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HOME OF DR. JOHN F. HILL.

The house pictured above, situated on Puritan Avenue, near Greenway South, is the inviting residence of Dr. John F. Hill. The brickwork is through texture, in full range colors of reds and purples, laid up in Flemish Bond with wide joints. A pleasing feature is the enclosed living porch with its arched trellis and tastefully filled flower boxes.

The house was designed and erected by the Sage Foundation Homes Company.

## THOMS AND YOUNG WOUNDED.

Corporal Bentley Thoms and Elmer Young of Company E 107th Infantry, have both been wounded slightly in recent actions. Fighting in the 27th Division under General Haig at Le Cateau, Young was hit by bursting shrapnel on September 28th, and Thoms on September 30th. Stanley Hillman, who was in action with them, was not wounded. Both Young and Thoms are now recuperating at Hospital No. 5, Portsmouth, England.

## RECRUITS WANTED.

The National Woman's Army is making a drive for new members to take the place of those who have volunteered for over-seas duty. There are three branches of the service—cavalry, infantry and motor. Instruction in the motor service is free to members. This service should appeal to those who can devote a few hours weekly to ambulance driving and first aid. For further information address Mrs. M. B. Claussen, 35 Slocum Crescent. 'Phone 6513 Forest Hills.

## UNITED WAR WORKERS CAMPAIGN.

Organized at the request of President Wilson, this campaign to raise \$170,500,000, is scheduled for the week of November 11th to 18th, 1918. Forest Hills, known as District No. 14, has been allotted its quota and it is expected the community will maintain its reputation of generously meeting each war issue as it is presented to them, by a ready response. John M. Demarest and V. E. Engelbach have been appointed Co-Chairmen for this District.

A committee is being organized, the first meeting of which will be held in the drawing room of the Inn on Monday evening, November 4th, at 8:15 o'clock. At this meeting Mr. Richard S. Newcombe, who is Chairman for the Borough of Queens will preside. He will bring with him some interesting speakers and besides the committee, who are expected to attend this meeting, the residents of the community are cordially invited to be present. The money when raised is to be distributed as follows:

Young Men's Christian Association .....	\$100,000,000
Young Women's Christian Association.....	15,000,000
National Catholic War Council (K. of C.).....	30,000,000
Jewish Welfare Board .....	3,500,000
War Camp Community Service .....	15,000,000
American Library Association .....	3,500,000
Salvation Army .....	3,500,000
	\$170,500,000

## WOMEN'S CLUB OPENS.

The first regular business meeting of the season will be held at the Red Cross House, No. 20 Gown Street, on Monday, November 4th, at 2:30 P. M.

Miss Gracia Goller of New York City, will speak on the duties, requirements and procedure of the new voter on Election Day, at 3:30 P. M.

## PUBLIC LIBRARY

The branch of the Public Library, which has been located at the Inn for a long time has been removed to a room at the Sales Office of the Homes Company, where it will be open on Mondays and Fridays as usual.

At a meeting of the Community Council a committee (consisting of Mrs. Albert Morton Gray and Mr. John M. Demarest) was appointed to organize and carry on the Library room and its interests.

## COMMISSION FOR W. P. BOYD.

William P. Boyd, of 7 Greenway Terrace, has received a commission as Second Lieutenant, air service, aeronautics.

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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.

## FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

"Nothing succeeds like success" and Forest Hills again has cause to congratulate itself on the way it went "over the top" in the Fourth Liberty Loan drive. The quota of \$141,520.00, when first announced, appeared to the committee to be exceedingly large, but the way that the committee went about its work, it is not surprising that the drive closed with a total of \$472,500.00, or more than three times the quota. Every man, woman and child on that committee deserves a special vote of thanks and every resident of the community is entitled to the gratitude of the Committee. The collections, with 1375 subscribers, were received through the following committees:

Men's Committee .....	\$362,650.00
Women's Committee .....	29,950.00
Public School Children .....	31,150.00
Boy Scouts .....	35,350.00
Girl Scouts .....	7,750.00
Christian Science Society .....	3,550.00
Postmen .....	700.00
Police .....	1,400.00
	\$472,500.00

Not included in the above total there was subscribed at the Inn on Saturday evening, October 19th, through the police, \$11,500.00.

