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FOURTH OF JULY

Officials and Chairmen of Committees Chosen to Arrange for Celebration.

At the call of Horace F. Pomeroy, chairman of the July Fourth Committee of 1919, a goodly number of men of the town met at the Sales Office in the evening of June 4 to discuss plans for this year. It is the plan to have a celebration this year similar to the ones of the years past with perhaps some simplification. It is a patriotic celebration in which every family in Forest Hills Gardens is expected to participate and it is expected to make the program and the events of the day such that all may enjoy the occasion. It is hoped that all residents of the Gardens will plan to stay in town until after July fourth. The next number of the BULLETIN will print the program in detail. The following were elected officers of the Fourth of July committee:

Dr. Thompson Tyler Sweeney, chairman.
William W. Bruce, treasurer.
George Smart, secretary.

The chairmen of committees are:

Dr. R. W. Waddell, entertainment.
F. B. Colton, decoration and illumination.
John R. Davies, speaker.
W. W. Dunklin, dance and music.
Frederic W. Goudy, printing.
E. B. Wilson, publicity.
Herman Rountree, posters.
Dr. W. F. Saybolt, children's games and safety.
William W. Bruce, finance.
P. G. Cole, streets and police.
Mrs. C. H. Scammell, singing.
Scott Robinson, tennis games.
Mrs. Smith Alford, refreshments.
Harvey T. Warren, military.

Contributions of five, ten dollars or more may be mailed now to William W. Bruce, Gardens Apartments.

There will be a general meeting in the interest of July Fourth at the Sales Office, Monday evening, June 14.

COMMUNITY HOUSE

Campaign for Building Fund Extends from June 5 to June 21

Five teams of seven persons each are covering the town, reaching every resident of Forest Hills, in order to secure pledges to the building fund of the Community House which will be erected on ten lots presented by a friend to the Church-in-the-Gardens. These lots are on the corner of Greenway North and Borage Place, and extend back of the church building to Ascan Avenue. On the teams are members of various organizations in the village who feel the great need, as individuals and as members of organizations, of a Community House. The ultimate cost of the whole project will be \$150,000, and it is hoped in this campaign to raise a good percentage of this amount.

The present assets include the lots valued at \$20,000; \$13,000 subscribed in January, by 36 members of the Church-in-the-Gardens, as initial gifts, and \$8,250 already reported from this campaign. The teams have many promises of subscriptions of large denominations and many more for a smaller amount. The idea of making subscriptions in the names of their children is appealing to many parents. The great need of the Community House is for the young people

as well as older people, and every child for whom a subscription is made will have his name enrolled in the Community House, in just what form the details have yet to be developed. The young people of the Church-in-the-Gardens made the first subscription almost a year ago. One grandmother has given \$700, in this present drive, in the name of her seven grandchildren. It is hoped that others will follow her example.

A booklet has been issued by the ways and means committee, J. Floyd McTyier, chairman, and S. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr., secretary, showing a picture of the exterior of the building, interior views of a similar project—a great success—in Winnetka, Illinois, the names of the committees, and the list of organizations assisting in the campaign. This booklet is called "A Civic Movement to Meet a Great Civic Need," which, in a nutshell, expresses the proposition.

While the final veto must rest with the Church-in-the-Gardens, because it holds the deed to the property, (in this way the Community House will escape taxation), still it is the plan to have at least one-half the members of the governing board of the House representatives of organizations other than the Church-in-the-Gardens. People of all religious beliefs and no religious belief will have a voice in the management.

CINDERELLA IN FLOWERLAND

The whole town was disappointed by the heavy rain which prevented the children, one hundred in number, from giving the beautiful and colorful operetta, "Cinderella in Flowerland," in Olivia Park on last Saturday afternoon, June 5. However rehearsals have been held almost every afternoon this week and the operetta will be given this afternoon, June 12, in the charming sylvan setting of Olivia Park. Cushions have been loaned by the West Side Tennis Club. The profits of the entertainment will go to the Community House.

HOME OF H. H. DOEHLER.

The home of H. H. Doehler, on Greenway North and Wendover Road, illustrated below, shows the result of good planting against a well designed house. This type of design readily adapts itself to a luxurious covering of vines and is well set off by the fine privet hedge in front. The house was designed by Grosvenor Atterbury, F. A. I. A., and constructed by the Homes Company.



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VEGETABLE GARDENS.

