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MISS BREWER'S WORK

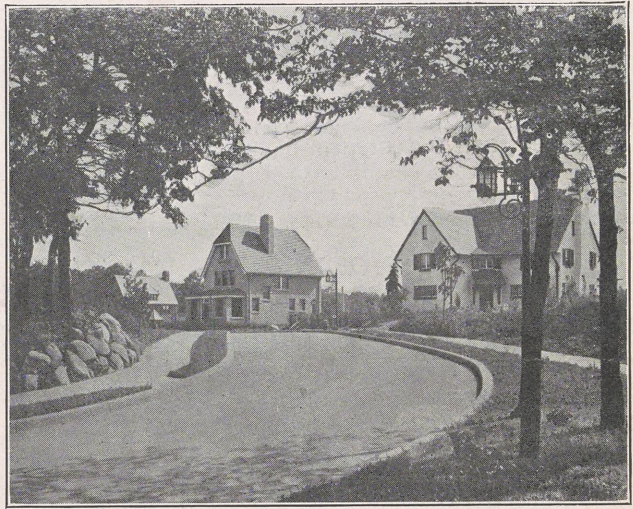
American Friends Service Committee Helping to Rebuild France

Interesting Letters from Forest Hills Gardens Resident --Work with Children the Most Important

The American Friends Service Committee has done heroic reconstruction work in France and it has all been done unostentatiously and quietly. Miss Mabel E. Brewer, of Forest Hills Gardens, former kindergarten teacher in the Public School here, went overseas last year under the auspices of that committee and will not return for many months. From last December until July, Miss Brewer was engaged in general reconstruction work and this gave her an opportunity to see most of the devastated parts of the country. In July she was sent to Chalons to establish a sort of Montessori school in connection with the day nursery. Extracts from some of Miss Brewer's letters will undoubtedly interest her friends here. She writes:

"Chalons is very little destroyed; it has been a great military center and during the war had fourteen hospitals. My work at present is with the children at the Creche, or day nursery, where they send feeble babies from the Assistance Publique in addition to the children of sick mothers at our maternity hospital. Most of the children have been abandoned and two dear little boys, one defective, were born and abandoned in cellars at Reims during the bombardment. These babies have had the best of physical care from the workers here, but of course until now there has been no time for school work of any kind and no amusements whatsoever. The Montessori methods and materials have done wonders for them. They now have rope and chair swings, seesaws and other out of door apparatus, also small chairs and tables, made by the blind and wounded soldiers in Paris."

Again she writes: "I long to write letters to the Forest Hills mothers and all who so generously contributed to my equipment and for special relief work and I would love to share with them all that this work means to me. The little ones at the Nazarite home for tubercular children, erected by our mission boys (Friends) were made very happy with dolls and toys and the babies at the Briseau hospital were delighted to have something to play with. And these dolls and toys came from the generous Forest Hills women. We tied pretty colored balloons to the cribs of those too sick to be moved and the boys made a shelter out of doors, where those able to be moved could play.



TWO HOUSES ON WENDOVER ROAD

The two houses pictured above are of stucco, and although differing in design and plan, form a pleasing setting to the arch in the foreground formed by the overhanging trees. The home of W. B. Davis is on the right and in the center is C. E. Kloetzer's home.

Mr. Davis' home consists of an ell shaped plan with the entrance at the angle and is of rough hand trowelled stucco, with dark woodwork, with the porch in the rear overlooking one of the most pleasing views in the Gardens. The porch of Mr. Kloetzer's home is on the front and extends the full width of the house, with the entrance through its center; the design is interesting and is dependent upon simple lines and proportion; the stucco work is of warm tile aggregate on hollow tile blocks.

"On our way back from taking one little defective boy to a family who will adopt and care for him, we had an opportunity of visiting Nancy, Metz, Lepine, Strasbourg, Verdun and Reims. The trip from Metz to Verdun was most harrowing all along the battle line. The hills and forts around here are tragic beyond description. There are wonderful cathedrals in all of these towns but none to compare with the cathedral of Reims. That stands as a marvel to mankind. We had heard that not much of it was destroyed, but were surprised to find it even less damaged than we expected. It is being rebuilt by German prisoners! The places in the town that are completely destroyed fail to give the horrible impression of those partly standing. For example, the front of a cathedral with beautiful Renaissance window frames and nothing more. To look at it made me feel as I did with my dolls when their eyes fell out."