Bonds amounting to \$125,000.00 have been subscribed for through the Forest Hills Liberty Loan Committee, to be bought, paid for and delivered through the office of the Sage Foundation Homes Company. These bonds are on hand and ready for delivery as soon as payments are completed.

On the Third Loan bonds amounting to \$240,000. of the \$392,000 subscribed, were purchased through the office of the Homes Company, most of which have been delivered.

## CHECKERS AND CHESS.

The Forest Hills Checkers and Chess Club is meeting regularly at the Sales Office, Tuesday evenings at 8 P. M.

## MRS. DAVID A. FRANK.

Word has been received from Dallas, Texas, of the death there of Mrs. David A. Frank, formerly of 19 Greenway Terrace.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS.

The sudden death of Mrs. Charles Shaw on Tuesday morning last, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Paton in Meteor Street, has stricken the school with grief. After an illness of less than a week, Mrs. Shaw succumbed to pneumonia.

Beloved of scholars and teachers, leader of Troop Two of the Girl Scouts, a member of the choir of the Church of Forest Hills, Mrs. Shaw's influence in the community was wide and her loss is deeply felt.

Public School No. 3 is the winner of one of the Jacob Wertheim prizes of one hundred dollars for the highest amount per capita of Thrift and War Saving Stamps sold during the period between January 1st and May 31st. The amount per capita is \$44.16 The school ranks highest in the Borough of Queens and second in the City.

Thirteen pupils of the school are entitled to diplomas awarded to children of the Public Schools who sold five bonds during the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign. Each pupil is rated as an ace:

Sam Serena, William Yepsen, Affa Gray, Ellen Yepsen, Charles Caldwell, Curtis Kloetzer, Grace Clinchy, Rose Serena, Alfred Van Wagenen, William Gretsche, Collier Elliott, Alden Campbell, Barbara Spence.

The school is fortunate in the appointment of two new teachers, both residents of the Gardens. Miss Beatrice Wilson of Puritan Avenue is to take the place left by Miss Brewer in charge of the kindergarten, and Miss Ethel Price of Greenway South, is to teach the children of the first regular year.

Heating equipment for both buildings has been promised for completion this week, so that November will begin with full preparation made for the colder weather.

## GIRL SCOUT NEWS.

The Girl Scouts of Forest Hills succeeded in securing over \$7,000 in subscriptions to the Fourth Liberty Loan in the last week of the drive. Most of these were secured at their booth at the station. This the girls planned and decorated themselves.

Troop 1 will hold a celebration this Saturday evening, November 2, at the home of Scout Roeschlaub. One of the features of the refreshments will be sugarless sweets.

The death of Mrs. Charles Shaw, the leader of Troop 2, is the cause of sincere grief among the scouts of both troops.

## THE MOTHERS' CLUB

At the election of officers just held, Mrs. E. H. Mays was elected President; Mrs. Percival Haas, Vice President; Mrs. H. P. Daniels, Secretary, and Mrs. J. E. Kline of 174 Meteor Street, Treasurer. This last mentioned address is important, as members are invited to remit their annual dues of one dollar to the treasurer promptly.

An important present interest of the Mothers' Club is the raising of one hundred dollars as a fund to be used by Miss Brewer in her work in France. There is a double opportunity here. Contributors will, by their money, both express appreciation of Miss Brewer's services here and help her to better afford relief to suffering refugees abroad.

The next meeting of the club will be held on Monday, November 18th, when a tea and social will be given in honor of Miss Price and Miss Wilson, new teachers in the Public School. In addition to regular members, prospective members are urged to attend.

## PLAYGROUND NOTES.

The Forest Hills Basket Ball team of the Playground, played a hard fast game in Brooklyn on Wednesday evening, October 30th. With August Bastien as center, and Wallace Drummond and Louis Schramm playing forward, and guarding by Harold Burdick and Lockwood Conklin, the team played well, but was defeated by a score of 26 to 12.

