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## AESTHETIC AND PRACTICAL

### Bird Conservation is a Vital Subject in Forest Hills Gardens

#### Secretary of Audubon Society Submits the Seventh Annual Report of Work Carried on Quietly

Our seventh annual report, June 8, 1920 to June 8, 1921, shows plenty of good work done in an educational way for both juniors and seniors. Two first rate free lectures introduced Gardens audiences to men of national importance in the ornithological world. T. Gilbert Pearson and Louis Agassiz Fuertes are both professional bird men and eloquent and able writers on natural history. Mr. Pearson was the executive secretary of the National Audubon Society and is now its secretary and president. Mr. Fuertes is one of the finest bird artists in the country. The Society has always given the Gardens the best that it could find in the way of lecturers. It believes that it is not enough to instruct children in the hope that a future generation will do the things that we ought to do. It believes also that the power to improve conditions now and here is in the hands of the same group of adults who must wrestle with other problems of the day, and that while some of these questions, such as this of bird protection, is not recognized by many as one of the vital problems, people only need to be shown that it is, in order to range themselves along side the workers for bird conservation.

There are few men and women who do not care for birds, flowers, trees, gardens, all our common heritage of natural things, but there are many who have never had the opportunity to learn anything about them or to live among them. Our efforts in the Gardens are cramped by artificial conditions but we can shape our work to fit these conditions and the very fact that we do so will make it more studied, more intensive, more personal, perhaps more valuable.

What is needed is that each householder should consider him or herself the guardian of the wild life about him—a trustee for future generations of these feathered visitors. Food, water, a watchful eye for enemies, a place for shelter—these are the things that every one can do to help increase the number of the birds coming to the Gardens.

#### Educational Work

Mr. Pearson's lecture on the "Development of Bird Protection in America" and Mr. Fuertes' on "Songs and Calls of Familiar Birds," were given in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, Mr. Pearson on Dec. 3, 1920, Mr. Fuertes on March 19, 1921. Both lectures were well attended and accompanied by excellent pictures. In October, Mr. Wright from the School of Applied Agriculture at Farmingdale, L. I. spoke to the children in the schools. Accompanied by the president, the secretary, and the principal of the Forest Hills schools, Mrs. Mary Hoppe, Mr. Wright went from room to room and adapting his talk to the age and understanding of the grade, explained the rudiments of bird protection. On May 4, 1921, Mrs. Mary S. Sage representing the National Association of Audubon Societies, was loaned to the Gardens Society by the Long Island Bird Club, and did the same thing. She has promised to come to us next fall bringing her stereopticon pictures. Our president considers this method the best way of teaching the children and states that she notes more interest and knowledge each time she makes her visits. The outcome of the trouble last year over boys killing song birds resulted in a personal letter from the Commissioner of Conservation at Albany to the fathers of the boys stating that action would be taken on future offences. There have been a few more complaints this year and the society has had copies of the penal code of the law of New York relating to the carrying of air rifles and the selling of such weapons to youths under sixteen distributed about the Gardens. This can only be done when incidents are

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## WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

### Large Crowd Disappointed when Mlle. Lenglen Defaults--Tennis Matches Not Yet Completed

What promised to be the most interesting tennis tournament for women in the history of the game became a disappointment when on Tuesday, Aug. 16, in the presence of 8000 people, Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen left the courts suffering from a bronchial cough, after Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory had defeated her in one set and had won two points in the first game of the second set.

As the BULLETIN goes to press on the morning of Aug. 19, the winners are Mrs. Molla Bjurstedt Mallory, Mrs. May Sutton Bundy, Miss Mary K. Browne and Mrs. Carl V. Hitchins. Mrs. Mallory has defeated Mrs. Marion Zinderstein Jessup, Mlle. Lenglen, Miss Florence Sheldon and Mrs. Helen Pollak Falk. The games will continue for a day or two longer before this year's national champion will be known. On Aug. 18, Miss Helen Wills became junior champion.

A match between Mlle. Lenglen and Mrs. Mallory is promised before the French girl leaves the country. Mlle. Lenglen is still considered world champion however, a title won at Wimbledon, although that title is not recognized in the United States. The United States Lawn Tennis Association is not a member of the International Federation.



THE WEST SIDE TENNIS CLUB HOUSE

This attractive and commodious club house is the meeting place for the officials of the United States Lawn Tennis Association and here gather also the local, state, national and international champions. The extensive grounds, covering ten acres, furnish the location for the country's greatest tennis matches. The West Side Tennis Club grounds guarantee to the residents of the Gardens a beautiful open space, west of the village.

The club house was built by the Sage Foundation Homes Company.