THE after dinner time gained, when the clock is adjusted to day-light saving, amounts to considerable in a week and then add to it the Saturday half-holiday and we realize that we have much leisure time. High-brow culture is a good thing for most any time of the year, but we are thinking in this month of June particularly of soil cultivation, not soul culture; although we are not sure but they are closely related. During the war we all enjoyed being truck gardeners, there was something ennobling, sacrificial about it, but now—why no, the war is over, we have other things to do.

Father has to play golf or talk to his neighbors about politics—never so fascinating a subject as today. Mother, usually servantless, has a thousand and one things to do indoors, mending the \$1.50 cotton stockings for instance, and she must have a little time for tea parties, matinees, etc. The boys are in school and have home studying to do; besides that, there are the class picnics, field days, tennis on the Inn courts and baseball in Hawthorn Park. The girls need a little time for soda at the drug store or to walk on the Greenway, after the lessons are prepared.

Yes, we know it is unreasonable to expect garden work done—but the H. C. of L. and the starving condition of Europe face us. It is a little late to start a garden, though corn and tomatoes may be planted now. However there are many garden plots started in the vacant lots on the land which usually raises nothing but taxes and the plots need weeding and care so that the corn and tomatoes, onions and carrots will grow. Are we slackers? No, not all of us. There are a number of well cared for gardens in the village. Should there not be more?

LOST—Two-skin sable scarf, June 4. Return to Mrs. Robert Pope, 134 Continental Ave. Reward.

NEIGHBORHOOD DAY—JUNE 12



All over the country today communities are observing "Neighborhood Day," at the suggestion of Ex-Secretary Franklin K. Lane, who early in the spring called together the representatives of Community Councils from many states and urged them to encourage the celebration of such a day in the various localities.

While July Fourth is a big day in the Gardens, when a patriotic, neighborhood celebration takes place annually and committees are already working on the plans for

this year, still the local Community Council feels that it ought to fit into the country-wide neighborhood scheme somewhat. Every resident is expected to attend the operetta in Olivia Park in the afternoon and then will follow a parade—yes, a really, truly parade, of a surprise nature! The little folks will be dressed in their flower costumes, worn in the operetta, and the big folks—well, wait and see! The parade will reveal many surprises, among others the crowd of people who will follow the grand marshal—a surprise himself.

It was planned to have a community sing, in the evening, in Station Square, led by Lt. Ervin Read, who made a great success in leading group singing in France. But the shortness of time, for arranging details, makes the Sing impractical and it has been cancelled.

The Flag should be displayed on every home in Forest Hills on June 12, Neighborhood Day, June 13, Flag Sunday, and June 14, the 143rd anniversary of the adoption of the national emblem!

PERSONALS.

Before sailing, on June 1, to take up work in Poland under the American Friends Service Committee, Miss Mabel Brewer wrote to the Editor of the Bulletin: "The teachers and parents of the community have contributed one hundred dollars toward feeding the Polish children and this money has been intrusted to me. Please express, through the columns of the Bulletin, my heartiest appreciation to every one who has helped."

Mrs. Martha M. Allen of Beechknoll Road is living for the summer at West Long Beach with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Post and daughter, Marjorie. Mrs. Allen's house here is rented for the summer to Mr. Everard Stokes of the Royal Assurance Company of England.

Mrs. Allen and Mrs. Post have sent an invitation to the Sunday School of the Church-in-the-Gardens to hold the annual picnic at West Long Beach, at their home on Ocean Front. There is an ample porch where luncheon can be served comfortably.

Miss Martha Allen has left Chateau Thierry, France, where she was aiding in reconstruction work, and is now in Turin, Italy, in charge of the Y. W. C. A. there. The President of Turin University, and some other notables, are much interested in the Y. W. C. A. work Miss Allen is introducing there.

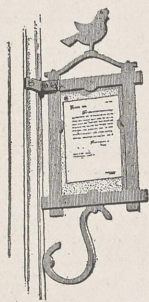
District Superintendent A. C. Perry, Jr., of the public schools, has written to Master Ferdinand Neumer, of Public School 82, Jamaica, as follows: "I have had the pleasure of reading your answer paper in the test given on May 3. Of 930 pupils, you were one of the first three, all of whom had thirty-nine correct answers." Master Ferd lives on Fife Street, Forest Hills.

