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STORY OF NEWS COLLECTING

William P. Beazell Delights the Members of the Men's Club

Planning Another Entertainment for the Benefit of
the Community House—F. W. Goudy
will Address the Next Meeting

An intensely interesting story of "How News Gets to You" was told at the meeting of the Men's Club Monday evening at the home of Donald G. Clark, by William P. Beazell of the staff of the *New York World*. Mr. Beazell spoke fluently, in a very pleasing manner, his talk being characterized by keen appreciation of the humorous side of the life of a newspaper man and also of the more serious and important aspects of newspaper work. Mr. Beazell said that there are 69 daily newspapers published in New York, of which 30 are in foreign languages, and that the people of New York pay \$50,000,000 per year for these papers, not including, of course, the cost of the advertising.

He spoke of the explosion which occurred on Wall Street a few months ago and described how the news was handled by a corps of 25 *World* reporters and a number of photographers.

The speaker believes that it is all right for the foreigners to have newspapers in their own languages, for if they were published in English the foreigners would be deprived of the news. Mr. Beazell feels strongly, however, that more American news should be incorporated in the foreign newspapers of this country.

Mr. Beazell answered many questions and received the hearty thanks of the club.

L. D. Speir spoke briefly, telling of the plans of the Women's Club to beautify the village, and the club voted to lend its assistance. It was also voted to cooperate with the Women's Club in giving another entertainment for the benefit of the Community House. It was announced that the proceeds of the lecture by the Hon. George W. Wickersham for the benefit of the Community House were \$184.

The next meeting of the Men's Club will be a ladies' night and will be held Monday evening, Feb. 28, in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens. The address will be delivered by Frederic W. Goudy, the famous type designer, on "How the World Learned Its A B C's," illustrated by stereopticon slides.

MEETINGS OF FOREST HILLS LODGE

The stated communications of Forest Hills Lodge No. 946 are held the first and third Tuesday evening of each month. The lodge room will be open on every other Tuesday evening for general Masonic work.



A COLONIAL HOUSE ON EXETER STREET

The home of G. H. Dorr, on Exeter Street, illustrated in this number of the BULLETIN, is a good example of the Dutch Colonial type of architecture. The exterior walls are of light stucco on hollow tile blocks forming a pleasing contrast against the heavily wooded background.

BIG SISTERS WILL GIVE DANCE

A costume dance will be given on Feb. 22, in the evening, at the Inn by the Big Sisters of Queensborough. This promises to be one of the most successful events of the winter not only because of the beauty and novelty of many of the features but on account of the worthy charity in whose interest the dance will be given. Dancing will begin at 9 o'clock. Tickets will be \$2.50 each, and they may be procured at the Inn, the three drug stores and the stationery store.

DANCE FOR BENEFIT OF PLAYGROUND

The playground committees of the Community Council and the Mothers' Club are planning to give a dance for the benefit of the playground at 8 o'clock on the evening of Feb. 21, at the Masonic Temple. Boys and girls under 16 years of age will be admitted for \$1.00 each and will dance from 8 o'clock until 9:30. The price will be \$2.50 each for all over 16 years of age, and dancing will continue for them until 1 A. M. A buffet supper will be served at 11 P. M. The committee hopes to conduct this dance after the fashion of dances which will take place at the Community House, after it is erected. There will be excellent music. Tickets are on sale at the Inn, drug stores and stationery store.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Owners of property at Forest Hills Gardens are advised to write to the Department of Assessments and Arrears, 5 Court Square, Long Island City, N. Y., to obtain bill for assessment payable on or before Feb. 25, 1921. The title of improvement is "acquiring title to 50 and 51 Streets, etc." The charge amounts to about \$1.06 per thousand square feet of area. If not paid before Feb. 27, 1921, interest at 7 per cent from Dec. 27, 1920, will be added to the date of payment.

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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.