Captain Drummond has also arranged for a game to be played at the playground on Tuesday, (Election Day) November 5th. Stop and see the game at 3:30 P. M.

The Girl Scouts of Troop 2 have organized a team of basket ball and practice every Monday. They will be ready to challenge any girls in Forest Hills very soon.

## SWIMMING CLASS.

Swimming class on Saturday mornings (after December first) will be formed for girls desiring such. Miss Fox will take girls caring to go to a Y. W. C. A. pool in New York each week.

Please enlist at the Play ground before November 5th.

## BOY SCOUTS.

Troop Two distinguished itself with a high record of subscriptions obtained for the Fourth Liberty Loan that placed it second in the entire City on a per capita basis.

On Saturday last Troops One and Two in full force attended the Aviation Meet at Belmont Park, where they aided the good cause by selling programs between thrills.

## THE INN.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Massey and Master Robert, Jr., are spending a few weeks at Lake Mohonk, but expect to return to their new apartment within the next few days.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Seymour Willard, of Fishers Island, N. Y., have returned to the Inn after an absence of two seasons. Mr. and Mrs. Willard anticipate remaining until the reopening of their home in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. S. Perch, of Philadelphia, are among the latest arrivals at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Riesgo have just arrived from their home in Buenos Aires, and will spend the winter in the States, making their headquarters at the Inn.

Mr. E. P. Winston, of Chicago, spent the last week-end with his brother, Mr. C. S. Winston, of the Inn. Mrs. Winston is still in the west, visiting her family, but will return within a short time.

Captain Ray Bell and Lieutenant Maynard Craig, of Camp Dix, spent last week-end as guests of the Inn. Captain Bell has recently received his promotion, and is now on the Adjutant's Staff at Camp Dix.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Brion have returned from their short stay in New York and within the next few days will remove into their apartment in the new annex.

Miss Martha Williams and Miss Sally Pierce have returned from a delightful motor trip in the Berkshires. They were guests of Mrs. W. M. Shaw, of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hopping and Halsted L. Hopping, of New York City, are recent arrivals and will remain for a period of several weeks. Miss Florence Littlefield is also a new guest of the Inn.

Mr. G. de Geoffroy recently returned from a western trip and now anticipates spending the winter at the Inn.

The new addition to the Inn, comprising about fifty rooms, reconstructed from the building formerly used for housekeeping apartments, is nearing completion, and several guests are already in their suites. The finishing touches, including the connecting bridge and the addition to the diningroom, are under way. It is anticipated the entire work will be completed by the first of the year. The rooms in this new addition are comfortably large, modern in equipment, and tastefully furnished and decorated.

## AERIAL VISITORS.

Several recent visitors to the Gardens have come via the air-route to pay party calls to hosts who have entertained them. It is a pleasing custom and thus far no chimneys have been nicked by the low-flying airmen.

**Coming Events.**

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

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays—School War Garden Work. P. S. 101, from 9 to 11 A. M.; P. S. No. 3 from 11 A. M. to 1 P. M. For all school children.

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 4th, at 2:30 P. M., at the Red Cross House, 20 Gown Street.—Meeting of the Women's Club. Miss Goller to speak at 3:30 P. M.

Monday, November 4th, at 8:15 P. M., at the Inn.—Organization meeting for United War Workers' Campaign.

Tuesday, November 5th.—Election Day. Polls open from 6 A. M. to 6 P. M.

Tuesday, November 5th, at 3:30 P. M., at the Playground.—"Election Day" Basketball Game. All invited.

Monday November 18th.—Social and Tea to be given by The Mothers' Club.

**Letter From Lieutenant Wessmann.**

The following is an extract from Robert H. Wessmann's letter of September 17th:

"It has been some time since I have had the time to write you a letter, but am sitting down now, although I really don't have the right to, to let you know that I am sure running in third speed and running hard. Wish you could see the work that I have been doing. Talk about being in the Ordnance Department and being safely behind the lines, well let me tell you that those in my kind of work are certainly doing their bit. To give you an idea, we are actually flying over the lines, doing observation work, and if you would ask anyone where they are usually situated, one who knows something about it, he will tell you that it is not very far behind the lines, for you have constant liason with the front lines and units in our sector.