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MOTHER.

*Who's dearer to me than any friend;
Who's loved and taught me in the years gone by?
'Tis Mother, the loveliest gift the gods could send,
The Mother whom I've caused to grieve and sigh.
She helped me with the problems of childhood days,
And now she cheers me on through harder tasks.
Oh, Mother mine, forgive my pettish ways;
Your loving hand has shown me them at last,
And now I know the sacrifice you've made,
So teach me truth and love, and faith in God.
Oh, Mother mine, you could not be repaid;
You ask it not, which makes it doubly hard.
I worship you, Oh, sweetest Mother mine,
As sent by God to me with love divine.*

ESTELLE LOUISE BRION

October, 1918.

THE DEATH OF TWO RESIDENTS

Mrs. A. E. Brion

The sudden death of Mrs. A. E. Brion, on September 26, was a great shock to her many friends in the Inn and in the Gardens. She and Mr. Brion have been prominent among the guests of the Inn for the past two years, and no social function was complete unless graced by her charming presence.

Mrs. Brion was Miss Karolina Becker, of Brooklyn, before her marriage to Mr. Brion, twenty-eight years ago. She was an exceptionally talented musician and a splendid sportswoman, and had enjoyed the most excellent health prior to about one week before her death.

She is survived by her husband, her daughter, Miss Estelle Louise, and son, Lester E. The funeral services were held in St. Luke's Chapel, Forest Hills, the Rev. Rowland S. Nichols officiating, and the interment was at Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Lodicy M. Foster

Very suddenly on September 23, at the home of her son, Mr. Luther I. Foster, 112 Ascan Avenue, Mrs. Lodicy M. Foster died. Mrs. Foster usually spent the summers with her son and family here and enjoyed the winters at DeLeon Springs, Florida. She seemed in particularly good health and expected to go south very soon. She had many friends here as well as other places where she visited because of a winning sweet nature. The burial took place at Dexter, New York, the old family home.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' MEMORIAL

A. A. Weinman's final design for the soldiers' and sailors' memorial tablet to be erected on Flag Pole Green, was officially accepted by the Soldiers' Welcome Home Committee at a special meeting on Monday night of this week. A beautiful shadow-box model in full colors and in its correct setting is now on display on the station platform. The shaft will be of Tennessee marble, nine feet high, and the green-gold bronze tablet in the soft pinkish setting will give a wonderful effect.

The original plans of the committee contemplated placing the tablet on some existing structure, such as the station arch opposite the fountain in Station Square. The community vote, however, guided the committee in the selection of the site on Flag Pole Green. This involved an additional expense of about \$2,200 for the marble shaft.

It is necessary, therefore, to secure about \$1,200 more than the amount already in the treasurer's hands. This will give many who were away or were unable to contribute when the canvass was made in April an opportunity to have a share in the erection of this beautiful and permanent memorial to the loyalty and service of our own boys.

FIRST MEETING OF WOMEN'S CLUB

The sixth anniversary organization day of the Women's Club of Forest Hills will be celebrated Monday afternoon, October 6, at two o'clock, at Forest Hills Inn. The program is a varied and interesting one. Judge Charles F. Moore, of Greenway Terrace, will make a short address; H. B. Kaltenborn, assistant managing editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, will speak on current events; Mrs. Anna C. Boyd of Greenway Terrace, will give dramatic readings and Mrs. Edwin Bird Wilson will sing.

The philanthropic work chapter will have the first meeting of the fall at the home of the chairman, Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, 68 Greenway North, on Monday afternoon, 2:30 o'clock October 13.

The current readings chapter will meet at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday, October 14, at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Lee Galloway 250 Greenway South. Mrs. Thurlow M. Gordon will lead the discussion on Kipling's book, "The Years Between".

A new chapter, to be known as the music chapter, will be organized at 2:30 o'clock, Wednesday afternoon, October 15, at the home of the chairman, Mrs. Edwin Bird Wilson, 134 Puritan Avenue.

MOTHER'S CLUB

The first Mothers' Club meeting of the season will be held at the P. S. 101 on Russell Place and Ascan Avenue, on Monday afternoon, October 20 at 3 P. M. The election of a president, to take the place of Mrs. Edward H. Mays, will be in order. Plans for the winter will be discussed so that it is hoped that every mother and friend of the children will attend this first meeting.