WORK AND VISION

The recent expression of regret by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., that he had not been compelled to make his own way in the world as his father had, resulted in an extremely interesting expression of opinions in the *New York Times* last Sunday as to whether it is a handicap to be born rich. Robert W. DeForest and Elbert H. Gary, both men of large affairs, were interviewed and both expressed the opinion that neither wealth nor poverty is the most important factor. "I should say," said Mr. DeForest, "that it is the individual who counts and that there is no rule." He emphasized the fact that in this country it is respectable to work and it is not respectable not to work. Judge Gary said: "The problems or conditions which the rich boy has to fight are no less great than those the poor boy encounters. The important thing to remember is that it is vision that counts." These successful men tell us that work and vision are the most important factors in success. They are closely allied, for how can one attain vision without work? All work does not result in acquiring vision but even the man in the humble ranks of life may get larger vision by intelligent work and the boys and girls of Forest Hills, who have the opportunity to go to school and college and come in contact with the many wonderful phases of life in New York, with all their broadening tendencies, if properly understood, may hope to become men and women of real vision, if they work with intelligence and persistence. But if one seeks the soft and easy way that leads to failure in life, it can be found right here.

Obstacles there are, of course. Life would not be worth living if there were no obstacles to overcome. That is the way strength is obtained. All of our young people face obstacles of some kind in starting their lives as do the older people in making their lives continuously successful. It is well to try to see the obstacles and then strive to overcome them, for if one does not see clearly, he may stumble and find it harder to make a new start.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Frequently letters are received by the Editor praising some feature of our community life but more frequently communications are sent to the same office which call attention to the fact that some thing here needs to be rectified. These expressions of public opinion are always interesting. We must add that anonymous letters will receive no consideration; all signed communications are most welcome. If the sender wishes his name withheld, that desire will be complied with in all cases.

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?

The Community Council, at its last meeting, adopted a resolution making one-way streets of the Greenway Terraces from their intersection at Greenway North and Greenway South to the Station Square. The Homes Company was requested to put this resolution in force, but, before doing so, it desires to get an expression from the people of the community as to whether or not, in their opinion, the traffic congestion on these streets is such as to make it dangerous to continue north and southbound traffic on both sides of the Terraces. To enforce this resolution would cause confusion and a real discomfort to some of the residents. If however, it is the judgment of the majority that this is a "safety first" precaution which should be enforced, the Homes Company is prepared to do its part. Every resident is requested to write to the secretary of the Community Council (Mrs. H. P. Green, 296 Burns Street) and state whether or not he wishes these streets to be made one-way streets.

ALFRED TREADWAY WHITE

The sudden and accidental death of Alfred Treadway White on Saturday, Jan. 29, came as a tragic climax to a beautiful and useful career. Mr. White was a director of the Sage Foundation Homes Company and a trustee of the Russell Sage Foundation. He was a member of the firm of W. A. & A. M. White, 14 Wall Street, New York City, and lived at 40 Remsen Street, Brooklyn. Mr. White was drowned on Saturday afternoon while skating on Forest Lake, near the home of Mrs. E. H. Harriman, in the hills above Central Valley. Educated at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, Mr. White became a successful engineer. He received an honorary Master of Arts Degree from Harvard University. He will long be remembered for his philanthropy and for his services in the cause of human betterment. It was in connection with his effort to solve the housing question that Mr. White did some of his greatest work. Mr. White was in his 75th year and is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Adrian Van Sinderen. The funeral took place at the Church of the Saviour, Unitarian, corner of Pierrepont and Monroe Place, Brooklyn, on Tuesday afternoon.

OBEY THE LAW

The policemen of Forest Hills wish to remind the owners of dogs that the law requires that each dog must be muzzled and on a leash when on the streets or vacant lots of the village.

JUVENILE INCENDIARIES

Some boys in the Gardens are setting fire to the fields and are thus endangering houses, hedges and trees. Boys have built up piles of brick into play houses, at the corner of Puritan Avenue and Burns Street and in these houses have started fires. Starting fires in the open is a criminal offense. The policemen would dislike to take Forest Hills boys into the Juvenile Court, but that will have to be done unless these misdemeanors are stopped.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Farjeon, 134 Ascan Avenue, have had a delightful trip through the south and Cuba. They report that the temperature at Palm Beach Miami and Havana was so cool that heavy wraps were necessary all the time.

Frederic C. Howe has sold his plot on Overhill Road to William H. Nicholls of Brooklyn, who intends to build a house there within a year or perhaps a little later.

James S. Jones sold his house 9 Fairway Close, to George W. Copp of Elmhurst. Mr. Copp and family expect to move into their newly acquired home about April first.

Edward Scott Swazey has purchased the house on Slo-cum Crescent recently built by Frederick E. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wilson and children, Puritan Avenue, have gone to California for an extended visit.