#### DAVIS CUP SERIES

Thousands of people will come to Forest Hills during the week of Sept. 2, when the Davis Cup matches will be held on the courts of the West Side Tennis Club. The nominations of William T. Tilden, 2d, William M. Johnston, Richard Norris Williams, 2d and Watson M. Washburn as the members of the American team in the defense of the Davis Cup have met with universal approval by the lawn tennis world. In Cleveland, last week, Denmark was defeated by Australia when battling to get into the semi-finals, while this week Japan and India are playing in Chicago for the place in the other half of the semi-finals. The winners of these two matches will play at Newport on Aug. 25, and the winner will go into the challenger round against the defenders at Forest Hills.



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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 9 Station Square, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

### THE NEIGHBORLY SPIRIT

ONE day when Alexander the Great had for the moment no particular worlds to conquer he dropped down to Athens to interview Diogenes who, at that time had made quite a dent in the imagination of the ancients. The tub-dwelling philosopher was reclining at ease in his strange domicile when the great King appeared before him. Alexander wished to seem agreeable and after exchanging the usual pleasantries about the weather asked the philosopher if there was anything he could do for him.

"Yes," said Diogenes. "You can stand out of my sunlight."

The story is a familiar one, but the application is often missed.

Do YOU happen to be standing in someone's sunlight?

It would be a pity in such a place as Forest Hills Gardens where everything is planned for the greatest possible distribution of sunlight, where the dwellings lie open to the air and back from the street and aren't piled mountain-high on top of each other as the congestion of the big cities compels them more and more to be.

Are you sure, for instance, that you give your new neighbor the smile which is his due? In New York, among the cliff-dwellers, it is traditional, of course, that you never know who carries the key to the door which opens next to yours. You aren't supposed to care and you make it a point of honor never to inquire. It is sufficient to scrape an acquaintance with the janitor—preferably just before the heat is turned on in the fall.

But it is different down here. The smile, the nod, the pleasant word is the currency of the community. That is the least you can spend on the new fellow in the new house, a bit of sunlight which it would be unkind to begrudge him. It may seem odd to you, who know Forest Hills for the neighborly place it really is, but just at first, perhaps, he is lonely.

Treat him as a neighbor, then. In time you may find him (or her) worth while as a friend. None of us, not even in Forest Hills, has too many friends. And to start with he has something in common with you. He doesn't like cliff-dwelling any more than you do, else he wouldn't be here. Probably he has other ideals of living which will appeal to you.

Remember the spirit of the place to keep it active. Most of us down here believe in it so thoroughly, are so thoroughly convinced that it creates a halcyon haven from the chill and disturbed currents of metropolitan life, that we don't depend merely on the chances of neighborly exchange but organize the impulse into the

various enterprises which color and characterize the community. There we groove our own channels, selecting that which suits us best, directing our activities where they may be the most useful.

But, as the new citizen here is bound to discover, every enterprise of kindness, every association of taste, every social unit has the general support of the resident body, though some may tend to this or that. The neighborly spirit is back of it all.

So if you can, if the new dweller happens to be building his nest near yours, help him to understand that neighborly spirit from the beginning. Trouble yourself a little to make the newcomer a true and sympathetic Forest Hiller.

Don't stand impassively in some other fellow's sunlight. Try to spread some of your own.

### PERSONALS

Mrs. A. H. Dauer and Miss Adele Kelly, of New Orleans, La., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Garrett B. James, of 308 Burns Street. Mr. and Mrs. James are now spending a week at Bay Shore.

Mrs. Jewel St. Leger Aldrich, of the Gardens Apartments, and Miss Beatrice Wilson, of Ascan Avenue, are staying at The Monmouth, Spring Lake, New Jersey, and they will remain there until Sept. 8. Mr. and Mrs. Augustine J. Wilson, of Ascan Avenue, will join them on Aug. 20.

Miss Gertrude Wilson, of Ascan Avenue, will spend her vacation at the Merriewold Club, Sullivan County, New York. She will return home after Labor Day.

Junior and Vincent Kreamer, of Puritan Avenue, are at Pine Bluff Camp, Port Jefferson, Long Island, and will remain throughout the month of August.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond P. Kaighn, of Seasongood Road, are at Silver Bay, on Lake George.

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, of Seasongood Road, who is summing at Long Beach, left on Aug. 9 for San Francisco, where she will attend the annual convention of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Allen plans to visit the Yosemite Valley and Yellowstone Park on the return trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Farjeon, of Ascan Avenue, have been touring the White Mountains and have also had a most delightful stay at Bar Harbor, Maine. They toured home through the Adirondacks.

