# The Forest Hills Bulletin

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#### TENTH CELEBRATION

#### Gardens Residents Will Make Merry in a Patriotic Way Hon. Newton W. Gilbert Will be Speaker of Indepenon July 4-Committees Active.

The residents of the Gardens are planning the tenth annual celebration of Independence Day in this community. It will be a patriotic, jolly day, with a program of interest from early morning until late at night. The executive committee of the Celebrations Association of the Gardens, with S. W. Eckman president, has the plans of the day in hand.

The Town Criers, Edward S. Swazey and assistants, will waken the villagers and call them to the Green, where the Flag raising will take place at 9:00 a. m., under the direction of the Legion with Irving H. Hare in charge. The band and members of the Choral Club will lead the singing of patri-

The children's games, directed by Dr. W. F. Saybolt and M. J. Stickel, will take place on the Square at 10:30 a. m. During the afternoon a baseball game, between a team of townspeople and one of residents of the Inn and Apartments, will take place. At 4 p. m. a program of music and a number of dances by the Chalif pupils will be given in the natural amphitheatre of Olivia Park. Dr. T. T. Sweeny and Louis P. McGahie are in charge of the Olivia Park program.

The dance in Station Square during the evening will be directed by Horace F. Pomeroy and a large committee. Early in the evening a band concert will be given followed by dancing by those under 16 years of age from 7 to 9 o'clock, when all over 16 will dance until midnight.

The seating arrangements throughout the day will be under the direction of George C. LeBlanc. The Big Sisters of Queens Borough will be given the privilege of the refreshment

Thomas J. Mitchell, 81 Puritan Avenue, is the treasurer and checks should be mailed to him. Only those who have subscribed, their families and guests, will be entitled to badges which will be the means of admission to all the events of the

#### SAGE FOUNDATION HOMES COMPANY

### To Build Small Frame Houses of Attractive Type in Tract 2 to Meet Demand.

To meet the increasing demand for houses of moderate prices the Sage Foundation Homes Company has decided to undertake a building operation on what is known as "Tract 2"—that is, the property bounded by Kessel Street, Union Turnpike, Metropolitan Avenue, and Ascan Avenue, Forest Hills Gardens.

Operations have already been started in Guilford Street for the erection of four frame dwellings of the Dutch colonial type. They will have 6 rooms and bath, with tile floor and wainscoting and built-in fixtures, open fire place in living-room, shingle roofs, parquet floors, a small Pullman table and seats in kitchen alcove, steam heat, and a large open front porch. If this type of house meets with success the company will enlarge its operations to approximately 100 houses. The first large its operations to approximately 100 houses. The first four houses will be built upon plots of approximately 40x100 feet, and will be offered for sale at \$13,800. They will be ready for occupancy about Oct. 1. Plans can be inspected at the company's office.

#### PLAYERS HOLD HOUSEWARMING

It was a gala and happy event on Thursday evening, June 28, when the Gardens Players held open house to the members and friends in the new home which has been secured and where the performances will be given next season. The new home is on Austin Street, in the Forest Hills Storage Warehouse, owned by Carl Gronbeck, a friend of the Players.

The treat of the occasion was the appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Howson, Gardens Apartments, members of the Sothern-Marlowe Company, who presented charmingly "The Minuet" by Louis N. Parker. Other numbers given by members of the Players were also enthusiastically received.

#### FULL DAY'S PROGRAM

## dence Day Celebration of Forest Hills Association.

The Forst Hills Association, through its executive committee, has made all arrangements for a full day's celebration on July 4. Virgil W. Miller, president of the association, is general chairman of celebration.

Hon. Newton W. Gilbert, ex-Vice-Governor of the Philippines, will be the speaker of the day. Gov. Gilbert is an ardent patriot and a most stirring speaker. After the United States Naval Band has given a concert at the Seminole Avenue Clubhouse at 9:30 in the morning and the flag raising has been conducted by the American Legion, then Gov. Gilbert will address the members and guests of the association.

All of the children will be interested in the sports which have been arranged for them and which will take place at



CHILDREN OF MANY NATIONS A Picturesque Feature of the Gardens July 4 Parade-1922.

11 o'clock, with Charles H. Duling as director and Mrs. J. Elmer Kline in charge of prizes. Two afternoon features, a ball game on the ball grounds and a band concert at the Clubhouse, are scheduled for 3:30 o'clock.

An early evening band concert will precede a moving picture entertainment on the Clubhouse grounds, with F. Hargreaves as chairman. Ferdinand Neumer will be responsible for the dancing party which will take place on the canvas-covered tennis courts from 9 p. m. until a late hour.

James McGill is taking care of printing; H. A. Yates of lighting and police; Dr. V. N. Quinten of decorations, and Rev. Mr. Sheppard of publicity.

During the day the Clubhouse grounds will be open only to the members of the association and their out-of-town guests, to whom badges will be sent. Members and guests must wear badges in order to gain admission to the day's activities.

#### REPORTS OF COMMENCEMENTS IN NEXT ISSUE

Due to the extreme pressure for space in this issue of the BULLETIN it will be necessary to print the reports of the commencements of Kew-Forest School and of Public School 3 in the next issue of the paper.—Editor.

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#### BEYOND HOBOKEN

THE newcomer in Forest Hills is a noteworthy individual if he buys his first commutation ticket and learns his way home from the station before he receives instruction in ash-can etiquette. Later on he is told to put food in the birds' mouths and keep salt away from their tails. The next thing he knows he is on a committee. After that he has day-dreams of a library and loses sleep over the sewer problem. On the day when we are given a chance to think a little about the meaning of patriotism, we may well be proud of this condition of affairs, for it denotes a very high type of patriotism: civic consciousness.

