

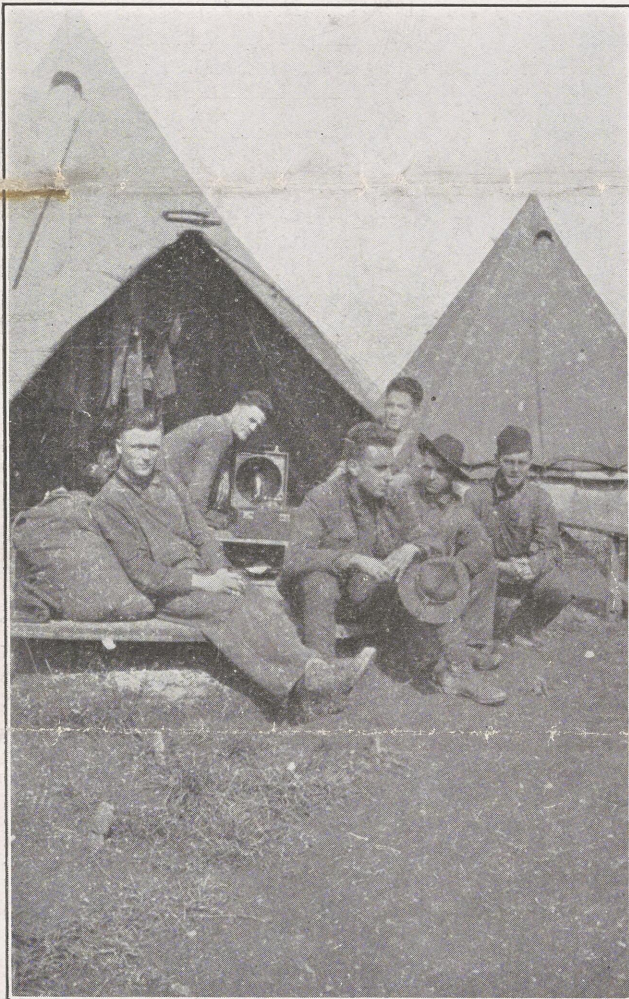
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PHONOGRAPH AND "BIRDS"

LETTER FROM LIEUTENANT WARREN

The following letter has just been received from Lieutenant Harvey T. Warren:

I am enclosing a picture which one of my "birds" took and which I thought you might care to publish in the Bulletin inasmuch as it shows the phonograph in action. It sure has been a blessing and the boys are playing it all the time. We are organizing a Jazz band and I wish I had brought my drum along from Forest Hills as the only drums in England are built on the model used in the Crimean War, I judge. The modern "trap" drum seems to be an unknown instrument of torture over here. We are trying to import some through the Y. M. C. A.

Have changed stations since I last wrote and we are about 200 miles nearer France, but still in England. At the rate they are doing things overseas right now, we'll have to hurry if we are to get there before the march up Unter den Linden starts, but guess there will still be time for all of us to get into the muss.

The Garden Players will be interested to know that

I am now rehearsing the "birds" in a "gr-rand-d drama" that I wrote in a moment of mental indigestion. Will send you a program if I survive the performance. We had to postpone rehearsals for awhile as my "orchestra" went on a beautiful drunk and is now reposing in the guard house. That's the trouble with these artistic temperaments. He sure can tease a piano, however, and I'm afraid I'll have to commute his sentence if the play is to proceed. Thus art interferes with justice!

The Bulletins are arriving regularly and are very welcome. Thank you for sending them. Kindest regards to all friends.

PEACE AND THE UNITED WAR WORK CAMPAIGN.

Germany and Austria-Hungary having accepted the terms of the armistice as laid down by the Allies, the concluding of Peace is but a matter of detail, after which will follow the tremendous task of demobilization. With thoughtfulness and gratitude in our hearts we should turn our attention to the United War Work Campaign, giving to our utmost and serving in every possible way to help make it a success. President Wilson has told us that in the event of Peace the need for making a success of the United War Work Campaign will be greater than ever. Instead of \$170,500,000, \$250,500,000 will be needed to look after our boys by these seven agencies until the time when demobilization will have been completed. Forest Hills is lagging behind and unless each one puts his shoulder to the wheel and gives to the utmost, we shall fail to get the \$25,000 we are expected to raise.

