

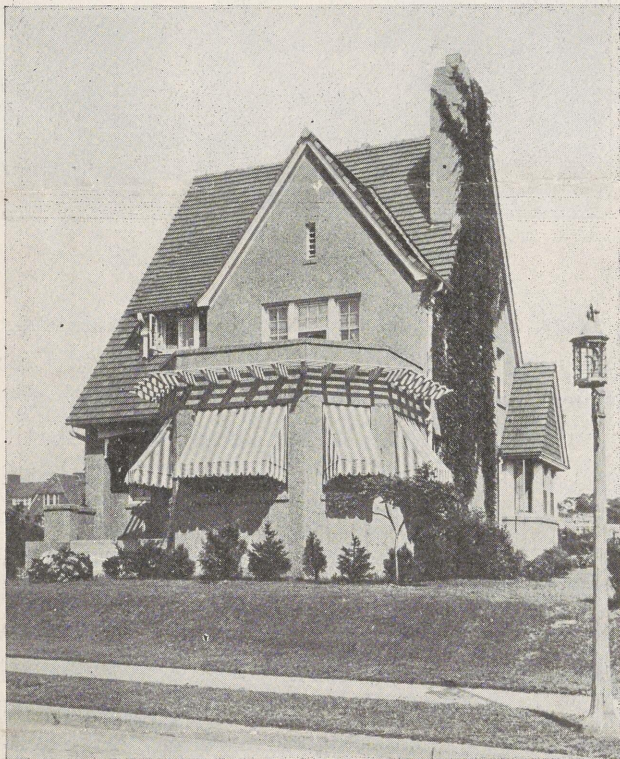
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HOME OF R. C. MCGIRR

Pictured above is the home of R. C. McGirr, on Cranford Street, between Greenway South and Russell Place. The style is modelled somewhat on the English Villa type. The exterior walls are of hollow tile faced with brushed out stucco of gravel aggregate while the lines are brought out through the long sloping gables and the attractive octagonal porch.

Grosvenor Atterbury, F. A. I. A., was the architect, and the Homes Company, the builder.

NATIONAL TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

With the approval of the War Department, all Tennis Championships for 1918 have been restored. The proceeds of these tournaments go to the Army and Navy Departments' Commission on Training Camp Activities.

On the West Side courts five championship tournaments will be contested during the coming week. First in importance is the National Singles Championship beginning Monday, August 26th at 10 A. M. and continuing through the week. For this event there is a very strong entry, the drawing is evenly balanced and good final matches are assured.

Single day tickets, including seat, will be sold at the gate on day of play at \$1.00 each.

TO THE MEN OF FOREST HILLS.

There are between 300 and 400 men in Forest Hills between the ages of 18 and 45, who will be subject to call under the new Draft. To such we wish to address this communication.

The Eighth Company of the Ninth Coast Artillery, New York Guard, is a Forest Hills company. Its officers are Forest Hills men, its personnel largely so. We are eager to keep it a Forest Hills company and we need men.

The New York Guard, the newly organized State militia which has taken the place of the former National Guard, is an imperative necessity at this time. The presence of thousands of enemy aliens in the City and State is a constant menace. The existence of the Guard is the best and practically the only insurance against this peril.

The Ninth Coast Artillery is one of the oldest and most distinguished regiments of the Guard, and includes in its membership an unusually high type of business and professional men.

Under the law the New York Guard as a body cannot be drafted into the Federal service. Neither can it be called upon for service outside the State.

The Eighth Company (the Forest Hills company) offers a splendid opportunity to the following classes of Forest Hills men:—

First—Men of draft age (Class 1) who wish to secure the tremendous advantage of preliminary training.

Second—Men in deferred classes, exempted from immediate active service, who desire at this crisis to do their share of home service and prepare for future calls.

Third—All men who "want to do something" and are willing to help fill the places left vacant at home by the younger men, who are doing the bigger work in France.