Mrs. George Sherwood Eddy, formerly of the Gardens, has lived this winter and spring in New York City and has called frequently on friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pomeroy and daughter, Nancy, left for Chicago on Monday, for a residence of about two years in that city. Mr. Pomeroy goes to establish a Chicago office in connection with his publishing business. The Pomeroy date back to pioneer days in the Gardens, having moved here in the fall of 1912. A host of friends regret her departure.

MANY SONG BIRDS HERE

Story of the Variety of Songs Heard in Forest Hills Gardens



A note of hospitality is in the air as we alight at the station. A song sparrow from out of the low trees at the Square greets us with a glad home-coming song. Farther down, from a thicket of the Green, we hear the extensive repertoire of the thrasher. A cat-bird chimes in and the two give a charming duet. From a distance come the liquid notes of the oriole and wood-thrush. Overhead a few tree swallows and a chimney-swift glide through the air. As we draw homeward we hear the familiar "cheer-up" of robins and the noisy twitter of the wrens. Everywhere a note of welcome from trees and bushes, and the birds do their best to make us feel that spring is here after all. Then, as we quietly look about us in our garden, we notice furtive, flame-colored birds of various hues, some twittering incessantly, others busily inspecting branches and leaves. These are our warblers that come to us from the interior of South America for a brief period, just long enough to raise their brood; and in softness of plumage and of color suggest the tropics. Most common of all is the red-start, an untiring hunter of insects; then the black and yellow warbler, the yellow-throat, with the highwayman's mask; the Blackburnian warbler, that nests high in trees; the yellow warbler that likes garden shrubbery and resembles a canary bird escaped from its cage. We sense a feeling of gratitude and of pride that the complexity of city life has still left at our threshold some of the good things of field and of forest.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING.

The final meeting of the year of the Men's Club to which the ladies were invited was well attended, as proven by the fact that the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens was filled on Thursday evening, June 3. Edward H. Mays reported for the nominating committee and the following gentlemen were unanimously elected to fill the offices next year: President, Lawrence F. Abbott; vice-president, S. Ellsworth Davenport, Jr.; secretary, Lyman Beecher Stowe; treasurer, Thurlow M. Gordon. Such a group of officers promises a flourishing year for this organization.

Arthur J. Baldwin, vice-president of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, was introduced by acting president George Smart as a commuter between here and Europe. Having been in Berlin at the time of the Kapp revolution and planning to go to France soon to represent the United States at the International Chamber of Commerce meeting, and having made many other trips to Europe, the introductory appellation seems to have been a good one. Mr. Baldwin is eloquent, he presents facts and he has a subtle humor which is charming and, in the case of his speech the other night, was a relief from the tale of depressing conditions which he witnessed in Germany.

Few, if any, speakers in Forest Hills in the last few years have received anything like the applause given Mr. Baldwin.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT.

The City of New York has assessed property in the Borough of Queens for sewer improvements in Fifty-first street. This assessment is known as No. 13,679, and represents the amount of work so far done on one of the trunk sewers to accommodate the needs of this Borough. The assessment was entered April 28, and interest at the rate of seven (7) per cent., per annum, begins from that date, provided the tax is not paid within sixty (60) days; June 27 being the last day allowed property owners to pay the tax without interest. All owners who have deeds should send for their bill to the Department of Finance, Bureau for the Collection of Assessments and Arrears, Long Island

City, and in order to obtain the right bill, should refer to the identification of their property in Volume, Block and Lot numbers as shown on their 1920 City Tax bill, and should enclose a return stamped addressed envelope. The City will not mail the bills unless these requirements are met. Where property is being purchased under contract, and the deed has not yet been given to the buyer, this assessment will be paid by the Homes Company, and the bills for the apportioned amount will be sent to the lot purchaser.

MASONIC FAIR.

Big Success in Spite of Weather—Large Crowds and Much Enthusiasm.

In spite of the twenty-four hours delay in the erection of the big canvas tent, and numerous other disappointments, and the storm and rain which lasted all of Friday night and the entire day and night of Saturday, the Masonic fair closed at midnight Saturday, June 5, after three days session, with appropriate patriotic music and a clear profit of approximately \$5,400.

To the ladies of Forest Hills is due more than 75 per cent. of the credit for the fair's success. Especial thanks is due, however, to Mrs. Charles W. Johnson of Euclid Street, who served as chairman of the women's committee, and to those who served with her: Mesdames Adam Treu, J. M. Saulpaugh, J. L. Pahl, A. W. Guy, Strohmenger, Fred Neumer and Charles H. Duling and Miss Schlesier.