THE GARDENS PLAYERS

The Gardens Players of Forest Hills have outlined a program for their fourth season that is more ambitious than anything they have so far attempted.

Three subscription performances will be given, of which the first, scheduled for November 11, is already in rehearsal. For this bill four short plays have been selected, three of which have never been produced on any stage before, and two of which are the works of members of the Players whose names for the moment must remain anonymous.

Anyone interested in the Community Theatre idea and desiring to assist the activity by joining the Players will please communicate with the Secretary, Miss Maude Marren, 51 Burns Street.

FAIR PRICE COMMITTEE

The Fair Price Committee urges that every housewife keep in touch with the "FAIR PRICE" maximum issued in the morning papers on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The foregoing prices are maximum but any dealer may sell for less. The prices are based upon the "cash and carry" system.

Personal visits to the stores, rather than ordering by telephone, are urged upon the food buyers of this village.
Beatrice Fox, Chairman.

FOREST HILLS GARDENS MEN AT PLAY

YOO HOO! SKIN-NAY!

C'MON OVER TO THE
MEN'S CLUB CAMPFIRE
SATURDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 4, AT 8 P. M.
In the Woods at the Head of Beechknoll Road.
Fire-side Sports, EATS (?), Games, Stunts and an
Old-Time Get-Together.

Members are urged to bring their friends.

"Make me a boy again, just for the night." (We don't know what that's a quotation from, but it covers the case.)

Entertainment Committee,
EDWARD H. MAYS, Chairman.

P. S.—In case of rain come to the sales office.

TENNIS MATCHES

Intensely interesting tennis matches begun on the Inn courts Saturday, September 20, and completed September 28, resulted in the victory of John Winkler among the Class A players and J. N. Rawleigh among the Class B players. The prize for each winner was a silver cup of beautiful design.

BOY SCOUTS

Immediately following E. W. Mecabe's decision to act as scoutmaster, complications arose in his business necessitating his assuming double responsibility. After talking the matter over thoroughly with the scout committee, it was agreed that in view of the limitations on Mr. Mecabe's time, it would be unwise for him to attempt the scout work.

Harvey Warren has very kindly consented to fill the gap, and Dr. Saybolt has volunteered to assist on the scout committee. Rowland H. Smith has also consented to serve on the scout committee.

The boys will be amply rewarded for their long wait for a leader. There is probably not another man in the community better qualified to serve them as scoutmaster than Mr. Warren.

The Scout Committee.

GIRL SCOUTS

At the present time there is no troop of girl scouts in active work, here in Forest Hills. The situation of having no scout captain for either troop is the one which presents itself. Miss Beatrice Fox, urges all girls from the ages of 10 to 15 to report to her on the playground, on Tuesday, October 7. At the present time Miss Fox is training a class of seven High School girls who are interested in scout work and who will be able to become captains or lieutenants by Thanksgiving.

PERSONALS

Miss Eva W. Cummins, of Herndon, Virginia, is visiting Mrs. S. Pakenham, of Austin Street.

Dr. J. A. Corscaden and family, of Underwood Road, are home from a prolonged vacation spent at their cottage on Lake George.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore W. Hager, of 85 Puritan Avenue, announce the birth of a son, Richard Maher Hager, on September 24.

Miss Glenn Benham and Mr. Clyde Benham, of Orchard Gardens, near Minneapolis, will make their home this winter with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Kaighn, of Seasongood Road, and they are attending High School at Richmond Hill.

Mr. T. L. Atkinson and family of Markwood Road, have returned to their home after a summer spent at Long Beach.

Mr. J. F. McTyier and family, of Summer Street, have returned after an absence of two months spent at Lake George. Mrs. McTyier's niece, Miss Etta Wylie Carithers, of Fort Valley, Georgia, will remain with them throughout the winter.

PLAYGROUND NOTES

The attendance on the playground since the opening of school has been much larger than in the spring time. The playground will be open until Thanksgiving and with this good fall weather the soccer and basketball teams should be in excellent condition. Did you see the soldier parade on one bright afternoon of last week? All the little tots of the grounds had older girls and boys make them soldier caps and then the parade started! To the tune of "Yankee-Doodle", the grounds were well circled, and the three piece band was a success, played by Bobbie Leighton, Randolph Trabert and Victor Luneborg.