CARD PARTY

For the Benefit of the United War Work Campaign

The Women's Club of Forest Hills will give a card party at the Inn on Monday afternoon, November 18th, at 2 o'clock, the proceeds to go toward the quota for the Forest Hills District. The tickets, including afternoon tea, will be \$1.00, and can be obtained at either of the drugstores or from Mrs. Harold E. Daniels, Mrs. C. W. Johnson, Mrs. J. R. Woodrough, or Mrs. C. H. Scammell. The winners at each table will be given a chance on a \$1,000 Liberty Bond, which is being sold for the campaign fund. Should all of these chances have been disposed of at the time of the card party the drawing will be made at that time. It is suggested that tables be engaged for the party, as there will be a limited number. Any game of cards preferred may be played.

Keep 'Em Smiling! Give Again!

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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 27 Greenway Terrace, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

MRS. RUSSELL SAGE—HER RELATION TO FOREST HILLS GARDENS.

While the Russell Sage Foundation established Forest Hills Gardens, it was Mrs. Russell Sage who organized the Foundation which bears her husband's name. Therefore practically she was the founder of Forest Hills Gardens. It was largely because of Mrs. Sage's interest in housing reform that the Foundation undertook this particular enterprise. She always took a special interest in our garden city. She usually passed through it on her trips to and from her country home at Lawrence, and until recent years, when physical weakness kept her in seclusion, was accustomed to make a brief tour of inspection. The Church in the Gardens was her personal gift. Olivia Park was named after her, the Russell Sage Foundation was only one of Mrs. Sage's many philanthropies. Her interests were very broad. They included public purposes of all kinds, religious, educational and charitable, but her largest and most notable gift, and the one with which her name will be most closely associated in coming generations, is that to the Russell Sage Foundation.

LOCAL ELECTION FIGURES

This election district, the 49th of the 6th Assembly District, comprising Forest Hills Gardens and a small section of Kew Gardens, voted for some of the principal candidates on Election Day, as follows:

For Governor—Whitman, (Rep.) 263 votes; Smith, (Dem.) 129 votes.

For Congress—Caldwell, (Endorsed by both Democratic and Republican Parties) 291 votes.

For Supreme Court—Faber, (Rep.) 215 votes; Dike, (Rep) 146 votes; Roy, (Dem.) 92 votes; Connolly, (Dem.) 120 votes.

For County Clerk—Clara Rogers, (Rep.) 206 votes; Edwin Cox, (Dem.) 130 votes.

ANNUAL AUDUBON MEETING

The annual meeting of the Audubon Society will be held on Thursday evening, November 21st, at 8 o'clock, at the office of the Homes Company, 27 Greenway Terraces. The members are earnestly requested to be present and to take this notice in lieu of the usual notification by mail. The Trustees are asked to bear in mind their responsibility regarding the election of officers for the ensuing year. There are many matters of interest to be discussed.

MOTHERS' CLUB MEETING

At the Mothers' Club meeting to be held this Monday, November 18th, at the home of Mrs. E. H. Mays, 175 Slocum Crescent, at 3 P. M., Miss Anne Moore of the New York Public Library will speak on "Christmas Books for Children." Miss Moore is in charge of the Children's Department at the Library and one of the best authorities on this subject. A large attendance is desired.

PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

Agnes A. Cording, Principal.

Miss Martha A. Patterson, a teacher in Public School No. 3, succumbed to an attack of pneumonia on Saturday, November 9th, at her home in Mineola.

Miss Patterson came to the school a little over a year ago. She was faithful and earnest in her labor among us and endeared herself to teachers and pupils alike.

It is proposed to place a memorial in the school in loving memory of Mrs. Shaw and Miss Patterson, that their work may be perpetuated.

In the United War Work Campaign, all children who pledge themselves to earn five dollars by the end of the year are to be called Victory Boys or Victory Girls. Several have already pledged.

During the epidemic a close watch has been kept on the health of the school children, and a daily report sent to District Superintendent Perry. The report made on November 11th showed 6 per cent. absent. Conditions have now so improved that the ban on assembly has been raised.

HONOR ROLL, P. S. NO. 3

Agnes A. Cording, Principal.