Mrs. Silas B. Brownell and Miss Brownell gave a tea on Jan. 27 at their new home Tennis Apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester G. Hornby of Boston, are visiting Mrs. Anna C. Boyd, Greenway Terraces.

THE WOMEN'S CLUB

Mrs. Edward H. Mays will speak informally at the meeting of the Women's Club, at the Inn, on the afternoon of Feb. 7; her subject will be "Glimpses of China and Japan." The singer will be Walter Mills, tenor, with Grover Tilden Davis, at the piano. Miss Wilhelmina May Rector, pianist, will also give a short program.

Chapters

The current readings chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. Louis C. Pedlar, 74 Greenway Terraces, on Tuesday, Feb. 8 2:30 P. M., when Mrs. S. Ellsworth Davenport Jr. will review the book, "Margot Asquith: An Autobiography." The philanthropic chapter will give a card party in the interest of its work, at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Forry R. Getz, 60 Olive Place, 2 P. M., Feb. 10. The current events chapter announces a most interesting talk on Russia, to be given by Colonel Andrew Kalpaschnikoff, author of "A Prisoner of Trotsky's," at the home of Mrs. Lyman Beecher Stowe Greenway South and Union Turnpike, Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 15, 2:30 P. M. The music chapter will meet Feb. 18, 2:30 P. M. at the home of the new chairman, Mrs. Edward H. Moir, 141 Jewel Street, when the subject will be "Your Favorite Composer."

CIVIC COMMITTEE AT WORK

The Women's Club, through its Civic Committee, has sent a long communication to the BULLETIN, encouraging residents of the Gardens to properly care for their ash cans. The advice is good and in a few sentences might be given thus:

"The Health Department rules in regard to ashes may be summarized in this way; (1) put out all your ashes for collection every week day; (2) put them in metal containers and cover securely; (3) place the containers just within your property line, where the ash man can easily find them."

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The new public school 3 opened Tuesday, Feb. 1, with grades from 1A to 8A inclusive. A kindergarten class will be formed as soon as the required number of children has been registered for it. Public School 101 remains open with grades from the kindergarten through 3A. Children who are to be admitted as new entrants in either of these schools should be registered at once, in the building they are to attend. Parents are urged to register these new pupils without delay.

Miss Pauline M. Silvestro is the teacher of the 8A-7B class, having come to this school from a Manhattan school. Miss Silvestro is a teacher of experience and has an excellent record.

HOT LUNCHES FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

The Mothers' Club has engaged Miss Tillsbury to have charge of the hot lunch for the children at public school 3. A committee of mothers responsible for this lunch is composed of Mrs. Charles Pope Caldwell, chairman, Mesdames Harold P. Daniels, B. B. Kendrick, Edmund O'Shea George J. Simons, J. F. McTyier, Edward H. Mays, Frank Y. Low and Vincent E. Engelbach. The committee is ready at any time to receive suggestions from parents. The success of the service will depend on the regular patronage of the children. Two hot dishes are being served at a cost of ten cents each. At present the Mothers' Club is backing the enterprise but it is hoped to soon put the lunches on a self supporting basis.

MRS. SARAH M. WYGANT

Mrs. Sarah M. Wygant widow of Dr. Henry B. Wygant, died Jan. 8 in Peekskill, New York, at the home of her daughter Dr. Emma W. Littel. Her eldest daughter is Dr. Julia W. Perry of Beechknoll Road, who has been absent from Forest Hills since Oct. 1 assisting in the care of her mother, who has been ill two years.

THE INN



Mrs. Albert E. Rising and Miss Margaret Rising of the Inn, and Mrs. H. P. Seymour, of Jamaica gave an interesting card party to about fifty of their friends in the sun parlor, on Thursday last, very pretty prizes being distributed.

Mrs. H. Pushae Williams and little daughter, Charmian, have returned from a delightful trip to Atlantic City.

Frank Herne has returned to Cleveland, after spending several days at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Daniels entertained Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Daniels, of Philadelphia, over the week-end.

Mrs. Kenneth Nicholson has joined Mr. Nicholson at the Inn after a long visit to England.

Miss Majorie Strong entertained Miss Caroline Reed, of Pennsylvania, last week.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. A. R. White have returned to the Inn after several months spent abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Smith and daughter, Miss Betty Jane of Grand Rapids, Mich., returned to the Inn last week. Miss Helen, who is at school, is to join them soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gere have left for a month's visit with friends in Cincinnati.

