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# Unprecedented Numbers of People and Ideal Weather

Independence Day Celebration Carried on With Varied Program from Early Morning Until Midnight-Not A Dull Moment-Committee Deserves Much Praise

Not only were the birds singing cheerily to arouse the villagers from morning slumbers, but through the streets early on the morning of July 5 came the Town Crier calling lustily to all to come to the Green for the Flag raising at 9:30. There were assembled the members of the Forest Hills Post 630 and the Boy Scouts, Troop 2, led by Harvey Warren, president of the former and scoutmaster of the latter. Mr. Warren was arrayed in military garb, having changed from the costume of the colonial Town Crier. After the impressive Flag raising and a gracious, earnest and patriotic prayer by Arthur H. "Int, the chorus led the patriotic singing. Bruno Hann, expert leader of choruses and glee clubs, assisted at the piano by Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, the foster mother of all good singing of Forest Hills Gardens, showed the town the possibilities of a regular Choral Club here, for the singing was proof of his wise and inspiring leadership. The clear voice of Mrs. Jewel St. Leger Aldrich and the rich, deep voice of C. L. Heyniger, a newcomer to the Gardens, carried the solo parts.

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#### The Children's Games

There are between fifty and sixty very happy boys and girls who are wearing bronze and silver badges won at the children's games in canvas-covered Station Square between 10 and 12 o'clock, on July 5. Dr. W. F. Saybolt, assisted by a group of young people and a number of fathers, conducted a long list of contests for all ages most successfully. The weather was so ideal that the children felt like working hard to win the prizes. With dashes. kiddie car races, pillow fights, sack and relay races, a whole program of fun, speed and skill was carried out. While the crowd had the greatest possible interest in the children's contests, the matches for older people gave the most amusement. Mrs. Collins was the best woman tilter and Harvey Warren proved that he could win over the men. In the baby carriage race, Henry W. Hirschberg came out first, but Dr. Davenport, who came out second, claims that Henry pulled his carriage instead of pushing it, which was not fair at all and was overlooked by the judges. Ask Henry. In the tug-of-war between easterners and westerners, it was hard to tell who had the more pull, but when the women got into the game, with the shorts led by Mrs. Florence Hawley, against the longs led by Mrs. J. McKelvey, the finish of the game with the little women running down Dartmouth Street, completely outclassing the big women.

#### The Baseball Game

The baseball game in Hawthorn Park at 2 o'clock carried on between the Inns and the Outs drew a large crowd of enthusiastic fans. On account of the intense rivalry between the two teams, it was feared that the umpire might be the victim of personal violence, and he appeared on the field arrayed in a suit of armor, with a massive battle axe to lend weight to his decisions. The Inns started off with a rush and piled up an apparently invincible lead. (Continued on page 2.)



FLAG RAISING, INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION, 1920.

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# INDEPENDENCE DAYS, 1920 and 1921

WITH blue skies and a cool breeze, the weather man proved that he was on the side of the Gardens celebration. Our friends and relatives were here in such numbers that it was apparent that our village is growing and that every one likes "our party," as Dr. Sweeny, the chairman, called it. There was plenty of fun all day long. The children's games were made funnier by the clown; fathers and mothers looked amused and amusing in their contests; the ball game was what the college girl would call a "scream;" and the evening party with its good music was a big bit of wholesome recreation. The double program of the two operas was given by well balanced voices, with a helpful chorus and an excellent orchestra, in beautiful Olivia Park. But the most impressive and appropriate part of the program, in the humble opinion of the Editor, was in the Flag raising and the singing of the newly christened Choral Club.

In these stirring times in our nation's affairs, do we not need the outward expression of ardent patriotism and the recital over and over again, with new emphasis and new interpretations, of our country's ideals? The more genuine patriotic fervor the better! We also need a great number of our own people taking part in the program, so as to scatter and to broaden interest.

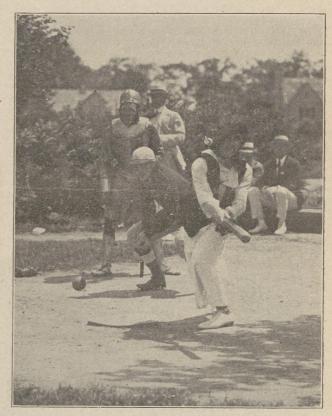
These things are not written in any spirit of unpleasant criticism, for the committees this year have worked hard and we are all grateful. But after talking with a number of people, residents of the Gardens and guests, some suggestions for the next celebration are offered for the newly elected officers. Begin now to secure the speaker for next year's celebration. May he be a man of national prominence who can bring a real message. Enact our own Forest Hills Gardens history, in Olivia Park, possibly beginning with the Indians and going through the Dutch and other colonial periods and the various wars, of the Revolution, of 1812, of 1861 and of 1898 and the Great War and then in a final act, depict our own beautiful community-the ideal place in which to live in 1921. This plan has endless possibilities in new and untried ways.