But there is something more. They say that the American people work in, write about, and die for Coyote, Wyo., New Paris, O., and Forest Hills, L. I., all the while thinking of these particular places as the United States. But is there not a national consciousness and patriotism higher than the local? It may be meaningless to those of us who have not been lucky enough to travel farther west than Hoboken. In some cases it is meaningless to those who have been much farther. It is often confused with drums, gestures, and waterpitchers, but it is higher than even these. On our national birthday, when we make merry in our own village, let us take a few minutes to try to grasp that other thing. Let us think beyond Hoboken.

#### PROPER DISPLAY OF FLAG

The Americanization Committee of the American Legion called a meeting in Washington for June 14 and 15 to consider the proper uses of the United States flag. President Harding addressed the conference and official representatives from many national patriotic societies participated.

The code adopted is entirely too long to print in this limited space, but a few sentences may answer the questions which

space, but a few sentences may answer the questions which a number of people put to the editor on Memorial Day and may lead to a proper display on July 4.

"When the flag of the United States is displayed other than flown from a staff, it should be displayed flat, whether indoors or out. When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be uppermost and to the flag's wight in the character of the state of the st right, i. e. to the observer's left. \* \* \* \* \* \* "When displayed over the middle of the street, as between

buildings, the flag of the United States should be suspended vertically with the union to the north in an east and west

street or to the east in a north and south street.

#### PERMIT FOR USE OF GARDEN HOSE

James Butler, deputy commissioner of water supply for Queens Borough, wishes the BULLETIN to notify its readers that it is necessary to have permits from the department in order to use the garden hose. Where the premises are on a meter basis, there is no charge made for the permit; where the premises are on a frontage account basis, the additional charge is \$5 a year. The request for permit should contain ward, volume, block and lot number.

#### MEN'S CLUB MEETING

Floyd W. Parsons Speaks-New Officers Elected-Money Voted Playground.

Have you a wet bulb thermometer in your house?

That question was asked at the meeting of the Men's Club, which was held Friday evening, June 8, at the home of Dr. Edward L. Keyes. The speaker of the evening was Floyd W. Parsons, well-known as a writer on economic subjects for World's Work, Saturday Evening Post, and editorial director of The Gas Age. Mr. Parsons said he was talking about nothing in particular, but he had a great deal of interest to say, and in asking the had a great deal of interest to say, and in asking the question as to wet bulb thermometers he was replying to a question as to how moisture can be increased in our homes. When the atmosphere is humid in summer, he said, we realize that we feel the heat more than we do when there is little humidity, but people often fail to realize that by increasing the moisture in their homes in winter time. winter time the atmosphere is made more healthful and the amount of coal consumed can be reduced. In reply to the question, only one man held up his hand, but as a result of the address of the evening there are likely to be more wet bulb thermometers in Forest Hills, unless people are anxious to increase the size of their coal bills unnecessarily.

Mr. Parsons dwelt at length upon waste in industry, particularly the reckless use of coal. Referring to the cycle theory of business depression, he said that great harm is being done by much of the agitation, for it tends to cause rather than prevent depression. He believes that just as panics have been prevented by the Federal Reserve Bank system, periods of depression could also be prevented to a large extent. But if people are put in the mental attitude of expecting periods of depression, they are sure to come

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The club voted \$100 from its treasury for the Mothers'

Club, to be spent on the playground.

The following officers were elected: president, Harold P. Daniels; vice-president, G. G. Thomson; secretary, Homer Croy; treasurer, Robert McKee. The following were admitted to membership: George B. Hanavan, Van H. Manning, John Davis McNutt, E. J. Oakshott, Willard A. Patterson, Dr. H. N. Vermilye, Major A. White, A. H. Wilkinson, Homer A. Yates.

#### APPEAL FOR LIBRARY SITE

On June 4 a delegation from Forest Hills appealed to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for \$25,000 with which to buy a library site. This was the fifth time since January that such an appeal had been made. Although the borough president and the Queens Borough Library Board had definitely approved the method of procedure of the local committee and the mayor had raised no objections on the four other appearances of the committee, on June 4 the mayor recommended an entirely different procedure.

On June 25 a delegation again appeared, supported by John G. Atwater, Queens Borough Librarian, who presented an appeal from the building and sites committee of the Queens Borough Library Board, asking that the \$25,000 be appropriated for a local site. The matter was postponed to another meeting of the Board of Estimate and Apportion ment. An endurance test is on between the mayor and the local library committees, him Train and yet best to

#### W. C. MAYER HELPFUL

W.C. Mayer, civic chairman of the Forest Hills Association, has the assurance from the commissioner of highways of Queens that the repairs of city owned streets had been placed on the calendar. The Cord Meyer Company is to repair the privately owned streets on the north

pany is to repair the privately owned streets on the north side of the tracks.

Mr. Mayer as a member of the governing board of the Community Council, has the promise from the department of street cleaning of the city that every effort is being made to eliminate all odors from the Flushing meadow tump. Paper will be disposed of in incinerators and will not be brought to the Flushing dump. By the generous use of disinfectants, odors will be done away with and small fires will be extinguished by sprinklers, so that the small fires will be extinguished by sprinklers, so that the residents of Forest Hills ought not to be bothered this summer by the smoke or odor nuisances.

#### THE INN



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCleneghan, who about a month ago sailed for Europe on the Majestic, are expected to return on or about July 15.

Among recent arrivals at the Inn are Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Skillman, P. M. Morrelle and E. Clyde Fitch; D. H. Burdette and daughter, Miss Frances, who have taken up their summer residence at the Inn; Mrs. L. H. Rosecrans and daughter, who are also again at the Inn for the summer, and Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Hallett of Kobe, Japan.