The Chandler car was won by R. D. Tucker, of New York City, and to Charles H. Duling credit is given for the successful supervision of the contest. Henry Hirschberg of the Gardens was wonderfully supported by Harvey T. Warren, whose combined versatility and untiring humorous efforts reaped a wonderful success with the Kewpie Dolls.

The electric washing machine, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Val Hattermer, was won by Mrs. Stoudinger of Connecticut. The lynx fur piece, donated by Mrs. Wagner, was won by Mrs. R. M. Kincaid. The custom-made shoes, donated by Mr. Robert Whyte, were won by Henry Hirschberg. The coal, donated by the Elmhurst Coal Co., was won by Mr. Otten and Mrs. Strohmenger. The Popular Lady Contest was won by Mrs. James M. Saulpaugh, Jr., who polled 490 votes. There were numerous other contests, by virtue of which the lucky ones received flowers and plants donated by Mr. DePue of Forest Hills Flower Shop; also dolls, lamps, cushions, hand-bags, candies and many other beautiful things, which lack of space prevents mentioning. George J. Herrell, however, took the "cake."

The music was good; the dancing was splendid. The Punch & Judy Show was a novelty, and pleased the kiddies who crowded the tent and made the canvas ring with their shrieks of laughter. "Spank" the clown, was a hero to all the juveniles who followed him around, listening to his quaint and humorous remarks and stories. "Spank" is an old-time circus clown with charming personality.

THE GARDENS PLAYERS.

The Gardens Players ventured into new fields of endeavor last Friday evening by presenting a vaudeville bill at the Masonic Carnival.

The show was to have been repeated on Saturday, but the heavy rain flooded the stage and made it impossible for the performers to appear.

The "turns" were both varied and novel. There was a real live boa constrictor, which Channing Hare, as an Indian snake charmer, manipulated with grace and dexterity. Denie Claypoole, as a slave girl, brought on the reptile in its box, and retired to a safe distance while her master demonstrated his powers of fascination over the beady-eyed five footer.

There were other clever numbers given by Lolita Coridon, Channing Hare, Worth Colwell and Jewel St. Leger Aldrich.

The comedy hit of the evening was a screaming burlesque, "Battling Dugan," in which Dr. John Jacob Posner, as the "dark horse" pugilist, Irving Hare as the referee, and Marty Schwartz as Battling Dugan, put on a show which ought to be on the Big Time.

LOST—Military watch. Return to Clay Cole, 46 Wendover Road.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



Dr. W. A. Rice, a former resident of the Gardens, will preach for us tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

"Children's Day" is the climax of the Sunday School year. From the superintendents down to the cradle roll there is a wave of interest which insures a day long to be remembered.

Children's Day will be observed by our school on June 20—a week later than the date universally adopted throughout the churches. It will mark the closing of the school for the season. The exercises will be held in the church proper, and parents and friends are heartily invited. Then follows the Sunday School picnic to Long Beach on Saturday, June 26.

Members of the Christian Endeavor Society are planning a happy outing to Long Beach on Friday evening, June 18.

A call has been extended to Rev. David G. Latshaw to become pastor of the church. The call is unanimous and enthusiastic. The church and the community will be most fortunate if Dr. Latshaw accepts the call.

The Women's Guild met yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clark Brown, 17 Bow Street, when Dr. E. Lincoln Smith spoke of the work of missions. A generous thank-offering was made by the members. Mrs. Brown was assisted by Mrs. J. G. Elliott.

The benevolent work committee of the Guild, Mrs. Ward J. MacNeal, chairman, has finished making complete outfits for ten Armenian children. These garments were made of new and attractive material.

Mrs. Charles H. Scammell and her large ways and means committee of the Guild are making splendid plans for the Community House fund. On the evening of July Fourth this committee will serve most delectable refreshments to guests, seated at tables, on the terrace of the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Eckman. The proceeds will go to the fund mentioned above.

W. P. McC.

ST. LUKE'S.

At the request of Bishop and parishioners, the Vicar continues in charge of the Mission. Beginning July 11, he will have charge for a month of the Summer Chapel of the Nativity, Bethlehem, N. H.

The regular Sunday morning services, at 7:30 and 11, continue through the summer, in charge of a substitute during the Vicar's holiday. Sunday School closes June 13, to be resumed September 12. Mr. Kaulfuss, lay superintendent, on the closing of the Seminary, left us, May 30, for his vacation. After a short rest at his home in Glen Falls, he goes to Canada for July and August, Province of Ontario, to again be an assistant master in a Boys' Camp. He has been a valuable helper in our school, and we sincerely hope that his return may be provided for.