A parade is another feature—a parade of different units; one could be for the children under six years, in flower decorated baby carriages and go-carts. We do not need to go to California for flowers of any kind or to Portland, Oregon for roses, for we have them in our own Gardens. Surely in no other place could we find prettier babies than we have here!

Adding these new features and retaining the old of permanent value, if we begin to plan now, we can make the celebration of 1921 eclipse all others.

#### UNPRECEDENTED NUMBERS OF PEOPLE AND IDEAL WEATHER (Continued from page 1.)

The Outs, however, came nobly from the rear and put the winning run over the plate to the accompaniment of the deafening plaudits of the assembled throng. Among the many spectacular plays, one stood out with particular bril-The Outs' second baseman fouled a ball and as liance. it descended he swung upon it and knocked it for a twobagger. The astounded umpire ruled that such playing be allowed and as nobody could assassinate him in his suit of armor, the Inns confined their protests to loud and indignant wails. The pitchers did nobly; but faced as they were by sluggers of such mighty prowess, the ball con-stantly sailed magnificently about the field and many homeruns were tallied. Although the fielders did excellent work, there was an occasional error. On the whole, however, it was a dashing game and the narrow margin of one run by which the Outs won their victory shows how closely it was played. Ray Bell was the captain of the Inns and Edmund O'Shea led the Outs; Scott Robinson and Tommy Mayer were umpires, and the coaches were Jack Marshall and Eugene Carr.



BASEBALL GAME-HAWTHORN PARK Umpire in Armor, Batter in Petticoats

#### Band Concert and Choral Club Program

The Twenty-second Regiment Engineers Band, George F. Briegel, master, gave a fine concert in Station Square at twilight. Again the Choral Club, erstwhile Community Chorus, appeared, about seventy-five voices, and outdid their morning program in giving a series of patriotic airs, which brought prolonged applause.

#### Dancing In Station Square

The Square, festooned and decorated with myriads of lights and flags, made a fairy-like scene as the bulbs were lighted. All the lads and lassies, maids and matrons and escorts danced on the canvas covering until—well, why tell the hour—for the music was the best and the night balmy. More than three thousand people were in the aud-ience and among the dancers. Henry W. Hirschberg, chairman, deserves praise for the success of this final feature of the day's program.

#### BIG SISTERS' BOOTH

Mrs. Smith Alford and her associates report the clearing of approximately \$250 for the Big Sisters of Queensborough from the sales of the refreshment booth at the Inn on July 5. Ice cream cones and lemonade proved to be very popular. Little cakes and sandwiches were all sold out soon after the booth was open. The ladies are grateful for several substantial gifts of money and also for the privilege of having the booth. The money cleared will help very much in the work of this philanthropic organization.

#### CALL OF THE TOWN CRIER

Oyez, Oyez, ye Towns-folk all, Good News Town Crier hath to call. Ye Patriot Heart, be glad, be gay, Now cometh Independence Day. With Lusty Cheer, with Joyous Shout, Ye Lads and Lassies, come ye out To foot it gaily on ye Green, Where Divers Anticks may be seen. With Sport and Feasting, Dance and Song, With Jollity ye whole Day Long; Now keep we in ye Old Time Way, Our Glorious Independence Day!

The above poem, which was used by the Town Crier to awaken the sleepy villagers and was printed on the Independence Day program, was used freely without giving credit to the author, Miss Gertrude Knevels, who wrote it specially for the 1916 celebration.

#### PROCLAMATION, POSTER AND CARTOONS.

The July Fourth Proclamation, designed and arranged by Frederic W. Goudy, and set by Bertha M: Goudy in types designed by Mr. Goudy, is a work of great artistic merit, and the residents of the Gardens are proud of and grateful to their neighbors, the Goudys. The Proclamations, which have come from the skill and generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Goudy on previous Independence Days, have been displayed all over the country and the document of 1920 will receive the same recognition.

Gene Carr, the cartoonist, also a resident of the Gardens, contributed two clever cartoons, which were displayed in the local Chemist Shop window and won for themselves much happy commendation.

Mathe Hasselriis of Ascan Avenue, donated a poster of the Fourth celebration which was done on silk through the batik process. The coloring and composition are perfectly charming and the poster is a piece of art of which the whole town may be proud, partly because of its originality. The batik process is a combination of painting with wax, dyeing, etc., and 'Mr.' Hasselriis has done much original work in that line.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. Leonard Buck, of Dartmouth Street, has gone to Bar Harbor, Maine, for the summer.