Godwin Castleman, a student at Andover, Mass, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Castleman, at the Inn. George Castleman is also staying at the Inn with his

Mrs. R. Pond and daughter, after a prolonged stay in Europe, are at the Inn for an indefinite stay, Miss Emily Logan, of St. Louis, is with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Adair, for an indefinite visit, welcomed by her numerous friends. After spending the winter in Florida, Mrs. W. M. Crawford is again registered at the Inn.

Arrivals from London, England, include T. J. McKinnon, Capt. E. J. China and W. E. Courian, H. Symonds, and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. M. Bonar.

Other well-known arrivals are: Miss Isabelle Orth, who is registered at the Inn for several weeks, previous to her sailing for Cuba; John C. Laspado of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. David Newbold of Philadelphia, Mr. and Mrs. George Richards of Chicago, Mrs. Wm. J. Martin and Devella Martin of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Healy of Baltimore and Mrs. Herbert F. John of Bronxville.

Mr. and Mrs. William R. Pharr of Memphis, Tenn., and their little son are also here for an indefinite period. Others registered include Miss Mary Pawley of Marion, Ind.; Mrs., E. C. Russ of San Antonio; Allen John of Seattle, Wash.; Chas. M. Avery of St. Louis; Miss Maxia Miss Katherine and Master Norman Westerhold and Miss Katherine and Master Norman Westerhold; Mrs. G. de Clairville of Kew Gardens, and Miss Madeline Nickerson of Providence, R. I.

The management has received a reservation for accommodations for Miss Helen Wills, the famous California tennis star, who, accompanied by her mother, will arrive at the Inn the early part of July.

The Inn reports a capacity house for the last few months, and prospects for an extremely heavy summer business are excellent.

Some of the larger social functions during the past month are: A delightful bridge party given by Miss Estelle Brion on May 24, afternoon tea being served for twenty guests; a dinner, followed with dancing, given by Miss K. French for a party of twenty-five, on May 24; a dinner and dance given by Mr. and Mrs. L. Pedlar for a party of twelve; on Monday, May 28, Mrs. Wilkinson gave a party for thirty children which was greatly enjoyed; on May 29, the American Legion gave a ball with 200 in attendance, and on the 30th a dinner was given 200 in attendance, and on the 30th a dinner was given for fifteen officers of the American Legion, including the speakers of the Memorial Celebration; the Alpha Theta Beta Society gave a private ball with 200 in attendance on the evening of June 1 in the ballroom of the Inn.

The principal and teachers of the Newtown High School had a most delightful garden party in the English Tea Garden of the Inn on June 13.

On June 15 the Joan of Arc Club held a private dance in the ball room with 150 in attendance.

The Marionette show given in the ballroom on the evening of June 17 was extremely well received, and the management has made arrangements to have the performance repeated at some later date.

On June 29 the senior class of the Richmond Hill High School held a private dance at the Inn, with an attendance of about 200.

The management of the Inn has entered into an arrangement with the Hillcrest Golf Club by which residents guests of the Inn have the privileges of the 18-hole course of this club for a nominal daily green fee. This arrangement has been received with much enthusiasm, a great many of the guests, particularly the ladies, making extensive use of the privilege.

#### NEWS OF THE NEIGHBORS

The house of Lyman Beecher Stowe, Greenway South and Union Turnpike, is being occupied for the summer by Mrs. Marjorie Vonnegut and family.

Everard Stokes has rented his house, 191 Greenway North, to Mr. and Mrs. de Soto, until Sept. 15. He and his family will spend the summer in Spring Lake, New Jersey. Mrs. Stokes, Senior, will be pleased to continue taking subscriptions for magazines in aid of St. Luke's. Send subscriptions to her at 306 Worthington Avenue, Spring Lake, N. J.

Mrs. F. A. Forsha and Mrs. A. H. Flash of California are visiting their sister, Mrs. Louis Springer, on Ascan Avenue. They will accompany Mr. and Mrs. Springer on a motor trip to Maine in July, and will return here in August to sail for a year in Europe. Mrs. Flash recently received the Distinguished Service Medal from the War Department for her work in France during the war.

John B. Reimer and his son Alfred, Greenway North, have gone on a six weeks' trip to Alaska. About sixty people, most of them from Brooklyn, are in the party.

Mrs. Rowland H. Smith and her daughter Dorothy, formerly of Forest Hills, now of Brooklyn, have also gone to Alaska.

Miss Anna Tompkins of Cambridge, Mass., is visiting her brother, John Almy Tompkins, Deepdene Road. John Gray, Slocum Crescent, graduated this month from

Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Miss Margaret Denmead of Baltimore has been a popu-

guest at the home of her aunt, Mrs. I. K. Ward, Borage Place.

Dr. and Mrs. Philip G. Cole and children went Thursday to Lake Placid for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Charles B. Nelcamp, Puritan Avenue, attended the recent National Flag Conference, held at Washington,

#### RECENT PURCHASES

The house at 86 Beechknoll Road has been sold by Alma Gluck Zimbalist to Arthur Travers. The house at 52 Season-good Road, owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond P. Kaighn, since the early days of the Gardens, has been sold to M. Hasselriis, 116 Puritan Avenue. The house at 18 Rockrose Place, owned by W. P. McCulloch and occupied by him and family until last Fall when they moved to Princeton, has been bought by a client of Louis P. McGahie, through whom all of these sales have been made.

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Frank L. Cheek, vice-president and manager of Cheek-Neal Coffee Co., now residing in Kew-Gardens Apartment, has purchased from Taylor Holmes, the house at 9 Fairway Close. chased from Taylor Holmes, the house at 9 Fairway Close. Mr. Cheek and family will occupy the house on July 1. Mr. and Mrs. Harod P. Bogart, 15 Wendover Road, have purchased the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mohan, 140 Greenway North. Mr. and Mrs. Bogart will move into their new house on Oct. 1. Miss Caroline Hills, Tennis Place Apartments, has bought the house at 199 Puritan Avenue, owned by Ralph B. Smith. D. Dumbra, wholesale grocer, Lexington Avenue and Sixteenth Street, has purchased the house owned by V. J. Faeth, corner Colonial Avenue and Ibis Street. These sales have been made by the Forest Hills Associates. sales have been made by the Forest Hills Associates.