Forest Hills has always proved itself a 100 per cent. community in every patriotic undertaking.

Shall it be less than a 100 per cent. in meeting its military obligations in war time?

You are invited to write or speak to any member of this committee in regard to this important matter. Recruiting Committee:—

Lyman Beecher Stowe, Chairman; Will Phillip Hooper, Karl Kirchwey, Burns Mantle, Ewain Bird Wilson, Acting Chairman.

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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.

IMPROVEMENTS AT P. S. 101.

Public School 101, in Russell Place, is being remodelled in several important respects. Most important, the ventilating and heating system has been changed. A basement furnace is being installed, together with ventilators that will insure a uniform temperature in the school room. To conserve heat, the main entrance is being reinforced with a storm door, and the clothes closets, formerly used in the hall in the cold, close to the door, have been moved into the respective class rooms, under the immediate supervision of the teachers. Bicycle racks, with locks and under cover, have been installed; a new floor has been laid in the kindergarten room and a separate room has been fitted up as the office of the principal, Miss Cording.

These improvements have been sought by the Taxpayers' Association, beginning in the Presidency of Lyman Beecher Stowe, with E. H. Mays, head of the School Committee. Mrs. H. P. Daniels is Chairman of the Improvement Division of this Committee which has successfully completed this very important part of its work. It should be noted that these improvements are not made in lieu of a new school building. They do not affect, in any way, the appropriation already made for that project. They serve to keep the present building in the Gardens, which is bound to be needed even when the new school is built, in efficient condition.

SCHOOL GARDEN ARMY.

On Wednesday, August 14th, a group of children, who make up the toilers in the School Garden Army of Forest Hills, gathered together and spent the day picnicking and bathing at Long Beach.

Twenty children of Forest Hills are now wearing the school Garden Badge showing that they are faithful workers in their "Win the War" Gardens.

At the Garden, Public School No. 3, Meteor Street, the janitor is selling the products of his "cabbage patch" for the benefit of the Red Cross. Cabbages may be bought there at the small price of 5 cents per head.



THE JUNIOR RED CROSS.

Mrs. Bertha Aldrich, of the Gardens Apartments, has organized a Junior Branch of the Red Cross, which now has a membership of about thirty of the young children (both boys and girls) of Forest Hills. She has been untiring in her efforts to interest the children, who meet each Monday and Thursday morning, from 11 to 1 o'clock, on the porch at the Inn. Just now they are busy knitting strips for the little blankets which are sent over seas for the Belgian babies, and have completed sixteen of these blankets. They have also made a lot of "cootie bands," and other things. The children each pay dues of ten cents a week; This money is used for the purchase of wool. When their money and wool both give out, they make a canvass of the neighborhood, from house to house, and collect enough wool to keep them going. (If any one has scraps of bright-colored wool, we are sure the children would appreciate having it sent to them in Mrs. Aldrich's care.) Following is an interesting excerpt from a letter from Mrs. Fairchild, who has charge of the Red Cross Auxiliary in New York City, to whom the children's work is sent for shipment to Belgium:—

"We have been so busy we did not have time to open the donation bundle until today, but I wish you might have seen our pleasure when we finally did get at it. Mrs. Doty, who has charge of the packing, insisted on at once squeezing the cootie bands into an already full case, which is to go at once, and the caps and blankets will go in a week or two. When you think what those pretty bright things will mean to the mothers who have nothing but rags for their babies, I know you will all be glad and grateful as we are, that we can send them over so soon."

RED CROSS POSTER STOLEN.

A Red Cross poster on exhibition at the Railroad Station has disappeared, presumably been stolen. Information leading to its recovery will be appreciated by Mrs. H. F. Pomeroy, of the Gardens Apartment.

RED CROSS FAIR.

