tuesdays at 8 P. M., at the Sales Office of the Homes Company.—Meeting of the Chess, Checkers and Whist Club.

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

Tuesday Afternoons, 3:30, Public School 101.—Girls' Sewing Class.

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

Week days, except Saturday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., at the Meyer house—Red Cross work room open. All welcome.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—School War Garden Work. P. S. 101, from 9 to 11 A. M.; P. S. No. 3 from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M. For all school children.

Wednesday, July 31st, at 10 A. M.—Raising of the School Garden Flag. Children and parents invited.

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 12th, 13th and 14th—Red Cross Country Fair.

The Homes Company requires the services of an office boy. Any one in the vicinity who might be interested should see Mr. McGahie for particulars.

WEST SIDE CHAMPIONSHIP.

In the finals of the Class A Tournament for the championship of the West Side Tennis Club, completed last Sunday, Ralph Gatcomb defeated E. W. Mecabe in a hard-fought four-set match.

CHURCH OF FOREST HILLS.

Services in the Church of Forest Hills on Seminole Avenue have been suspended until Fall.

CHILDREN'S MASS MEETING.

Tuesday Morning, August 13th, at 10:30 o'clock—Mass meeting of the Children of the Community on the Playground. In case of rain the meeting will take place in the Kindergarten room of Public School No. 101.

PLAYGROUND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

In addition to the list of subscriptions to the Playground Fund published in the last Bulletin, checks have been received from the following: Mrs. C. G. Pearce, Mr. Eugene Schoen and Mrs. H. P. Daniels.

As the budget calls for a bigger subscription from the people of the community than has so far been subscribed, it is planned to hold a Mass Meeting of the children of the Playground, at which time each child will be asked to cover a certain amount of territory in order that the Council may have a definite idea of how much community support can be depended upon in carrying on the work of the Playground.

CHURCH SERVICES.

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 9.30 o'clock. Ascan Avenue, near Queens Boulevard.

St. Luke's Episcopal—Sunday mornings, 8 o'clock. Holy Communion. Morning service and sermon at 11 o'clock. Fridays, 10 A. M., Litany service. Vicar's residence, 100 Puritan Avenue; telephone Forest Hills 6508. 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.

Christian Science Society of Forest Hills. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School 9:45 A. M. 173 Continental Avenue.

A "RAINBOW" LETTER.

"In France, June 11th, 1918

"Best Dad:

"Have just enough time to start this tonight, but I want you to know that I haven't forgotten the promise contained in my last letter. * * * * In your last letter you ask me why I avoid the subject of war? To tell the truth, I avoid the subject as much as possible in all my letters. We spend so much of our time in working with war that it's rather nice to get away for a few minutes. But since you are interested I shall tell you of one or two experiences, or rather sensations. Of course, we are sometimes subjected to bombardment, sometimes it is very severe. My Battery has been shelled both with gas shells and high explosives. Gas is usually the most dreaded, it's demoralizing and it is very hard to work with a mask on. * * * * To go ahead with my experiences, or rather my work. I have had a number of different positions; have been division officer, executive, Battery commander, telephone officer and ammunition officer. I like to be the executive or Battery commander. As you probably know the Battery commander observes and adjusts fire, while the executive is in actual command of the firing of the Battery.

"I always experience a large amount of pride and satisfaction in watching a battery respond to my commands.

"At one time we were subjected to intense enemy fire for a period of five hours. Our dugouts were quite deep, so we were all quite safe. However, upon receiving a telephone message from our kitchen about 400 yards distant to the effect that shells were dropping on the kitchen, myself and another officer decided to go there and investigate. So, during a lull in the firing, we started off. We had covered about half the distance when shells started to fall about us. Luckily the road had trees on both sides, so whenever we heard a shell coming we would dodge behind a tree. Nevertheless, the spare parts sounded uncomfortably close. We could hear them dropping all about us.

"All at once we heard another coming! We both made for the largest tree in the vicinity. I remember mine seemed very small. It really was only about six inches in diameter. The shell struck about fifty yards in front of us, ricocheted, and stopped about ten yards from us. I remember my hair raising up. I expected every moment to see the shell explode. It failed to explode and we both exclaimed in the same breath: 'It's a dud,' meaning defective. You can imagine how we felt.

"I have seen the Infantry go over on a raid and come back the next morning with a tale of a German patrol they ran into, and inflicted casualties upon without losing a single man.

"I love my Battery; I know it's the best over here. The men are splendid; they go about their work so cheerfully one can't help but be proud of them. * * * *

"God bless you and keep you happy.

"WILL."

(Note.—The writer, a big, handsome Minneapolis boy of 21, was the Vicar's guest on "Rainbow Night." He was then a Battalion Sergeant Major, recently from Mexican border service, with the First Minneapolis Artillery. Early in December he was commissioned Second Lieutenant, 151st Field Artillery. We were strongly attracted to each other from the start, so that our present relationship is like that of father and son.—R. S. N.)