Miss Ella Cahill, of Boston, is visiting Miss Helena Ketcham, of Greenway North.

Miss Dorothy Reindel, of Detroit, and Miss Carol Niles, of Wyandotte, Mich., are spending two weeks with Miss Nancy Luce, of Greenway North.

Mrs. George Sherwood Eddy and Miss Margaret Eddy were the guests of Mrs. I. K. Ward, of Borage Place, over the Fourth. Mrs. Ward also entertained Miss Helen Harper, from Baltimore.

The family of Mr. A. M. Gray have gone to Seagirt, N. J., for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Croy spent Sunday, July 4, with Mr. and Mrs. James Rea, Ascan Avenue, while they were here on the sad errand of burying their little boy, Creighton Croy.

On the evening of July 5, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, Greenway Terrace, entertained the members of the Choral Club and their escorts. Between 10:30 and midnight Mr. and Mrs. Scammell received with Mr. Bruno Hubn the leader, about one hundred guests.

Huhn, the leader, about one hundred guests. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Adams and family, of Deepdene Road, have motored to the coast of Maine for a month's vacation.

### REVIEW OF THE OPERAS

A Newcomer to the Town Gives His Impression of the Double Program.

The Editor has prevailed upon C. L. Heyniger to tell the BULLETIN readers what he thought of the performance in Olivia Park. When you read the article, you will know why. He says:

"The presentation of Cavalleria Rusticana and Pagliacci under the direction of Milton Aborn in the natural amphitheatre of Olivia Park will be remembered as a delightful part of the Independence Day program. "My afternoon's enjoyment was due only in part to the

"My afternoon's enjoyment was due only in part to the operas. Many true things could be said about the singers and the orchestra. They were very acceptable. The company went about its work with energy and enthusiasm, as if the members were thrilled with the joy of living on such a day. The soprano's appearance was pleasing as well as her voice. The tenor possessed confidence and dependability, which failed to cause any one a moment's uneasiness. The only unkind words I have to say are for the donkey, who hee-hawed so vigorously during one of the soprano's tearful arias.

"I suppose I should hesitate to say that I enjoyed the welcome coolness of the shady slope, the occasional delightful obligato of a very melodious thrush and the restful quiet of it all more than I did the music itself. The music seemed very far away. It was the essential undertone or background to a little play of my own in which the operas were the orchestra and the leading roles sung by the thrush, the donkey, the chorus girl of the huge mouth and the intensely interesting prompter. I have often wondered exactly what is done on the far side of that little shell-shaped shield behind the footlights of the Metropolitan; now I know. What a remarkable person he wa\_! "The comedy is ended.'"



SCENE FROM PAGLIACCI Olivia Park, Afternoon of July 5

# PLANS FOR JULY 4, 1921

In the Sales Office on the evening of July 26, there will be a general meeting in the interests of July 4, 1921. The committee of this year will make its report; officers for next year will be chosen and some plans formulated. There is considerable talk about town of turning the celebration over to the Men's Club, where it originated; a permanent organization has been suggested and other ideas put forward. This meeting is called in order to have a general discussion while the celebration is fresh in the minds of everyone and it is seriously hoped that the men of the committee will make a special effort to attend.

### THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



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On Children's Day, June 20, the morning service was given over to the Sun-day School. Bright and happy little people sang, recited and in their exer-cises showed the thoughtful care and training of their teachers. Bibles were presented to twenty of the seven-yearolds by the Church, and the children then repeated the Lord's Prayer, 23rd Psalm and other portions of the Scriptures.

June 26 was picnic day. One hundred members of the school and their friends went to Long Beach for the day. The weather was fine and everybody was happy. A near-tragedy was averted by the prompt action of several men of the party, who later donned their bathing suits while their usual garments were drying.

The Sunday School and Christian Endeavor meetings are discontinued until

Church services will be held as usual at 11 September. o'clock on Sunday mornings during July. Tomorrow Rev. A. C. Church, assistant pastor of Tompkins Avenue Congregational Church, Brooklyn, will occupy the pulpit. On July 18 Dr. W. A. Rice will preach. Dr. Rice was a charter member of this church and its first treasurer. A. H. F.

#### CREIGHTON CROY

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Croy, whose home here is on Standish Road, and who are temporarily living in New York, were shocked to hear of the death on June 27 of their four-and-a-half-year-old son, Creighton. The boy was visiting an aunt in Texas and he was accompanied by his grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Croy hurried to Texas when they heard of his illness and reached there just before his death. They brought the body here and services were held in the Church-in-the-Gardens (in which he had been chris-tened) on Sunday afternoon, July 4, conducted by Rev. Albert Sheppard, pastor of the Church of Forest Hills. The burial was at Maplegrove Cemetery.