The Ways and Means Committee of the Forest Hills Branch of the Red Cross, Mrs. Leon D'Emo, Chairman, announces with sincere thanks that the Sage Foundation Homes Company has generously agreed to construct the dancing platform for the Red Cross Country Fair, to be held September 12th, 13th and 14th. The Company will supply the lumber, deliver it and remove it later for the sum of \$50.

The Cord Meyer Development Company, through Mr. Marsh, has kindly agreed to construct the dancing pavilion, build the floor of the same, and also erect the twenty or more booths.

The plans for the Fair are progressing rapidly, and the enthusiasm of the workers is admirable. The rumor of the coming festivity has reached outside communities, one of the results being a letter from Beatrice E. Reinhart, formerly a member of Mr. Belasco's Company, at present residing at Sea Cliff, from which the following is an extract:

"I am going to ask if I may add to your attractions by auctioning handkerchiefs donated by prominent people of the theatre. My handkerchiefs have been donated by noted stars, namely Enrico Caruso (his bears his personal monogram); Geraldine Farrar, who forwarded me a handkerchief used by her in "Madame Butterfly;" Douglas Fairbanks, our well-known friend; Charlie Chaplin, who sent me three; the star of "The Boomerang," Martha Hedman; Lou Tellegen, Ina Claire, and last, our President's wife, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, whose kind donation makes a most attractive finish to my collection."

The above offer is appreciated, and will be accepted by the executive committee, who will send a personal letter of thanks to Miss Reinhart for her interest in our Fair.

Still another item of interest relative to the Fair is that the automobile which is to be one of the main attractions, shares for it being now on sale at \$1 each, is on exhibition at the garage of Mr. Bogart, Queens Boulevard. The car is a five-passenger, six-cylinder touring Buick, brand new and ready for demonstration.

A meeting of the different committees of the Red Cross Country Fair was held Monday evening, August 19th, at the Red Cross House, No. 20 Gown Street. The tent arrangements, circus attractions and other important topics were discussed. Another meeting will be held at the same place Monday evening, August 26th, at 8.15. An attendance of all interested in working for the Fair for our boys "over there" is earnestly requested.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Mays, of Slocum Crescent, with their daughter, Joy, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Woodard, of Wendover Road, on a recent motor trip to see George Woodard, in Camp Dudley on Lake Champlain. Mr. Mays is now at Camp Massapeack, Norwich, Connecticut, where he has taken charge during a two-weeks absence of the camp-leader.

Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Kendrick and family, of Puritan Avenue, have gone to Lake George, where Dr. Kendrick will again deliver a course of historical lectures at Silver Bay. Attendance at this course is a part of the preparation of Y. M. C. A. workers for service abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland H. Smith and family, of Continental Avenue, have returned from a vacation spent at the Lake Placid Club in the Adirondacks.

Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Chalmers and family, of Continental Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Close and family, of Ingram Street, are camping on Lake George.

Mr. and Mrs. David Millar and family, of Olive Place, are spending the summer at Fire Island Beach. Miss Mildred Millar has as her guest Miss Elizabeth Bristol, of Whitson Street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Rea, of Ascan Avenue, have been entertaining Mrs. Rea's sister, Mrs. E. L. Blake, and family, of Bakersfield, California, during the past week.

Mr. George C. LeBlanc leaves today for a short vacation to join his family, who are spending the summer at Altamont, in the Hildeberg Mountains.

THE INN.

A costume dance is being planned by the management and guests of the Inn for the evening of Labor Day, as a winding up of the summer season in the life of the Inn. Guests of the Gardens will be welcomed and can secure cards of admittance at the desk of the Inn.

Mrs. William D. Cleveland, of Houston, Texas, and Mrs. J. M. Huber, of Towanda, Pa., are staying at the Inn, where they are visiting Mrs. Cleveland's brother, Mr. Albert W. Morse.

Mrs. Willard Ray, of the editorial staff of "Vogue," has just returned from her vacation. Mr. and Mrs. Ray toured through the Adirondacks on horseback, and have many interesting pictures of life in that beautiful country.