Mrs. Carl C. Joys and her three children, of Burns Street, are spending the summer at the former home of Mrs. Joys, Oshkosh, Wis., and are taking short trips from there. They enjoyed two weeks at Shawano Lake.

Captain Adolphus Andrews of the U. S. S. Pennsylvania, has rented the house of Herbert H. Pendleton, 8 Fairway Close.

Mrs. Pell is moving into her new house on Ingram Street. Walter H. Ker has bought the house of E. B. Seaman, 88 Groton Street, and will move into it on Sept. 1.

A little daughter, Florence Sherman Miller, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Miller, of 80 Continental Avenue, on June 16. Through some oversight this news is breaking into print tardily. Send the news to the BULLETIN when such important events take place.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Denniston and baby daughter, Jean, from Darin, Manchuria, China, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carl Pedlar, of Greenway Terraces, sail today for England. They will remain in England and Scotland, visiting the relatives of Mr. Denniston, until February, when they will go to their home in China, via the Suez Canal. Baby Jean will have circled the globe by the time she is one year old.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Croy of Standish Road, announce the birth of a son Monday morning of this week. He was born at the Flushing Hospital with Dr. Chalmers in attendance. He will be named after his father.

**FOUND**—A Brooklyn Boys High School pin. Owner may receive pin by call upon Louis P. McGahie, 9 Station Square.



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fully reported and the names of the boys given by reliable witnesses.

## Winter Feeding

The Society distributed its annual plea for winter feeding in the form of a Christmas card. Fifty pounds of mixed grain was purchased and used by Harold P. Daniels for the feeding station in Olivia Park and by Mrs. Mary Hoppe in the station on the school grounds. There was less need for the grain and less suffering this winter than last, on account of the mild weather.

## Officers and Committees

The new form of government works well. The officers and committees carry on the work of the Society with few meetings. Harold P. Daniels was elected vice president, in place of Mrs. I. A. Washburne who sold her house in the Gardens and has gone to New York to live. Mrs. Washburne's energy and real love for birds made her a most valuable member of the Society. It was due to her that the financial end of the Society was kept in good condition. The officers and chairmen of committees are as follows—Mrs. George Smart, president; Harold P. Daniels, vice president; Miss M. E. Knevels, secretary and treasurer. J. M. Demarest is chairman of the Publicity Committee, Fritz Hagens of the Committee on Field and Educational Work, Mrs. George Smart of the Committee on School and Junior Work, Harold P. Daniels of the Bird Enemies Committee and Mary E. Knevels of the Committee on Country Clubs, Parks and Cemeteries of Long Island.

## Publicity

Mr. Hagens has charge of the small notices attached to the lamp posts. The Society would appreciate being notified as to who it is that destroys the glass in the frames of the posters. Over and over again they have to be renewed and the breakage is costly in view of our small funds. THE FOREST HILLS GARDENS BULLETIN continues to print frequent Audubon notes and last August the annual report was printed in full. A synopsis of our annual report was published in the national magazine, *Bird Lore*, for October, 1920.

## Financial Condition

The income of the Society is necessarily a small one with one dollar dues and our small population. The list of families in the Gardens, not including the Inn and the Apartments, is now three hundred and seventy five, so that in order to keep any funds on hand we should have a number of life members—that is those who pay twenty-five dollars when joining and do not pay annual dues. Ten such members, (we have three now,) would make it possible to do more work and would put the finances in a stable condition. We have 152 members, more than ever before, but our membership should include every family in the Gardens. That is our aim for the coming year.

## Present Plans and Future Opportunities

Aside from the intensive work going on in the Gardens the Society has before it a big ideal. It is to make Long Island what our president calls a "singing Island." (This plan was reported in full in the BULLETIN of Aug. 6.)

In the Gardens the number and varieties of birds continue to increase showing most clearly the value of the protection they receive. The following is a list of birds nesting in Forest Hills: black billed cuckoo, flicker, downy woodpecker, robin, wood thrush, wren, brown thrasher, cat bird, song sparrow, vesper sparrow, chipping sparrow, red-eyed vireo, yellow warbler, chestnut-sided warbler, Maryland yellow-throat, redstart, towhee, wood pewee, humming bird, gold finch, chimney swift, English sparrow, starling, scarlet tanager, crested fly catcher and meadow lark (on outskirts, as well as sparrow hawk and crow and black bird) Baltimore oriole, and marsh wrens (in Flushing meadows). Surely a list to be proud of for a village in a city.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Mary Eastwood Knevels, Secretary.