6B—Olivia Edwards, Boston Hunt, Robert Millen, Ferdinand Neumer, Hanno Schrader.

6A—Collier Elliott.

5B—Jewel Aldrich, Ruth Davies, Elizabeth McGowan, George Simons.

5A—Gerturde Cantrell, Helen Serena, Vida Wright, Edward Moscoop.

4B—Betty Bristol, Emily Peborde, Calvert Cole.

3B—Bramwell Case.

2B—Harriett Barnard.

2A—Lucy Favreau, Barbara Miesel, Helen Miesel, William Colton, Floyd McTyier.

PLAYGROUND

Boys and girls of the Playground are to give a dance (Red Cross Benefit) at the Inn in December. As soon as the date is known we hope to sell a large number of tickets. They will be sold by the Playground girls and boys. Please keep this in mind.

"SUNSHINE AND SHADOW"

To be presented at the Inn by the children of Forest Hills, a pageant. Through it one will be able to learn just what the National Child Labor Committee is doing in the United States—in New York City. Watch for the date in the next Bulletin.

THE INN

Among the occupants of the new addition to the Inn, recently completed, are Dr. and Mrs. J. Wilbur Chapman, of Jamaica; Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Bixler, of New York; Mrs. S. B. Brownell and daughter, Mrs. and Miss Rising, of Saugerties, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Lytle J. Hunter, of Flushing, L. I., with their daughter, Mrs. E. H. Smith and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Massey, and R. V. Massey, Jr.; Mrs. J. L. Beavis and daughter, of Cleveland, O.; and Mr. and Mrs. Martin, Maurer, also of Cleveland, O.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Boles, of Wynnewood, Pa., spent several days visiting their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Boles, of the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Middleton and Miss Marjorie have returned from their recent trip and are now occupying their new suite at the Inn, where they anticipate spending the balance of the winter.

Mrs. Eleanor Messenger, mother of Mr. and Mrs. John Messenger, is among the recent arrivals at the Inn, where it is hoped she will make a prolonged stay.

Mr. Z. A. Toola, who is connected with the Government Gas Defense Plant at Long Island City, has recently returned from an important business trip and again taken up residence at the Inn.

C. A. B. Zook, U. S. N., Mrs. Zook and two small sons are among the winter guests who have recently arrived at the Inn.

Lieutenant Christy Knudsen, who was a member of the class graduated from West Point last week, is the guest of his cousin, Miss Martha Williams, and anticipates remaining in Forest Hills while awaiting orders from the Government.

Mr. O. L. Milliron, of the Inn, has recently returned from a business trip to Washington, D. C., where he has been for the past six weeks.

Mrs. Edward Spahr, of the Inn, gave a most delightful party to fourteen guests on Saturday evening last. The table was set in the sun parlor, with yellow chrysanthemums as decorations and, with the amber lights of the room, the party presented a festive sight. Dancing was enjoyed between the courses and after the close of the dinner.

PERSONAL NOTES

A son, John Young, was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Millar of Olive Place on Monday, November 11th.

Miss Henrietta Jessup of Groton Street is now en route overseas as a member of Unit No. 1 of Army Dieticians with orders to report for Base Hospital work abroad.

A letter from Lieutenant Wessmann states that a captured German helmet, a trophy of a rescue air expedition at the front in which he participated, is now on its way to Forest Hills.

Stanley Hillman of the 107th Infantry cabled, on November 1st that he was safe and in a rest camp. This means that this regiment is resting after long sustained and desperate fighting on the British front. It was in this fighting that Thoms and Young were wounded and Hillman had two guns shot from his hands.

RED CROSS

The best way to send Christmas presents to the men abroad is, first, to get a box at the Red Cross House and, second, after packing it, to return it there, unsealed, for sending.

Report of work done and shipments made in October shows that one thousand bath towels and three hundred hand towels were completed and sent in accordance with allotment requirements. There were also produced fourteen hundred surgical dressings and with this week one thousand influenza masks will have been completed.

The character of the work is now to change slightly. No more surgical dressings will be made, but a heavy call has come for other hospital supplies and refugee garments. Workers are still needed.

Forest Hills Gardens Audubon Society.

Fourth Annual Report, June 8th, 1917, to June 8th, 1918.