#### POST HONORS COMRADES

On Memorial Day the Forest Hills Post of the American Legion conducted services on the Green, in which they honored Rice Bassett, Whitney Bowles, Clarence O. Collins and Lewis Serlin from Forest Hills, who rendered the supreme sacrifice during the war. Commander Thomas B. Paton, Jr. was in charge.

During the services an aeroplane circled over the Green and Comrade John von Hofe dropped a wreath, to which was attached a message from President Harding. The wreath was placed on the memorial tablet and the message, calling upon the people for renewed consecration to "the finest sentiments of national love, devotion and loyalty" was read. The speakers were Robert W. McCleary, Major, Coast Artilley Corps, and Hon. Robert W. Bonynge, ex-Congressman from Colorado, who both made stirring appeals for national patriotism. The Choral Club led the singing; "Lead Kindly Light" was sung by the post quartette, and Dr. Latshaw led in prayer.

The Memorial Day essay contest resulted in prizes being

given to Helen Weld, of Public School 3 for the best grammar school essay; to Jean Maxwell, of Kew Forest School for the best High School essay. Honorable mention was given to Charles G. Hammond, Nedra Gulette and Catherine Lewerth.

#### CHURCH - IN - THE - GARDENS



Record breaking attendance for this season of the year has been recorded during June, and is expected to continue in July, when union services with the First Presby-terian Church will be held in the Churchin-the-Gardens every Sunday morning at II o'clock. The soloist for the month will be Mrs. William Furgerson, while the preacher will be the Rev. Claris Edwin Silcox, Minister of the Church-in-the-Gardens. The following sermon-subjects have been announced:

July 1, "Dependence, Independence and Interdependence, America Among the Nations"; July 8, "The Atrophy of the Soul," The Tragedy of Spiritual Carelessness; July 15, "The Call of the Road," A Sermon for Pilgrims; July 29, "The Road to Unity," A Plea for Church Co-operation.

The service tomorrow morning will be patriotic in character, as it is the Sunday before the Fourth of July, and Mr. Silcox will preach.

The Church School will hold no more sessions until the second Sunday in September when all departments will open again. The Church School picnic at Long Beach was very well attended.

The Minister of the Church, Rev. C. E. Silcox, expects to be in Forest Hills throughout the entire summer and will be glad to render any service within his power. His residence is 57 Winter Street, and his telephone number is Boulevard 0643.

#### RESTRICTIONS ON NEIGHBORING PROPERTY

The agreement drawn by Gardens Corporation regarding the restrictions on the property at the end of Continental Avenue, the proposed auction of which led to the erection of the board fence some weeks ago, was signed by the representatives of the corporation and by the owners of the property on June 1, the day before the auction took place.

The agreement provides for the restriction of the four blocks nearest the Gardens as to private residences, set back, and free spaces, and for the submission of building plans in this area to Gardens Corporation for approval. Most of the houses will be of wooden construction but of a type in conformity with the architectural standards of the Gardens.

#### CHURCH SERVICES—(Summer Schedule)

St. Luke's Episcopal—Rev. William P. S. Lander.

Sundays—Holy Communion, 8 a. m.; service and sermon, 10:30 a. m. Greenway South, near Ascan Avenue.

CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS—Sunday service: Sermon II a. m.

Corner Greenway North and Ascan Avenue.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FOREST HILLS—Rev. Albert Sheppard, M.A., minister. Church services: During July services will be held in the Church-in-the-Gardens.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, OF FOREST HILLS-Services Sunday at II a. m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; Wednesday evening at 8. Reading room open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, except holidays, from 2 to 4 p. m. Masonic Temple.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Sunday morning at 6:45, 8 and 11 o'clock.

Ascan Avenue, near Queens Boulevard.

#### COMING EVENTS

Monday, 3 to 5:30 p. m.—Library open. Sales office.
Friday, 3 to 6 p. m.—Library open. Sales office.
First and third Tuesday evenings of each month, 8 o'clock—
Forest Hills Lodge, 946, F. & A. M.—Masonic Temple.
Wednesday, July 4, from 9:30 a. m. until midnight—Celebration of Independence Day—Forest Hills and

Forest Hills Gardens.

LOST.—Gold fountain pen marked with initials G. W. D. Reward. Boulevard 6746.

LOST.-Girl's bicycle; red letter A on it. Reward. Boulevard 6252.

LOST: Oxford glasses, gold frame, bifocle. Lost near 188 Ascan Avenue. Liberal reward. Boulevard 8149.

#### ST. LUKE'S CHURCH FAIR GREATLY AIDS FUND FOR MEMORIAL CHURCH

Nestling in the picturesque arches of the Greenway Terraces, in front of the Forest Hills Inn, the Street Fair of St. Luke's, June I and 2 only distantly resembled other entertainments of like character. The booths had been most artistically decorated like character. The booths had been most artistically decorated by Nathaniel Wilkes. They were conceived in a style reminiscent of the times of King Tut-ankh-Amen. The decorations were in green and yellow sateen. Gorge J. Bermbach, vice-president of the Forest Hills Inn Co., kindly consented to the use of his establishment for that purpose, allowing the ladies also the facility of the Tea Garden for the occasion. The total receipts were \$3,500.