The Vicar has recently been elected chaplain of the New York Commandery of the Order of the Spanish-American War. Col. Roosevelt was one of the Commanders of this Order, which is open to all commissioned men of that war in the Army and Navy.

R. G. N.

HOOVER MEETING.

The meeting in the interest of the campaign to secure the Republican Presidential nomination for Herbert Hoover, held in the Social Room of the Church-in-the-Gardens on Tuesday evening, June 1, was well attended, and concluded with the unanimous passage of a resolution indorsing Hoover and urging the delegates from this district to vote for him at the Republican convention.

Lyman Beecher Stowe, as chairman of the meeting, made introductory remarks in which he touched upon some of the less known phases of Hoover's work during the war, and then introduced Watson Washburn, the secretary of the New York City Hoover Committee, who gave a brief biographical sketch of Hoover from the time of his boyhood. He was followed by Douglas Black, chairman of the Hoover Committee of Queens, who described the campaign in this borough.

THE INN



The marriage of Miss Helen Young to Mr. Carl Thomas at the Church-in-the-Gardens on Wednesday, June 2, was followed by a delightful breakfast in the Sun Parlor of the Inn to the bridal party. The decorations were unusual in their simplicity and artistic arrangement with bridal roses, smilax and rare spring flowers combined. The party included Mr. and Mrs. David Millar, Master David, Jr., and Misses Mildred and Muriel, Mr. and Mrs. R. Thomas, father and mother

of the bridegroom, Miss Edna Young, Mrs. David Clarin, who was the bride's only attendant, and Mr. Elmer J. Young, who acted as best man to the groom. After the breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas left in their car for a trip through the Adirondacks and anticipate returning in the fall to their new home now under construction in Kew Gardens. Mrs. Thomas is the sister of Mrs. David Millar.

A very successful dinner party given by the gentlemen in honor of several of the younger matrons of the Gardens was held in the Sun Parlor of the Inn on Tuesday evening last, with Mrs. Edward Spahr as hostess.

Mrs. James Cassidy of Forest Hills also entertained a party at dinner in the Sun Parlor a few evenings ago.

Mrs. Harrison Clark, with Misses Violet and Mabel, has left for the summer season for her camp in Maine, returning to the Inn early in September.

Mrs. J. R. Ellis, of Atlanta, Ga., is spending a few weeks with her son, Mr. Hugh Ellis, of the Inn.

Mr. H. A. Yerkes recently left for Kansas City to join his wife and little son, Marby. Mrs. Yerkes' mother is recovering from a serious illness and Mrs. Yerkes anticipates returning with her husband in the course of a week or so.

Among the recent arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. George E. Day, of New York; Miss Katherine Glover, Dr. and Mrs. William A. Hume, of Toledo, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Watson, of Philadelphia; Mrs. A. B. Clark and her daughter, Miss Winnabelle Clark, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. George Odom and Master Odom, Jr.; Mr. W. E. Jenkins and his son, Elliott Jenkins, of New York; Mrs. George Fearn and Miss Frurie Fearn, of Mobile, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil E. Beatie have just returned from California, much to the delight of their many friends here.

Miss Lillian McCormack spent the week-end with her brother Frank. It is hoped Miss McCormack will soon become one of the Inn's permanent family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Middleton and Miss Marjorie are spending the month of June at the Inn before leaving for their country home.

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. 9:45 A. M., Church School. 11 A. M., Morning Service.

Church-in-the-Gardens—Sunday mornings. Sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday School for Juniors and Intermediates at 9:45 o'clock. Primary School at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor Society—7:45 P. M. Thursday, 8 P. M., Open Forum on Applied Christian Democracy.

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. 173 Continental Avenue.

COMING EVENTS

June 5 to 21—Community House Campaign.

June 12, 2 P. M.—Operetta, Olivia Park.

June 14—Flag Day.

June 14, 8 P. M.—General Meeting in Interest of July Fourth Celebration, Sales Office.

June 20, 11 A. M.—Children's Day, Church-in-the-Gardens.

June 23, 8:30 P. M.—Reception, Church-in-the-Gardens Members, 68 Greenway North.

JULY FOURTH—ANNUAL CELEBRATION.