# MRS PHILIPINE HANDIGES

Mrs. Philipine Handiges, mother of Mrs. James H. Cassidy and Miss Philipine Handiges, 122 Ascan Avenue, died at Mrs. Cassidy's home on June 14, aged seventy-five years Mrs. Handiges' pastor in her former home, Cleveland, was Dr. William Zirbes, now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Brooklyn, and it was he who conducted the services on June 16. The burial was in Maplegrove Cemetery.

#### CHURCH SERVICES

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

- St. Luke's Episcopal—Rev. R. S. Nichols, Vicar, residence, 38 Greenway Terrace; telephone 6206. Sunday, 7:30
- A. M., Holy Communion. 11 A. M., Morning Service. Church-in-the-Gardens-Sunday mornings. Sermon at 11 o'clock.
- 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 8:60. Reading room open daily from 2 to 4 P. M. except Sundays and holidays. 173 Continental Avenue.

#### GUILD SUPPER

Not only to increase the Community House fund of the Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens, but also to furnish an opportunity for the residents of the values, but also to have supper together on the holiday, the ways and means committee, Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, chairman, with Mrs. J. B. Snow, supper chairman, arranged a most delectable menu, which the ladies served to 183 people between the hours of 6 and 7:30 P. M., July 5, in the Social Room, at the price of \$1 each. All of the food was donated, so the supper tickets show almost clear receipts. The tables were decorated in red, white and blue flowers.

#### THE INN

The beautiful weather added to the enjoyment of the many relatives and friends of guests who spent the holiday week-end at the Inn, every available corner being used for their accommodation. The Inn has never been more crowded than over the past holiday, and the dining room facilities proved almost inadequate to meet the demand of the outside public for meals.

Mrs. J. A. Patchell, of Washington, spent the holidays with her son, J. H. Patchell,

of the Inn. Miss Dorothy E. Wensley is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. B. Willis, as is also Miss Gleasner, of Chicago, visiting her sister, Mrs. Streit, of the Inn.

J. O. Major, of the Inn, has as his guests over the holidays C. A. Potter, of Philadelphia, Mrs. D. L. Neeson and Miss Olive Lockman, of New York.

Miss Elanor B. Morse, of Lexington, Ky., sister of Mr. Albert Morse, of the Inn, has recently arrived to spend the summer as the guest of her brother.

Mrs. T. M. Nelson and her son, Lieutenant Commander G. W. Nelson, are among the recent arrivals at the Inn. and anticipate making their home here for the summer and fall.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Clark, of New York, have also recently arrived, much to the delight of their many friends here.

Miss E. M. Bell has recently returned from her trip to Europe and has been joined here by Miss D. H. Weis, of New York.

Miss Edna H. Moore and Herbert Moore, who spend every summer at the Inn, are among recent arrivals.

Charles G. Slauson has joined his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Slauson, in their apartment at the Inn.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Gallant returned last week from their honeymoon trip through New England, and will make their home at the Inn. Mrs. Gallant was formerly Mrs. Truman Parsons, of Huntington and New York, while Dr. Gallant is a former resident of the Inn and a much-valued patron

Charles H. D. Robbins, Jr., has recently arrived from Andover Academy and will spend the summer with his parents at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Grout and family recently returned

from their month's visit to the country. Miss Adele M. Shaw left last week for a summer in New England.

# COMMUNITY HOUSE CAMPAIGN

The campaign for funds for the proposed Com-munity House to be erected on land adjoining the Church-in-the-Gardens has been going on for several weeks, and while all of the captains have reported and the campaign is nominally closed, a number of the men are still working with good results. Up to date \$67,200 have been subscribed by 122 families. From one-half to two-thirds of the people have been solicited and heard from, but the others are yet to be reported. Within a few days there will be several more thousand dollars subscribed and it is earnestly hoped to bring the amount up to \$75,000, for then there will be another gift of \$10,000. This is a most encouraging showing, and the teams and the community are to be congratulated.

Meanwhile the building committee, J. Gorton Marsh, chairman, is perfecting the building plans.

#### WHOOPING COUGH

There are a number of cases of whooping cough in the Gardens, and while most mothers are very conscientious about exposing other children, still some children who are suffering with the disease are allowed to go on the thoroughfares and thus scatter the germs. Some parents of innocent sufferers have telephoned to the BULLETIN office and have asked that the parents of children who are afflicted will please keep those children home.