Mrs. W. F. Gray and sister, Miss Kendrick, have returned to the Inn after several weeks visit in Washington and Atlantic City.

Among the recent arrivals at the Inn are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLaughlin and little daughter, Nora, of Freeport L. I.; Mrs. F. A. Dudley and daughter, of Germantown, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Fenlon, of Chicago, and G. W. Hill, of New York.

Mrs. G. D. Fletcher and two children are spending several weeks at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Day recently entertained J. Arthur Nelson, of Baltimore Md.

Mrs. William M. Shaw and son, J. M. Brodbelt, of New York, were guests of friends at the Inn on Sunday last.

Alfred Cast recently spent a week-end with his family at the Inn.

THE GARDENS PLAYERS

The Gardens Players will give their winter production, the second subscription performance, on the evenings of Feb. 24 and 25. Three plays will be presented at this time, "Hunger," "Rachel" and "Pie." From whispers in the wings it is apparent that this bill will be an unusually good one. The plays are entertaining and extremely varied; the settings were designed by our best artists and the casts have been carefully chosen, from the largest to the least role.

In the next issue of the BULLETIN further delightful details may be confidently expected, including the names of the coaches and the complete casts. Also an announcement, of keen interest to all Players and the Community, will be given then.

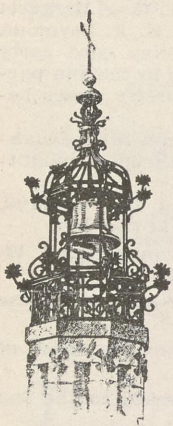
NEWTOWN HIGH PAGEANT

The pageant given at the Newtown High School on Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week in honor of the Pilgrim Tercentenary was an elaborate and spectacular affair. A hundred and fifty pupils were in the cast and chorus. Appropriate scenery was painted in the art department.

The Forest Hills young people taking part in the pageant were Anne McGough as Madame Brewster, Marjorie Hershorn as Constance Hopkins, and Ruth Dowse, Elizabeth Boettiger, Muriel Drummond, Kenneth Cuddeback Wallace Drummond, Lockwood Conkling and Robert Miller, as Pilgrims, dancers, or Indians.

Much credit for the success of the production is due to Miss A. M. Shaw of the Forest Hills Inn instructor in English author of the text, and to Mr. Valentine, head of the department of music, composer of much of the music used.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



The Communion of The Lord's Supper will be observed at the 11 o'clock service tomorrow morning. There will also be a reception of new members. Dr. Latshaw will be in charge.

Miss Gardner will sing a song composed by Miss Esther Dickie (a neice of Mrs. LeBlanc) entitled "Unto Thee O Lord."

Dr. Latshaw has planned a very interesting series of Wednesday evening discussions in the social room at 8 o'clock. The subject discussed on Jan. 26 was "Thrift and Character: How Can We Train Our Children in Thrift." The discussion of this week was on "How Can We Train Our Children in Religion." The subject for next week will be "The Migration of European People to America: What Effect are They to Have on American Life."

The discussion will be opened by Robert G. Goodman who is connected with Ellis Island and has been in charge of the distribution of immigrants in New York City.

All members of the community are cordially invited to attend these profitable Wednesday evenings.

Members and friends of the congregation are invited to attend an informal reception to Mrs. LeBlanc on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 13 at 4.30 in the church. The occasion marks the completion of five years of service by Mrs. LeBlanc as organist. She is giving up the work in order to take a similar position in her own church—St. Luke's Episcopal. Mrs. LeBlanc will give a brief organ recital in connection with the reception. Lawrence F. Abbott will give a short talk. The Women's Guild will be the hostess, and light refreshments will be served in the social room.

It is with keen appreciation of her excellent work and with deep regret on the part of the officers, members and friends of the Church-in-the-Gardens that Mrs. LeBlanc's resignation is accepted.

The Women's Guild is planning a social evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hirschberg, Greenway North and Puritan Avenue on Tuesday, Feb. 15. All members and friends of the church are invited to be present.

W. P. McC.

ST. LUKE'S

Ash Wednesday will be celebrated on Feb. 9 with Holy Communion at 8 A. M.; morning prayer and Litany at 10 A. M.; evening prayer and address at 8 P. M. There will be a special service and instruction during Lent, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Church committee will meet Tuesday evening Feb. 8 at 8 o'clock, in the office of the Homes Company, Station Square.