## REPORT OF TREASURER OF FOREST HILLS GARDENS AUDUBON SOCIETY

From June 8, 1920 to June 8, 1921

## Receipts

Carried over from June 8, 1920 .....	\$195.94
Dues .....	\$162.50
Ticket Bird Lecture .....	.50
Sale of Bird Guide .....	1.50
	<hr/> \$164.50

Total ..... \$360.44

## Disbursements

Stamps, telephones, sundries .....	\$ 16.50
Printing & Stationery .....	33.75
Lecture in Schools .....	10.00
Paid Mr. Pearson for Lecture .....	25.00
Expenses of Pearson Lecture .....	20.20
Paid Mr. Fuytes for Lecture .....	50.00
Expenses of Fuytes Lecture .....	15.50
Dues to National Audubon Assn. ....	5.00
Sage Foundation Homes Co. Repair Work..	8.67
Fifty Pounds of Bird Food .....	4.50
National Audubon Association Booklets....	1.16
	<hr/> \$190.28

Balance in Bank June 8, 1921 .....	\$157.66
Cash .....	12.50
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Total ..... \$170.16 \$170.16

Mary Eastwood Knevels, Treasurer.

## GARBAGE DUMPS DISCONTINUED

After numerous protests the two garbage dumps in this vicinity have been discontinued and the garbage is being taken to an incinerator and there disposed of in the proper manner. The two dumps have been the source of most of our flies and the adjacent pools have furnished many of our mosquitoes.

The success of the campaign to have these nuisances discontinued is due in a large part to the co-operation of LeRoy L. Smith, of Exeter Street, who through the *Long Island Daily Star*, of which he is editor and general manager, brought the attention of the public to the disgraceful condition of affairs that the city authorities were tolerating. The *Star* articles last week resulted in steps being taken to have the garbage delivered to the proper places.

It is a question just how much benefit we shall derive from this improvement this year, but next year should see a vast decrease in the number of flies in this section and with the draining of the pools a marked decrease in the number of mosquitoes should result.

With the abatement of the garbage nuisance the efforts of the local mosquito committee will be directed toward the draining of these pools that furnish us with mosquitoes, for the pools have become so polluted that they will continue to breed prolifically for many years unless properly taken care of. It is hoped that the work of draining will be undertaken very soon, but in the meantime the pools will be watched by the local inspector and oiled as often as necessary to prevent mosquito breeding.

Additional subscriptions have come from Mrs. Katherine Knobbe, Henry Hirschberg, R. Dawson Hall, Mrs. Harry J. Brandt and W. P. McCulloch.

Edwin M. Durand, Mosquito Inspector.

## FOREST HILLS CHESS CLUB

A group of ardent chess fans, many of whom were members of the old Gardens Chess and Checker Club which no longer exists, are desirous of forming a new club and operating it under conditions which should make it very successful. An option on a suite of very advantageous club rooms has been secured and complete estimates for the financial organization have been prepared. It is believed that with the proper backing, this will be one of the most successful organizations in Forest Hills.

All chess players, and all those who would like to become chess players, either in Forest Hills or in Forest Hills Gardens, are urged to send their names promptly to H. H. Robinson, 92 Greenway North, who is acting as temporary secretary. As soon as a temporary roster has been secured, a call will be issued for an organization meeting.

H. H. R.



## THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



The regular Sunday morning service will be resumed on Sept. 11.

Later announcement will be made regarding the opening of the Sunday School and the activities of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor.

A meeting of the corporate body of the church is called for Wednesday evening, Sept. 28, at 8 o'clock, in the social room, to consider a letter from Dr. Latshaw, written under date June 29, 1921, take action thereon and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The finance committee greatly appreciates the co-operation of members of the congregation in covering their church subscriptions during the vacation period. This past week a check was received from the Maine woods; another came nearly across the continent, while another came all the way from Brooklyn. Will others accept this as a reminder that our Treasurer, Donald G. Clark, will have the regular expenses to meet on Sept. 1.

## "The Church and Community Work"

The following quotations are taken from a recent article by Dr. Latshaw on the relation of the Church to the community work of the Young Men's Christian Association to the development of which special attention is being given at this time:

"No other organization has such access to the homes of the community as has the church; no other organization knows the virtues, faults, and needs of the community life better than the church, and none is better able to open the way for the needed service or to give wiser counsel in that service than the church.

"Every organization approaching the people during the war days tried first of all to get the co-operation of the church. She offers the best teaching and training opportunity for parents as well as for young men and boys which is to be found in the community. Through her, the well worked-out ideals and methods achieved by the Young Men's Christian Association, for instance, may become the ideals and methods of the home, the church, the school, or in other words, of the community itself.