A checker tournament is to take place October 10, for which boys and girls should register their names with William Gretsck.

Saturday, October 4, an older group of boys will go to the beach for swimming and "Eats". With bacon, corn in the husk, and potatoes a good lunch is to be enjoyed.

Thursday, October 9 at four o'clock all the boys and girls interested in the woods will leave the playground for a short hike. They will learn how the butterflies and moths and caterpillars make their homes for the winter.

PUBLIC SCHOOL GARDEN

The children of the Public School raised the following amount of produce this year:

131 bunches of beets, 113 bunches of carrots, 370 bunches of radishes, 24 heads of cabbages, 134 heads of lettuce, 83 quarts of beans, 29 quarts of seed lettuce, 3 quarts of swisschard, 232 tomatoes, 59 kohlrabi, 15 cucumbers, 3 pumpkins.

Six captains' pins were awarded for good work.

The best gardens are those cared for by:

Ruth Haas, Dorothy Broadbent, Ellen Yepsen, Edward Lindahl, George Simons, Marguerite Murphy, Helen Serena, Gertrude Cantrell, Sherwood Barnes, Philip Attardo, Harold Wilson, Augusta Wiegman, Emilie Nuerge, Margery Mohan, Lloyd Du Brul, James Hagens, Howard Fiero, Calvert Cole, John Alden Campbell and Paul Hirshorn.

KEW-Forest SCHOOL

The Kew-Forest School entered upon its second year on Monday, September 15. The school's enrollment has passed the one hundred mark, and the Principals have been unable to accept for immediate admission all applicants in certain grades. Thus accommodations which, it was thought, would be ample for the first two or three years of the school's existence have already proved inadequate and immediate enlargement is necessary.

All of last year's teachers are retained and two additional instructors have been added to the regular teaching staff. Madame Alberta Carina, who last year assisted in training the pupils for the musical numbers on the closing day program, has been re-engaged and will not only have charge of the choral work, but will also teach the French of the lower grades.

THE FRENCH CIRCLE.

The French Circle, which had its first meeting on September 25 at the home of Mrs. R. Burns Mantle, has met with more than expected success. "Blanchette" a comedy by Eugene Brieux was read and the meeting was both delightful and instructive. On Thursday evening October 2 "La Griffe" a drama by Henri Bernstein was read and discussed and it is proposed to begin soon on a modern French novel.

Anyone interested in joining the Circle will please communicate with Mrs. Mantle, Ascan Avenue, at whose home the next meeting will be held on Thursday evening October 9.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF AUDUBON SOCIETY

Every member of the society, and that means every subscriber and everybody who wants to become a subscriber and does not know how, is invited to be present at an important meeting to be held October 7 at No. 9 Station Square at 8:15 P. M. It is hoped that the new people of the Gardens who are interested in the subject of bird protection, will make a special effort to be present and give the society the benefit of their experience and suggestions.

THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



Dr. Charles E. Burton, a resident of the Gardens, will preach at 11 o'clock tomorrow. It will be Communion Service and it is fitting that one of our own number should conduct the service, especially one of Dr. Burton's experience and outstanding pulpit ability.

On Sunday, October 12, the pulpit will be occupied by the Rev. Joseph C. Robbins, of Boston. Mr. Robbins is an unusually strong preacher and is a recognized leader among the younger men of the Baptist denomination.

The committee on the selection of a new pastor met on Sunday evening last at the home of Mr. Rowland Smith. Reports were received from two committees previously delegated to consider possible candidates. The chairman brought in quite a number of additional suggestions for consideration. There seems to be no dearth of material, but the selection of a suitable man for the community is not going to be an easy task. It will require time and patient work.

The Women's Guild

The Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens will hold a missionary thank offering meeting, Friday afternoon, at two o'clock, October 10, at the home of Mrs. A. J. Wilson, 80 Ascan Avenue. A most attractive program will be given. The assistant hostesses will be Mrs. C. T. Aldrich and Mrs. A. Van Houten.

ST. LUKE'S

Since the Vicar's return from his wonderful holiday on the Great Lakes and the Rivers St. Lawrence and Saguenay, the new year's work has opened with much promise. He has in mind also a plan for erecting the permanent church building, which war times compelled him to lay aside. St. Luke's has found its place in the community, which would be fortunate to have another place of worship in keeping with our beautiful homes and surroundings.