To the average person there seems to be little in common between war and the birds, and appeals for interest and support in bird protective work during this year of stirring appeal and desperate need is almost an imposition, and is in fact looked upon as such by some persons who ask why money should be spent to protect birds, when every human need is crying for satisfaction, and every energy is called upon to meet the required activities of the war.

The Audubon Society has not tried to do much this year. Its fourth annual report is not a record that will take much time to read, and yet your Secretary voices the conviction of all true conservationists in saying that there never was a time when bird protection was more important, and that could it be properly emphasized, we would have Mr. Hoover telling us that if we want our War Gardens to yield a full quota we must bring back the birds because the insect and seed eaters are so tremendously necessary to the agricultural interests of the Nation.

Little was done last summer other than to keep up the lamp post bulletins and occasional notices as the season demanded in the Forest Hills Bulletin. In January forty pounds of mixed grain was distributed and mostly used in the late winter and early spring when experience has taught us that there is much suffering among the migratory birds.

The annual meeting postponed to October 24th was held in the Church-in-the-Gardens, and there were ten persons present. It was followed by a trustees' meeting at which the old officers were re-elected and Mrs. George Smart and Miss M. E. Miller were elected trustees. It was realized that little could be accomplished on account of the absorption of the people in war activities. But the question of getting out a Year Book was discussed and only the matter of financing it has held it back. It was felt that aside from its convenience as a publicity measure it would be a practical resume of things accomplished and a hand book to be used by people desirous of attracting birds to the Gardens and about the homes of individuals. Every locality has its own problems and ours is a peculiar one because we are in Greater New York, whereas most of the Audubon Societies are situated where there is far more open country with ponds or lakes nearby. This fact alone would make a book suitable for use by our Gardens residents quite different from the ordinary Year Book.

The main educational effort of the Society this year was the Seton lecture. Ernest Thompson Seton made us a special price of \$50.00 for this lecture and proved to be a forceful, interesting talker, showing excellent pictures. After it was over, Miss Marguerite Valentine played most acceptably and the evening's entertainment netted the Audubon Society about \$40.00. Our President, Mr. Hagens, Mrs. Washburne and Miss Ann Smith particularly worked hard to make the affair a success. Some advertising by means of a group of local birds lent us by the Natural History Museum attracted considerable interest.

The work among the children did not receive any special attention this year, but Mr. Hagens gave one talk at the school, and the children kept the feeding station on the school grounds attended to.

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Coming Events.

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

Tuesday Afternoons, 3:30, Public School 101.—Girls' Sewing Class.

Tuesdays at 8 P. M., at the Sales Office of the Homes Company.—Meetings of the Chess and Checkers Club.

Thursdays at 8:15 P. M., at Ninth Regiment Armory, 14th Street, New York City—Ninth Coast Artillery Drill.

Week days, except Saturday, 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., at the Meyer house—Red Cross work room open. All welcome.

Monday, November 18th, at 2 P. M., at the Inn.—Card Party for benefit of United War Work Campaign. Tickets \$1.00.

Monday, November 18th, at 3 P. M., at 173 Slocum Crescent.—Mothers' Club Meeting with address by Miss Anne Moore on "Christmas Books for Children."

Thursday, November 21st, at 8 P. M., at 27 Greenway Terrace (Homes Company Office).—Annual meeting of the Audubon Society.

Friday, November 22nd, afternoon and evening, at Church of Forest Hills, Seminole Avenue and Gown Street.—Annual Fair of Ladies' Auxiliary. All are cordially invited.

Forest Hills Gardens Audubon Society.

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Our financial condition is good. Some \$89.00 was carried over from last year—about \$40.00 cleared from the lecture, and \$68.00 taken in in subscriptions so far, making a balance on hand today of \$177.06. The bill heads carried the message "Attract the Birds and Save the Gardens,"

Owing to the severity of the winter the number of birds in our locality is not nearly so large as it was a year ago. This spring the migration was early and not so many remained to breed. Mr. Hagens reports very few blue birds, and lays it to the prevailing and aggressive house sparrow. The wrens have very much increased and their voices are heard all over town. Their increase, says Mr. Hagens, is directly due to the nesting boxes put up for them. The sensation of the year as a visitor, and we hope as a resident, is the fly catcher. Orioles, tanagers, phoebes, have been noted as well as other kinds of sparrows, besides the domestic and many varieties of warblers.