Miss Mae Minck has just returned from a two weeks' vacation spent at the sea shore. Mrs. Minck has also returned from a motor trip with Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Wilkes, which took them through the upper part of the State.

Mr. F. Whitehead, of Washington, D. C., is spending a week at the Inn with his daughter, Miss Dolly Whitehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Wallace, who are among the oldest residents of the Inn, have just returned from the West, where they have been visiting their daughter for the past three weeks.

Miss Beth Cason, of the Inn, is entertaining her mother, Mrs. S. M. Cason, of Washington, D. C.

Miss Louise Freystadt is spending a few days with her mother, who has been a guest of the Inn during the summer.

Dr. Calvin R. Elwood, of Detroit, Mich., who is connected with the Gas Defense Plant at Long Island City, has recently received a Captain's commission.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Dunklin have just returned from a two weeks' vacation spent at Linville, N. C., on the summit of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Knopf and Mr. and Mrs. R. Odell, who were former guests of the Inn, were also in the party.

Among the recent arrivals at the Inn are Mr. W. H. Voltz, of Chicago; Mr. L. W. Ward, of Brooklyn; Mr. D. E. McAvoy, of New York, and Mrs. and Miss A. E. Locke, of New York.

BOY SCOUTS.

Mr. C. A. Worden, Scout Executive for Queens Borough, has written to Mr. McCulloch, acting Scoutmaster of Troop 2, as follows:

"I am glad you are going to try to keep the Troop going until another man can be found to take Mr. Folensbee's place. You will be surprised to learn that since the first of January between thirty-five and forty men in Queens have been placed in charge of troops—each one a volunteer—to take the places of the Scoutmasters who have joined the colors.

"I have been wondering if an appeal cannot be made in the Forest Hills Bulletin for a Scoutmaster. In these trying times, when juvenile delinquency is on the increase, we must do everything we can to give the boys of Forest Hills the advantages of the Scout movement—one of the most effective agencies to prevent the spread of this very serious menace to growing boys."

Mr. McCulloch's other duties make it impossible for him to give adequate time to the troop and he has so notified the local Scout Committee. Won't some patriotic citizen seize this opportunity to render a real service to the community? Speak to Mr. Mays about it. Mr. McCulloch is ready to share the responsibilities of the troop, but he cannot carry it wholly, as he formerly did.

CO-OPERATIVE BUYING.

This subject is being taken up by the Food Conservation Unit of the Women's Club at the suggestion of Mrs. R. E. Renaud, of Burns Street. Pending definite arrangements, however, to buy systematically at lower prices through this organization, Mrs. Renaud will be glad to tell inquirers what she has already accomplished in this direction.

COMING EVENTS.

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

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.

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.

Monday, August 26th, at 10 A. M.—Tennis Championships open at West Side Club, continuing through Labor Day.

Monday, August 26th, at 8:15 P. M.—Preliminary Fair meeting at Red Cross House, 20 Gown Street.

Friday, September 6th—Playground Day.

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

WHY RECREATION DURING WAR?

This is "The Children's Year"—April 6th to April 6th, 1918-19—the second year of America's participation in the war. It was the Children's Bureau which conceived and announced "The Children's Year;" the Woman's Committee, Council of National Defense accepted the responsibility for carrying out the program. The first drive—to "Save the Lives of 100,000 Babies"—is going forward with growing power in more than six thousand communities. Now comes the second drive—for Patriotic Recreation—to Save Childhood and Serve the State.

President Wilson endorsed the Children's Year in a special letter addressed to Secretary W. B. Wilson of the United States Department of Labor, and published widely.

President Wilson's personal example strengthens the second drive—for Patriotic Play. For it is through recreation—or play—that the President keeps himself fit. The second drive of Children's Year is to enable the Nation's boys and girls to follow President Wilson's example—each to become well and strong for his Country's service.