Much credit should be given to Mrs. Major A. White and her able booth chairmen and their assistants for the success of the affair and for the spirit of bon homie that prevailed. The support and interest of the community in the effort was most gratifying and the ladies desire that this shall serve as

acknowledgment.

#### WEDDINGS IN THIS MONTH OF ROSES

#### Durnin - Hill.

On Wednesday, June 6, at 12 o'clock noon, at the Churchin-the-Gardens, Miss Isabel M. Durnin, of Philadelphia was married to George Hastings Hill, son of Mrs. Florence C. Hill of the Tennis Apartments. The maid-of-honor was Miss Emma C. Quinn, while the bridegroom was attended by Dr. Philip G. Cole, of Markwood Road. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Claris Edwin Silcox, minister of the Church-in-the-Gardens, and the chancel was decorated with Church-in-the-Gardens, and the chancel was decorated with peonies. Mr. and Mrs. Hill will reside in Boston.

#### Muller - Hardie,

On the evening of June 9 in the Church-in-the-Gardens, Miss Edna Muller and Joseph Johns Hardie, both of Richmond Hill, were married. The Rev. A. M. Ellis, of Richmond Hill, was the officiating clergyman and Mrs. George C. LeBlanc was the organist. Mr. Hardie is a son of George E. Hardie, for fourteen wears with the Sage Foundation Homes Co.

Miss Muller's gown was cream crepe and lace with a veil fastened with orange blossoms. The matron of honor was weil fastened with orange blossoms. The matron of honor was Mrs. M. Norman Mitchell, who wore an apple green chiffon gown, while the maids, Misses Marjorie Wright and Rebecca Hardie, wore dresses of peach taffeta. All the bouquets were the old fashioned spring flowers and fitted in with the costumes of the period of 1860. The best man was Henry W. Wright and the ushers Arthur Sheridan and Ward Har-

#### Cole - Griffin.

Albert Clinton Griffin, of Brooklyn, and Miss Alma Gillette Cole, daughter of Mrs. Charles K. Cole, of Brooklyn, and sister of Dr. Philip G. Cole, of Markwood Place, Forest Hills Gardens, were united in marriage at the Church-in-the-Gardens Gardens, were united in marriage at the Church-in-the-Gardens on Wednesday afterhoon, June 27, at 2:45 o'clock. The service was read by the minister of the church, Rev. Claris Edwin Silcox. Dr. and Mrs. Philip G. Cole acted as best man and matron-of-honor respectively. The arrival of the bridal party at the church was announced by the chimes. Mrs. George C. LeBlanc, a former organist of the church, played the Bridal Chorus from Lohengrin as a processional, and the March from Mendelssohn's Midsummer Night's Dream as recessional. During the ceremony proper, Barnby's wedding hymn "O Perfect Love, All Human Thought Transcending" was played softly on the organ.

#### Snow - Allington.

On this Saturday afternoon, June 30, at 4 o'clock, Miss Annette Snow, one of the teachers in the local public school, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Snow, formerly of Forest Hills and now of 375 Riverside Drive, will be married at the Church-in-the-Gardens to Earl W. Allington, of the Gardens Apartments. The ceremony will be performed by the Roy C. F. Silcox, minister of the church, while the church Gardens Apartments. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. C. E. Silcox, minister of the church, while the church organist, Samuel Pearce, will play the customary wedding music. The bride and bridegroom will be attended by Mr. and Mrs. H. Clifford Allington, of Irvington-on-the-Hudson. In the autumn Mr. and Mrs. Allington will reside at 31 Greenway Terraces.

#### Cordon - Olinger.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Cordon announce the marriage of their daughter, Lolita, to Robert Wallace Olinger, on June 7, at Forest Hills. They are at home at 15 Greenway Terraces.

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# Roosevelt Memorial Dedicated by Bishop Burgess at Forest Hills

The cornerstone of St. Luke's Church—the Theodore Roosevelt Memorial—was laid Sunday, June 10 by Rt. Rev. Frederick Burgess, Bishop of Long Island. The site for the picturesque church, which is expected to become not only the house of worship for Forest Hills Episcopalians, but also a national shrine, is on Greenway South, near Crawford street, adjoining the present frame chapel.

The principal address of the afternoon was delivered by Hermann Hagedorn, trustee and secretary of the Roosevelt Memorial Association and director of the Bureau of Roosevelt Research and

Information.

Besides the Rev. William P. S. Lander, rector of the church, the following ministers from Brooklyn and Long Island were present: The Rev. Albert J. Lovelee, of the Church of the Transfiguration in Brooklyn; the Rev. Clifford W. French, of St. Gabriel's Church, Hollis; the Rev. G. Wharton Mc-Mullin, of the Church of the Nativity, Mineola; the Rev. John W. Crowell, of St. John the Baptist's Church, Brooklyn; the Rev. H. H. Hassinger, of the Church of the Annunciation, Glendale; the Rev. John B. Cooper, of Christ Church, Lynbrook, and the Rev. Arthur R. Cummings, of the Church of the Resurrection, in Richmond Hill.

Mr. Hagedorn, who has written several books on the life of Colonel Roosevelt and who is also a poet and playwright, delivered a stirring

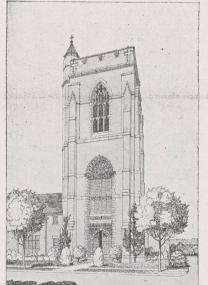
address on the services of Colonel Roosevelt to the nation and humanity. An interesting feature of the ceremonies was the appearance of a banner presented by the Altar Guild of St. Luke's. The banner is of gold brocade with a large red cross, the ends being formed into crosslets, surmounted by the insignia of Forest Hills, with the letters in blue and the tree in natural colors.