"So our Squadron is going to it, and though the men have never flown over the lines before, in a recent little excitement that was pulled off in this section of the country they did so well that the Major commanding the group said that they had done much better than he had expected, which, coming from such a person, means something. We lost some, but as the French say, 'C'est la Guerre.'

"My work is pretty steep, I guess for the reason that I take it pretty seriously. Kind of think that their lives may depend on my guns sometime and every time a plane goes up I always like to be on hand to see that everything is all right. This has meant that every day since last Wednesday I have gotten up at 4 o'clock and have not gotten to bed before 11.

"I sure would be out of luck if I did not like the work, but I certainly do like it. It is about the most interesting stuff I have ever taken up, and with my little group of sixteen men, all of whom I am trying to get to take the same interest in the guns, I think that I am getting away with it.

"I have just been assigned a motorcycle side car, which I am making lots of use of, and which is certainly coming in mighty handy to me. I am acting most of the time as my own chauffeur and find my experience with the Mercer comes in mighty handy. However, if you saw me trying to start the balky motorcycle at 4 in the morning, you would sure remember some of your own experiences in starting the Mercer at the garage on a cold morning.

"But believe me, after the training I am getting I feel that I will be able to do anything in that line, for I am surely getting rather a first-hand technical training in certain lines."

**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 Meteor Street.

Christian Science Society of Forest Hills. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. Sunday School 9:45 A. M. 173 Continental Avenue.

**Church-In-the-Gardens.**

The series of Sunday evening lessons on "Religious Education" to be given in the Church-in-the-Gardens by Mrs. Lucy Allen Smart will begin to-morrow night at 8 o'clock. All persons interested in this important matter, whether members of this congregation or not, are invited.

The thank-offering sociable under the auspices of the Women's Guild on Thursday evening of last week was a very pleasant affair, notwithstanding the fact that it had been postponed from the previous week on account of Dr. Sherwood Eddy's lecture and that some were kept away by the prevalent sickness. Mrs. Dana Eddy gave a very interesting account of her recent trip to China and Japan. Patriotic songs were sung, refreshments served, and some of our new families welcomed.

Having voted to hold their meetings this year in the homes of the members, the Women's Guild will meet on Friday afternoon, November 8th, at the home of Mrs. George Smart, 45 Deepdene Road. Dr. William S. Beard, associated with Dr. Burton in the Home Missionary Society, will speak on "Patriotism and Missions."

Mr. Howard Duff, formerly of Wendover Road, tidings of whose death came as a shock to his friends in Forest Hills, was a member and while living here an officer of the Church-in-the-Gardens.

**Clarence O. Collins.**

A letter has been received by the family of Clarence O. Collins, of Roman Avenue, from the Chaplain of his company, advising them of his death in a field hospital back of the battle line in France. Announcement had been received from Washington that he had been seriously wounded on August 12th, but the letter from his Chaplain was the first message received that he had died the next day after he received his wound.

In a letter to his mother, dated June 20th, written in England, he said: "Everything is strange over here, but we haven't had much time to see the country. We are kept busy training on the big French guns. You need not worry about me, mother, I'm as strong as an ox and this thing will soon be over and I'll be back in the 'States' to stay."

He had enlisted almost immediately after the declaration of war, going to Fort Slocum on April 24th, 1917, in the Nineteenth Cavalry, U. S. R. Shortly after his company moved to Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., where he was transferred to the Seventy-Seventh Field Artillery, Battery D. After training there for several months his company was again moved, this time to Camp Greene, S. C. Then in May, 1918, they were moved to Camp Merritt, N. J., en route to France.

**Food Restriction.**

Orders have been issued that no further sugar allowance may be made for preserving purposes. In view of the shortage it has been ruled that the canning season is over.