Modern military training includes play. Every soldier in Camp Sherman, for example, has two hours of organized play, daily, as a vital part of military training. Inside and outside all the military training camps, play or recreation or leisure-hour activity, has been mobilized by agencies of the Army and Navy Departments Commissions on Training Camp Activities—to develop capacity, will and daring in soldiers, sailors and marines. Opportunities for such patriotic play should now be extended to America's children and to as many as possible of her older citizens.

No money or time can be spared from war-winning activities. But, the winning of the war depends on man-power and man-power cannot be sustained in any nation without health and wholesomeness in the children. Far worse than exhausting America's financial capital would be the exhaustion of child life—her man-power capital. To be strong for Victory, the Nation must let her children play.

England is already turning to lift war's burdens from the children and, as one expedient, is giving them a better chance to play:—she began in January, 1917, to grant government funds to local play centers. Can America do less?

During this summer vacation time, especially—with schools closed, fathers and older brothers called to war and many mothers to war work—there is urgent need to give the boys and girls an American square deal—to "Keep the community from sitting on the children's safety valve of play"—as Jacob Riis would say it.

"Americanization" is a timely word and to Americanize all the people of each community one of the best means is play—which draws people together, children first, with many parents following. To help win the war, we must Americanize the people's leisure. "The battle of Waterloo," said Wellington, "was won on the play fields of England."

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.

FOREST HILLS ARMY DAY.

August 8th will be a memorable day for those of our residents and their friends who were able to accept the invitation of Major Payson and his officers of the First Battalion, 152nd Depot Brigade, at Camp Upton. We had an unusual picture of the soldiers' life not often seen by the visitor to a camp. Instead of a regular luncheon the guests were "enlisted" for the day, went to a mess hall, were given mess kits, formed in line to pass the service table, where the men served each one with a regular soldier's dinner, and sat down to eat at the clean, long pine board tables.

After dinner out to the drill ground—where the fine Brigade Band played selections and also for drills and marching. There was an exhibition of company drill, calisthenics and very amusing soldiers' games. The beautiful ceremony of the Escort to the Colors, sometimes called "Trooping of the Colors," and only occasionally executed, was most inspiring. This was followed by a Guard Mount, and finally the Evening Parade. At the latter, Major Payson invited Sir Frederick Black and Chaplain Nichols to stand beside him to receive the honor of the command Pass in Review. It was most unfortunate that the intense hot spell prevented many of our people from making the trip. Those who went were amply repaid and found the afternoon not so uncomfortable on Upton's Hills, with its invigorating breezes.

SCOUT NEWS.

Realizing the exceptional medium for character development offered through the Boy Scouts of America, the Welfare Department of the Wright-Martin Aircraft Corporation in Long Island City has organized a troop of Scouts under the leadership of Rev. C. J. Harris, as Scoutmaster. This troop has developed a progress of activities which will result in great benefit to the boys and to the corporation. As this concern is virtually run as a branch of the Government, it adds another endorsement to the many already received from the Government.

"Ho-de-os-sch," the Indian Ceremony of the Queens Borough Council, Boy Scouts of America, will open an evening Council Fire for all Greater New York Scouts in camp on Lake Kanewauke, Ramapo Mountains, Saturday evening, August 24th.

PATRIOTIC PLAY WEEK, SEPTEMBER 1ST TO 7TH.

Eleven million women are asked to organize ten thousand communities for a Recreation Drive this summer culminating in "Patriotic Play Week," September 1st to 7th. This war-time movement has been inaugurated by the Children's Bureau, United States Department of Labor, and the Woman's Committee, Council of National Defense; with these Federal agencies the Playground and Recreation Association of America is co-operating. The Recreation Drive is under the direction of the Child Welfare Department of the Woman's Committee, whose headquarters are in Washington, D. C., 1814 N Street.

Forest Hills will respond by having a Playground Day on Friday, September 6th. Plans are being made for holding Athletic Badge Tests of Physical Efficiency for boys and girls.