The church will be built in units. For the present all that is being constructed is the main auditorium, which will seat about 145 persons. Later a 70-foot tower and two wings will be built. The total cost of the edifice will be \$125,000. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy by Christmas, 1923. The design is an adaptation of early English Gothic, in brick, stone and tile, in harmony with the local community architecture. The architect is Robert Tappan, a member of the parish,

who is also in charge of the construction of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

The great west window over the entrance will be the Roosevelt window, portraying events in his life and symbols of his great character, executed after the manner of the Jesse windows of medieval times, which are prominent features of great European cathedrals. Lawrence F. Abott, of the Outlook, who was Colonel Roosevelt's companion on his last European trip, will supervise the details of this window.

It is believed that Forest Hills is an ideal spot for a Roosevelt shrine, because he made his memorable "100 Per Cent American" speech here on July 4, 1917. Approving the idea of the new memorial to his father, Assistant Secretary of the Navy Theodore Roosevelt said recently: "It would seem to me to be in perfect consonance with my father's ideals of life."



PROPOSED ROOSEVELT TOWER

#### Mr. Hagedorn's Address.

It is a sure instinct which has impelled men through the centuries to associate with their churches the names of men and women who have served to give them a fresh understanding of the fundamental verities of life. The men and women chosen for this high honor have been chosen because they lived clean lives, devoted to the service of their fellowmen; and living such lives thereby made abstract principles vivid and intelligible; brought virtue out of the clouds into the common ways of men; and made the power of the spirit manifest even to dull and heavy eyes. It may have been the Apostle Peter or the Apostle Paul, or Thomas, or Bartholomew, or John the Divine, or the lovely

Lady Agnes of the lambs, or the Lady Teresa (who was the great social worker of her time), or Francis of the lepers and the birds-apart altogether from the dogmas each may have come to represent—their lives had a shimmering quality which gave a life to the spirits of those that contemplated them. Each in his way, in her way, cast an iridescent loveliness over the otherwise dull business of being good. In vivid flashes they revealed even to the most incredulous that the copybcoks are right and that great virtue is not incompatible with great happiness. Living simple lives, most of them, of day-by-day service, they somehow made the material splendors of life seem tawdry and the spiritual substance infinitely to be desired. To a world absorbed in little and largely unimportant facts, they interpreted eternal truth, and men named churches for them to keep individual interpretation living in their hearts.

Theodore Roosevelt was not a Christian martyr (though if he had been it is fair to suspect that the lion in the case might have found him formidable); he was not at all a saint, unless you include under that designation some of the two-fisted fighters for righteousness out of the old Testament whom St. Paul exults in, in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews. He was altogether human and he did not pretend that he was anything else, or that his aims were at bottom different from those held by other right thinking, normal American citizens. The arm of Ulysses was mighty with the bow, but however far the arrow sped it fell on the solid ground of this planet, never over the edge. was perhaps a limitation—I would not presume to say whether it was, or not. The stars are fair game and the men who shoot their arrows among them are glorious even if they do not hit anything; the hum of the bowstring and the flash of the arrow themselves constitute achievement. velt was not of those who sit on the parapets of time brooding over the problem of eternity. He was of this earth and of the thronged centers of this earth. The cloudy edges had no appeal for him.

Mankind Needs Leadership.

Sometimes mankind requires an archangel who is all fire and wings; sometimes it requires even more a leader who is the embodied expression of the average man's human aspirations. I believe, men being as they are, the products of centuries which have made much of material things at the expense of spiritual values, it was a dispensation of immeasurable value that a leader arose who was jubilantly of earth and of the blood of common men, who understood the reactions and aspirations of the man of ordinary capabilities because, as he himself insisted again and again, he was himself only "a man of ordinary capabilities extraordinarily developed." The words which such a man would speak would be simple words, easily understood; and the matters which he would talk of would be matters that were close to the common man's heart. Our own forebodings and aspirations for the first time became intelligible to us through his words. He crystallized our cloudy musings. Under his spell we rediscovered our country and took pride in her and came to feel a personal responsibility for her welfare and honor. He made us desire, not safety, but the doing of difficult things. He made us want to do our duty. He made us ashamed not to want to do our duty. He stung our consciences to life.

Meaning of the Name.

In giving the name of Roosevelt to the church which is to be reared upon this cornerstone, you bring into intimate contact with your daily lives, not as the builders of churches have more often done. the spirit of some holy mystic, some stranger out of other worlds, appealing to hearts already half set free, but the spirit of one whose peculiar gift it was to stir the first elementary spiritual longings in men who had never known a spiritual impulse before. Saints have their high place, and the world, God knows, has never at any time had too many of them; but I hope you will not misunderstand me when I say that for his day and generation-and his day. I believe, will be long-he was, and is, of more value to his fellowmen than a saint would have been. The world had to be made ready for its saints. Men must be half saints themselves in order to appreciate saintliness and to follow the leadership of those burning and shining lights whom all branches of the Christian church unite in regarding as the purest ring of radiance that circles the throne of God. There must be a long period of preparation when in the dull, the enslaved mind, the spark of spiritual life is first kindled, then blown into flame. There must first be a Moses, a Micah and Ezekiel, before the world is ready even to be stung to anger by a Jesus.

Saints are rare, but they are scarcely less rare than those others who, without miracles, without dramatic conversions, waken in the slumbering creature the light of the spirit and start him on the long journey toward spiritual understanding. Roosevelt was such a man. I have seen the eyes of men who had committed all the deadly sins (and most of the others) light up at the name of Roosevelt in a way which meant that in the brute had been born the flicker of the spirit.

Turning Down a Bribe.