It will be necessary to work hard this year to make up for the losses of last winter. Don't let us forget to plant grain and sun flower seeds along the edges of our gardens, and to put up more nesting boxes of which there are not nearly enough in the Gardens. If every family would buy at least one box it would go a good way toward making good our bird deficit.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY EASTWOOD KNEVELS,

Secretary.

THE MEN'S CLUB

Plans for the coming year are briefly outlined in the following letter of President Millar to the members of the club.

TO THE MEMBERS:

It is undoubtedly true that the nations with whom we are associated in arms will continue to be our closest friends when peace shall have been restored, and it is believed that the Men's Club may profitably employ this season acquiring a better understanding of the histories, the present conditions, and the aims of these countries.

Therefore, the object of the program for the season 1918—1919 is to further our acquaintance with the various people now our Allies.

With this object in view an effort will be made to secure authoritative speakers from the Allied Countries, and as these talks will be somewhat in the nature of a series, the regular attendance of members at the meetings is respectfully suggested.

D. MILLAR, President.

Church Services.

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 9.30 o'clock. Ascan Avenue, near Queens Boulevard.

St. Luke's Episcopal—Sunday mornings, 8 o'clock, Holy Communion; 9:45 o'clock, Sunday School; 11 o'clock, Morning Service and Sermon. Fridays, 10 A. M., Litany Service, Greenway South, near Ascan Avenue.

Vicar's residence, 100 Puritan Avenue; telephone, Forest Hills, 6508.

Church-in-the-Gardens—Sunday mornings, Sunday School at 10 o'clock; sermon at 11 o'clock. Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday at 7:30 P. M. in Social Room. Greenway North and Ascan Avenue.

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. 173 Continental Avenue.

Church-in-the-Gardens.

Referring in his sermon last Sunday morning on "Being Rich Toward God" to Mrs. Russell Sage, the donor of the beautiful church, organ and chimes, Dr. Kent read to the people the letter he had received from her when the cornerstone was laid and in which she said: "I wish I could be personally present when the corner-stone is laid. I hope its doors will always be open to everyone who loves the Lord Jesus Christ and wishes to do His will. Denominational lines mean nothing to me. Faith in our Lord and the motive of his life of service to all mankind is all we need to unite us."

The title of Mrs. Smart's lesson in the series on "Religious Education" tomorrow night in the Social Room at 8 o'clock will be "The Child from Six to Nine." The Primary lesson will be demonstrated. This series of Sunday evening lectures is intensely interesting and of great value. All who wish to come are welcome.

A special service of praise and thanksgiving to celebrate the ending of the great war will be held tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Special music is being prepared and a chorus gathered for it. All the people in this and adjacent communities whose obligation to other churches will not prevent are invited to come and join with us in voicing our gratitude and joy.

Church of Forest Hills Fair.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Forest Hills Church will have their annual Fair on Friday afternoon and evening, November 22nd, in the social rooms of the church, corner Seminole and Gown. It will consist of six booths.

Mrs. Edwin Schlesier, Chairman, Fancy Booth; Mrs. E. Backus, Chairman, two Pure Food Booths; Mrs. John Bingham, Chairman Apron Booth; Mrs. Robert Wylie, Chairman, Children's and Candy Booth; Mrs. F. Betts, Chairman Utility Booth; Mrs. V. Miller, Chairman, Ice Cream and Cake Booth. Everyone cordially invited.

A Tribute to the Red Cross.

Following is an extract from a letter just received from Elmer Young, wounded at Cambrai and now in United States Base Hospital No. 37, Dartford, Kent. The letter is written on American Red Cross stationery, and is from Dartford, and is dated October 16th:

"They are raising money here for the Red Cross. That is one organization that I shall, if God permits, contribute to the rest of my life. You have no idea what they do for us boys. When I was wounded I lost everything. Since I have been here, through the Red Cross, I have gotten every single thing I could possibly use, even such things as a pipe, cigarettes, candy, money belt, besides the necessary things such as toilet articles. I can not begin to tell you the great number of things the Red Cross has done for me, it would take too long, but I certainly am grateful to them."