The residence of the Rev. Mr. Kroll, who is now in charge of St. Luke's, will be at 100 Puritan Avenue.

The supper, held in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens under the auspices of the Woman's Guild, on last Tuesday evening, was a success financially and socially.

CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 o'clock, Ascan Avenue near Queens Boulevard.

St. Luke's Episcopal—Sunday, 8 A. M., Holy Communion; 9:45 A. M., Sunday School; 11 A. M., Morning Service. Holy Communion first and third Sunday in each month.

Church-in-the-Gardens—David Latshaw, D. D., Pastor. Sunday morning: Sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday School 9:45 o'clock.—Christian Endeavor Society, Sunday, 7:45 P. M., Social Room. Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock, Mid-week service.

Church of Forest Hills—Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10 A. M.; sermon at 11 A. M. Seminole Avenue and Gown Street.

Christian Science Society of Forest Hills. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School, 9:45 A. M.; Wednesday evening at 8:00. Reading room open daily from 2 to 4 P. M., except Sundays and holidays. Masonic Temple.

JUDGE HUMPHREY SPEAKS

Community Council Meeting Considers Various Important Matters.

At the meeting of the Community Council held on Jan. 21, Mrs. Louis D. Speir presented the plan for dividing Forest Hills into zones for the purpose of making the village attractive in many ways, as outlined in the last number of the BULLETIN. The plan was warmly sanctioned by the Council and its co-operation pledged to the movement.

The Council adopted a resolution favoring making one-way streets in front of the Greenway Terraces. Opinions of citizens are requested, as stated elsewhere in this issue of the BULLETIN.

The subject of changing the name of Ascan Avenue was discussed and referred to the committee on streets. This street has been called Ash Can Avenue too often. "Community Avenue" has been suggested as an appropriate name. If there is a better name to suggest send it to Mrs. H. P. Green, secretary of the Community Council.

Judge Burt J. Humphrey spoke on "Some Criminals I Have Known." He has done much to keep first offenders from becoming hardened criminals by the use of the suspended sentence. Out of the 1,700 that he has released on this plan during his seventeen years on the bench only about 170 have failed to make law-abiding citizens. Judge Humphrey said that until we can impress young people with the fact that wrong is wrong because it is wrong and not because one is caught at it, there will be need of criminal courts. He also said that for the first five months after prohibition went into effect there was less crime than at any time within his memory. Following this statement the Community Council agreed to write to Governor Miller a letter of approval for the stand he has taken in regard to enforcement of the prohibition law.

WHAT JOHN BURROUGHS SAYS

John Burroughs says: "There can be no doubt that the presence of man has exerted a very marked and friendly influence upon birds, since they so multiply in his society. The birds of California, it is said, were mostly silent till after its settlement, and I doubt if the Indians heard the wood thrush as we hear him."

Mary E. Knevels,
Secretary of the Audubon Society.

COMING EVENTS

First and third Tuesday evening of each month, 8 o'clock—Forest Hills Lodge, 946, F. and A. M., Masonic Temple.

Feb. 7, 2 P. M.—Women's Club, Inn.

Feb. 8, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 74 Greenway Terraces.

Feb. 10, 2 P. M.—Card party, Philanthropic Chapter, Women's Club, 60 Olive Place.

Feb. 11, 2 P. M.—Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens. Place to be announced.

Feb. 11, 8 P. M.—American Legion Dance, Masonic Temple.

Feb. 15, 2:30 P. M.—Current Events Chapter, Women's Club, Union Turnpike and Greenway South.

Feb. 18, 2:30 P. M.—Music Chapter, Women's Club, 141 Jewel Street.

Feb. 18, 8 P. M.—Community Council, Public School 3.

Feb. 21, 8 P. M. to 1 A. M.—Playground Committee Dance, Masonic Temple.

Feb. 22, 9 P. M.—Big Sisters' Dance, Inn.

Feb. 23, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 20 Groton Street.

Feb. 24 and Feb. 25, 8:30 P. M.—Gardens Players Subscription Performance. Place to be announced.

Feb. 28, 8 P. M.—Men's Club, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Lost—Maltese kitten. Reward will be given by Mrs. F. B. Farrand, 50 Bow Street.

Lost—In public school 3, a brown brushed wool sweater, size 8, Altman's mark. Return to Betty Welsh, 14 Fairway Close.