I remember one gentleman especially, whom we will call Jake. He had been a crooked gambleran extremely crooked gambler-and when I asked him whether in a famous round-up of horse-thieves he had been one of the deputy sheriffs, he drily remarked—no, he had been "on the other side." He recounted to me how Roosevelt, when they were both young, had been on a hunting trip with him, and how Roosevelt had told him that while he had been in the New York Assembly he had at one time been offered a bribe of a million dollars. "It took me a long while to understand why he turned it down," said the man. (I am quoting verbatim.) "You know I had just been with a lot of roughnecks, cow-punchers and horse-thieves and murderers. He was the first man I met who really knew anything." Jake was a game butcher who slaughtered deer for their pelts. Roosevelt argued with him and gradually the man saw light. "I would get a letter from him every week," he said. "You know how he could swell a fellow up. 'Write and tell me what you are doing,' he would say. 'Any 'time you feel that you want to lean on me don't hesitate to let me know.' Those letters were great things to a fellow starting out—a roughneck as I was. He was a revelation to me. He was the first man who made me see that there was a difference between right and wrong." That man is today one of the most respected citizens of a great western state.

Lights Kindled.

There are similar stories to tell in the field of politics—how Roosevelt kindled lights in the darkness of many a soul and gave him his first vision of something other than greed and lust and the abuse of power. "There ain't a man who ever came in contact with Theodore Roosevelt," said one Irish politician to me, "who ain't a better man because of it."

"I've had my troubles on the Force since he left," said a Jewish policeman, "and there's been times I've felt, like any man would, like getting revenge when the chance came, or doing things that other men were doing but that weren't just all right. But I thought of him and I didn't do them. I said to myself—"People know that you're his friend and what you do reflects on him. You have a right to dabble with your own reputation, but you haven't a right to dabble with his."

In Roosevelt was had, perhaps, the finest flowering until now of the democratic spirit. In the great

movement which seeks to lift the standard of human government and to enlarge and purify the individual, by giving him the rights which make men self-respecting and the responsibilities which develop character; in the great democratic movement to which, in spite of temporary flare-backs, the world is more and more giving itself, Roosevelt was the first who was able to demonstrate that brotherhood is not altogether a sentimental dream. Washington, himself an aristocrat, established a government on the theory of equality of opportunity and responsibility. Lincoln, a man of the people, demonstrated for all time that the theory was sound, and that character, honor, integrity, intellect, administrative power, vision, transcendent genius may as likely be found in cabins, half open to the storm, as in stately houses and in universities. Roosevelt, with Washington and Lincoln as his greatest heroes, made the sense of brotherhood, on which democracy is ultimately based, for flashing instants, a reality.

#### Men Felt Like Brothers.

It was not only that he felt like a brother to others; there are many of us who, in exalted moments, experience that emotion. The significant thing is that the others felt like brothers to him. I have heard them use the very word. "He was like a brother to me," said an ex-cowpuncher of Dakota with tears in his eyes. That was not merely a phrase. Cowboys do not indulge themselves in phrase-making. It was a burning reality. Not only his cowboy friends felt it, his "cops" on the New York Force felt it, his rough-riders supremely felt it I had a letter only a few weeks ago from a roughrider who has since died, Ben Daniels, who you may remember when Roosevelt asked him what had happened to his somewhat mutilated ear, responded casually, "Oh, a gentleman bit it off." And what did you do to the gentleman, Ben?" "Oh, we broke about even." Old Ben Daniels could not spell very well but the words of devotion he wrote told more about Roosevelt than Ben, no doubt, himself imagined.

It was not only the men and women who had personal contacts who felt the fraternal relation. People who had never seen him, who had never come within rarge of his galvanizing personality or of the sound of his voice, regarded him somehow closer and dearer to them than blood-brothers often are. When he died men wept who had shed no tears at the death of a father or a mother. It was not that, as Americans, they mourned the loss of a leader whom they knew their country most bitterly needed. Men's tears do not flow for their country, though their blood may. They wept because they had lost what in the old West used to be known as a "pardner," the bunkmate, the man to whom in spirit at least they could pour out their troubles and their shy, tenuous aspirations, knowing that he would understand. The world was suddenly appallingly empty, like a house from which the companion of a lifetime has been taken.

No other leader in American life has borne that relationship to countless thousands of the American people. "When you get among the rough, poor, honest, hard-working people," wrote his old friend Bill Sewall, "they are almost all, both men and women, believers in Roosevelt." There were cultivated men and women, of wealth and social standing, who believed in him as passionately as any,

but it was among the poor, among the struggling that he was best beloved. Such a man living high up away from the world in the Colorado mountains wrote what have always seemed to me words of classic dignity and beauty. "He was my friend and the friend of all humanity. He opened my eyes and put hope in my heart as no other living man had ever done before. Being an ignorant man—without even a common school education—I sought only for truth, and by heaven I found it in him."

The World's Supreme Need.

The world supremely needed and needs such a man who can go to people where they live in their barren valleys, or by their stagnant pools, and draw them into the great stream; one has such sympathy, such understanding in his heart for the common tribulations of common men that he can open doors which have never yielded to any other key. He knew his power and he used it for great ends. Having awakened the spirit he put it to work. Knowing his people he was profoundly wise in the nature of the appeal which he made to them. It is glorious when men can in an instant by one blinding flash of truth be lifted out of their ignorance and their erring as a few crystalline spirits in history have been able to lift their fellowmen. Most of us, however are not yet ready to be lifted like that; in a splendid moment to cast the sweet magic of earth behind us and lay hold on the dazzling substance of heaven. But we will respond to one who cries "I like you! Come and help me out in a big job I am doing! It'll give you good exercise and you'll have a bully time!" That was Roosevelt's method. Men came with a shout; first because they admired him and loved him, then because through him they came to love service and through service, the light that on all service lies. Roosevelt trapped men into virtue. He made Christians of men in spite of Roosevelt was a great spiritual themselves. leader, not because he promulgated a great new doctrine or interpreted more clearly than they had been interpreted before any great spiritual truths. Lincoln had a more penetrating vision, a closer personal relationship with a Deity who was his constant source of inspiration in trials of terrifying magnitude. Roosevelt's great service lay in calling forth the good that was in men's hearts, and having called it forth to put it to work. Other leaders have appealed to the idealism in men and have in the end done only harm because they were unable to give the idealism which they thus called forth a practical outlet. Roosevelt set it to work, in the home, in the community, in the nation, at the obvious tasks which needed to be done.