"The church's whole business is with the spiritual interests of the community. A close alliance with her in this community work will help the Association to avoid its greatest temptation and peril—that of being satisfied with the service it can render without definitely reaching the goal of Christian character."

W. P. McC.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

The annual fair will be held at the sales office Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7 and 8.

The Bishop of the Diocese, the Rt. Rev. Frederick Burgess, D. D., will visit St. Luke's Church on Sunday, Nov. 20, at 4 P. M., to administer the Sacrament of Holy Confirmation. Classes for instruction will be organized early in September.

A meeting of the executive committee was held on Aug. 11, and it was decided to purchase a dwelling for the Vicar, which dwelling shall be the rectory until such time as the rectory shall be erected upon the church property.

The Rev. William P. S. Lander and family leave on Sunday evening for a brief holiday at Altamont, N. Y. The services will continue as usual, however.

W. P. S. L.

## CHURCH SERVICES

## Summer Schedule

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. Services resumed on Sept. 11.

Presbyterian Church of Forest Hills—Sunday mornings, sermon at 11 o'clock. Seminole Avenue and Gown 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 Tuesdays and Fridays, except holidays, from 2 to 4 P. M. Masonic Temple.

## THE INN



Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Halliday, of Northport, Maine, are among the new arrivals for the winter at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Colter have returned after a vacation of several weeks' duration. F. R. Harty has returned, after a short sojourn in the mountains.

Mrs. Elanor A. Mead, of New York, is with us again for an indefinite stay.

Col. and Mrs. M. A. Graae, of Washington, D. C., are guests of the Inn. Mrs. Graae was

formerly Miss Florence Spendiff, one of the old-time guests before her trip to Europe.

Mrs. John Lyford and Miss Ida Boyd, of Cincinnati, have recently arrived to spend the usual summer months with us.

Harold A. Smith, of Grand Rapids, has been welcomed back to the Inn. He will be joined by Mrs. Smith and daughters during the next week or so.

Mrs. J. W. Evans has returned from a visit of several weeks to her home in the west.

Mrs. E. S. Pierce, of Worcester, Mass., is visiting her daughter, Miss Marie Pierce.

Messrs. Harold L. Godshall and Harry T. Coffin, Jr., of Los Angeles, California, are making their headquarters here while taking part in the international tennis tournaments.

Mrs. Fullerton Weaver, of Garden City, is stopping here during the women's tournament, in which she is taking part.

Mme. A. Lenglen and daughter, Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen, the famous French tennis champion, and Mr. and Mme. A. P. de Joannis of Paris, France, are also guests during the women's tournament.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brooks and daughters, the Misses Anna and Jane, are here for the tournament. The latter are to take part in the games.

Mrs. J. L. Hutchins, of Sanbornville, N. H., is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. John Lyford.

Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Webb, Miss Jane Dolson, G. S. Smith, Jr., and George Dippey, of Philadelphia, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Grieve and daughter. Mrs. Webb remained for a longer visit with Miss Grieve.

Mrs. F. L. Bisbee has returned from a visit with her daughter in Detroit.

Mrs. Frank Hegger, of England, is also among the new arrivals. She is the mother of Mrs. Sinclair Lewis.

Others who have returned to the Inn after short vacations are: Miss Jeanette Ramson; M. Bernardaud and G. Dejean.

## HONOR ROLL FOR MAY AND JUNE

## Public School 101.

Additional list to the one printed in last BULLETIN—2B—Jack Burt, Charles Finnigan, Perry MacNeal, Milton Masters, Marion Chesney, Alice Erwin, Gladys Lynch, Patricia Minnergerode, Sue Stickel.

2A—Philip Earl, Dick Hopper, Belford Thomson, Dupont Snowden, Mona Hasselriis, Nancy Kershaw.

1B—Hugh Fraser, Thomas Garrett, Brett Kieffer, Esther Ball, Ozora Colton, Josephine Daniels, Wilma Deute, Dorothy Finnigan, Amelia Fullan, Dorothea Humphries.

1A—Bruce Burt, Philip Mohan, Guerry Snowden, Robert Weinman, Jane Coburn, Josephine Deems, Dorothy Henrick, Helga Holch, Doris McCulloch.

## THE FOREST PARK RIDING CLUB

Inquiries continue to come to the originators of the Forest Park Riding Club as to the form of management, the membership and other similar plans of organization, and it is apparent that the proposition has aroused much interest. All such questions will be answered by a letter which will comprehensively cover the whole movement and will be mailed soon to 2,000 homes in Forest Hills, Kew and Richmond Hill, as well as to residents of other localities from which letters of inquiry have come.

## 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. and A. M.—Masonic Temple. Sept. 9, 8:30 P. M.—Curran Mass Meeting, Station Square.