The Vicar records with great sadness the passing on of Mrs. A. E. Brion, whose service of burial was held at the Chapel Sunday afternoon, followed by the committal at Evergreen Cemetery. Connected with the "little gray church" through her son and family, she always showed interest in it and was to have assisted in the singing at last year's Christmas Eve midnight service. A woman of bright, happy, thoughtful disposition, she will be much missed by many outside the family circle. "Eternal rest grant her, O Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon her."

The Sunday School will reopen next Sunday in charge of Mr. Harold P. Kaulfuss, General Seminary '21. Hour 9:45 A. M.

Following are newly baptized members of the church: Robert Harriss Odell, on September 20; John Richard Knight, on September 21; and Helen Nancy Kershaw, on September 28.

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; 11 o'clock Service and Sermon, Greenway South, near Ascan Avenue.
- Church-in-the-Gardens—Sunday mornings, Sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday School for Juniors and Intermediates at 9:45 o'clock. Primary School at 11 o'clock.
- 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.

THE INN



Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Green, with their two sons and their daughter, have just returned to their apartment at the Inn after a two months' stay in the Adirondacks.

Mrs. James E. Pershing, of Chicago, recently joined her husband and son and it is hoped will enjoy her stay as a member of the Inn family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson, who have been living on Dartmouth Avenue, have given up their home and are now permanently located at the Inn. Their small son Wilbur is spending his first term in boarding school up New York State.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Grout and family have also given up their home in the Gardens and are now located at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Cutting of Oakland, Cal. came East to visit Mrs. Cutting's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hulbert, of Dartmouth Street and are making the Inn their present home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Jewett, who have been vacationing for the past few weeks are home again and welcomed by their many friends at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Watt and little Miss Elizabeth Watt have recently arrived at the Inn where they expect to remain during the coming winter.

Mrs. Harrison Clark and family have also recently returned to the Inn after a delightful summer in Maine.

Dr. and Mrs. Philip G. Cole of Brooklyn, who are building one of the finest homes in the Gardens, are spending the winter at the Inn and will remain until the completion of their house.

FAMOUS NURSE HERE

Miss Grace Ellison, foundress and directress of the French Flag Nursing Corps, is visiting at the home of Mrs. T. Commerford Martin, Greenway Terrace. She comes on a mission from the French Minister of War to study nursing conditions in this country. In Turkey, in 1912, she participated in the feminist movement, helping to secure the opening of the Constantinople College to women.

When the war broke out she organized the French Flag Nursing Corps, whose members cared for 5,000 soldiers daily. There is just one nurses' training school in France run on scientific lines, and this one is at Bordeaux. This hospital has an estate of sixteen acres, but it needs the financial support of America to endow it. Miss Ellison believes that the trained nurse is the most important factor in the social reconstruction of France and the best way that Americans can help is in the support of a nurses' training school. The best reconstruction agencies of America are co-operating with this English woman in her work for France, and the training school at Bordeaux.

COMING EVENTS

Announcements of Coming Events should be sent to the Community Secretary, at the Sales Office. 'Phone Forest Hills 6200.

Every Tuesday, 4 P. M.—Occupation class, playground.

Every Wednesday, 4 P. M.—Dancing for girls, playground.

Every Thursday at 8 P. M.—Meeting of French Circle, 114 Ascan Avenue.

Saturday, October 4, 8 P. M.—Meeting of Men's Club, in woods at the head of Beechknoll Road.

Monday, October 6, 2 P. M.—Meeting of Women's Club, Inn Parlors.

Tuesday, October 7, 8:15 P. M.—Meeting of Audubon Society, 9 Station Square.

Friday, October 10, 2 P. M.—Meeting of Women's Guild of Church-in-the-Gardens, 80 Ascan Avenue.

Monday, October 13, 2:30 P. M.—Meeting of Philanthropic Work Chapter of Women's Club, 68 Greenway North.

Tuesday, October 14, 2:30 P. M.—Meeting of Current Readings Chapter of Women's Club, 250 Greenway South.

Wednesday, October 15, 2:30 P. M.—Meeting of Music Chapter of Women's Club, 134 Puritan Avenue.

Friday, October 17, 8 P. M.—Meeting of Taxpayers' Association, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Monday, October 20, 3 P. M.—Meeting of Mothers' Club, Public School 101.