Someone has said paradoxically that Roosevelt was an Old Testament Christian. The description has always seemed to me to be extraordinarily apt. He himself recognized his spiritual kinship with the valiant fighters for righteousness who make the books of the prophets glow with a golden splendor. In a letter written during the last year of his life he said, with a mingling of intensity and grim humor which was characteristic: "My whole concern at this time is practically the same concern that Amos, Micah and Isaiah had for Jerusalem three thousand years ago. In those days a prophet was very apt to get himself stoned. Nowadays he merely excites the ire of the person who would otherwise read the magazines or newspapers in which his prophecies appear. But he hasn't any

business to damage his magazine or newspaper. I am not dead sure that the prophet business can be combined with keeping up circulation. I am quite prepared to feel that now that I am in my sixtieth year it would be to the interest of everybody that I should cease being a prophet and become that far pleasanter and more innocuous person, a sage. But as long as I am in the prophet business I wish to prophesy.'

#### Sincerity and Intensity.

No one who knows the history of the past thirty or forty years needs to be reminded of the causes which he urged with a prophet's sincerity and intensity. How he stirred the imagination of men with his appeals for integrity in business and politics, for national defense, for unswerving and undivided loyalty! It was with a prophet's fire that he fought against the perils of class cleavage, that he cried to capital and to labor alike, "So far shall ye go, and no farther!" With consuming ardor, year in, year out, he trumpeted the doctrine that "This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in, if it is not a reasonably good place for all of us to live in!" More than once, he himself went down to defeat; but the causes he espoused will not go down to defeat for they have forever behind them his word, his example and the memory of his flaming spirit.

He fought for great reforms, for the enforcement of law and for the making of new laws where old laws were inadequate. But always he insisted that laws are only temporary makeshifts; that laws can do a little to bring justice, but only a little; that behind the laws there must be character, there must be virtue, there must be strength, there must

be sympathy, there must be idealism.

"It is character," he cried, "that counts in a nation as in a man. It is a good thing to have a keen, fine intellectual development in a nation, to produce orators, artists, successful business men; but it is an infinitely greater thing to have those solid qualities which we group together under the name of character-sobriety, steadfastness, the sense of obligation toward one's neighbor and ore's God, hard common sense and combined with it, the lift of generous enthusiasm toward whatever is right. These are the qualities which go to make up true national greatness.

Many people beside Roosevelt have said these things, but they did not make them real. It is not words which count in lifting a people a little nearer to the light; it is action. Roosevelt made strenuous virtue a reality because he lived it. Many men have talked about brotherhood in the abstract, but somehow the spark did not jump across. Roosevelt talked very little about it, if at all, but he lived it, and Tom and Dick and Harry and Susan and Mary and Jane-brakeman and farmer and school teacher and prairie mother and millionaire-felt it instinctively and gave him keys to the city.

You will remember that it was heroism and love which wakened the Sleeping Beauty and brought the cobwebbed castle back to life.

The text which he loved best was from Micah: "And what shall the Lord require of thee but to visit the widowed and fatherless in their affliction; to do justly."

That text, you will note, dcmands no great flights into the empyrean. What it does demand is to do the service next door which cries to be done; to be strong with the strong, to be gentle with the weak, to give a square deal to all; and to be governed neither by whim nor by expediency, nor by the price of intellect; but in humility, setting self-will aside, to find out and to follow external principles.

Nor was the second text, which Roosevelt liked to quote, an adjuration to effort beyond the average man's power; "And be ye doers of the Word and not hearers only." The Word, the essence of the Word, as he conceived it, was Love and Service. And Love and Service are a mockery so long as you preach them without practice; but, translated into action, they set all the great and lesser wheels of life into motion and make the desert blossom and set crooked things straight. Only on a basis of love and service can political and social progress develop or character ripen into spiritual understanding.

The Old Testament came before the New Testament; the Law came before the Revelation: virtue and tenderness and the daily giving of the obvious service must be the mind's established habits before the heart will be ready for spiritual understanding. That is the message of Roosevelt.

#### The Message to the Community.

You are giving the name of Roosevelt to this church. It is a bold thing to do. You are saying to this congregation, to this community, to all your fellow countrymen, and to your brothers who live lives like yours under other flags, that you recognize that there can be no spiritual life except on a basis of individual and civic virtue, of justice, or mercy, and of work together for the common good. You are saying that neither the individual who is base nor the nation which is base can be lifted up out of the black valley to the heights where the light of heaven shines, by laws which other men make or by sacrifices which other men offer; but only by the laborious striving of each individual against the brute in himself and in other men. You are saying, finally, that the brotherhood of man is a practical possibility, but a possibility that can be transformed into reality, not by legislation or decree, but only to the extent that each individual establishes a relation of brotherhood with other individuals. "We need," as Roosevelt declared, "we need leaders of inspired idealism, leaders to whom are granted great visions, who dream greatly and strive to make their dreams come true, who can kindle the people with the fire from their own burning souls." But "in the long fight for rightcousness the watchword for all of us"-not for one or two only-"for all of us, is spend and be spent."

Through virtue, love and service lies the road, lies the only road to the Hill of Vision. That is the message which you today, in the name of Roosevelt, are trumpeting to the world. If the world hears, you will have laid a cornerstone for "a temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.'