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## WORLD'S GREAT PROBLEMS

### Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip Addresses Men's Club of the Gardens

Seriousness of the Present Conditions Presented—  
Speaker Declares He is not  
Pessimistic

"The problem will be solved not by injunctions, not by laws, but in the hearts of employers and employees." The problem referred to was that of labor. The speaker was Frank A. Vanderlip and he was addressing a meeting of the Men's Club, Forest Hills Gardens, Thursday evening, November 6, at the home of the president of the club, Rowland H. Smith.

After a few introductory remarks by President Smith, he presented Mr. Lawrence H. Abbott, president of the *Outlook* Company, as chairman of the meeting, and Mr. Abbott, in his graceful manner, introduced Mr. Vanderlip. He was enthusiastically greeted by the large number of men present.

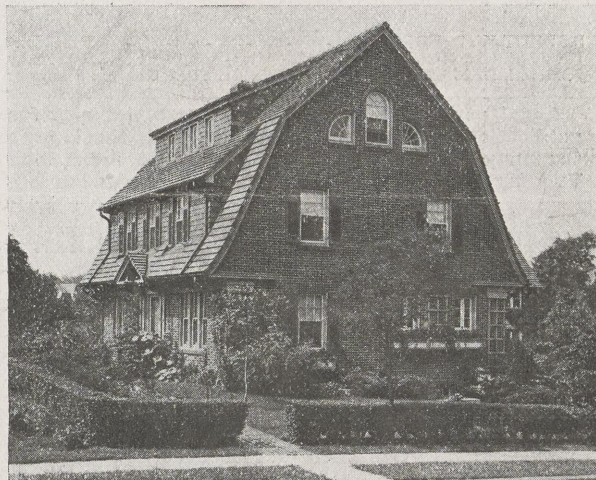
Mr. Vanderlip said that last Spring he returned from Europe and expressed the opinion that a serious situation, which might grow worse, existed in Europe. "I have not a word to take back as to the seriousness of the situation," said Mr. Vanderlip, "and conditions have in some respects grown worse." He added that those who believed that Europe would recover quickly from the effects of the great war had been disappointed. He then traced briefly the awful effects of the war in the leading countries of Europe, calling attention particularly to the fact that in France 50 per cent. of the men between 20 and 30 years of age were killed and a large part of the industrial region was devastated; that in England, while the loss of life and damage to industry was not so great, the economic efforts were almost as distressing as in France; that Italy is almost overwhelmed by debt and is in grave danger of a revolution, and that Germany is suffering severely. Mr. Vanderlip said that Belgium is perhaps in better condition than any of the other allied countries.

In conclusion, Mr. Vanderlip said that, in spite of the dark picture which he had painted, he was not pessimistic as to the future. He believed that the United States had before it greater opportunity than any country ever had in the history of the world. The power of manufacturing in mass production and its wonderful natural resources were referred to especially as advantages which will help it in doing its part in the reconstruction of the world.

The following gentlemen were elected into membership of the club:

Mr. James R. Garretson	Mr. Chas. F. Moore
Mr. Kenneth Judson	Mr. H. F. Pomeroy
Mr. George A. Douglass	Mr. S. S. Freeman
Dr. J. A. Corsecaden	Mr. Henry J. Skipp
Mr. J. F. McTyier	

A resolution indorsing the movement to obtain a new public school building in Forest Hills Gardens was adopted.



HOME OF GEORGE SMART

On Deepdene Road, near Olivia Park, is the home of George Smart. The house, adapted from the old "Dutch Colonial," with its gambrel roof is quaint and admirably adjusted to its use. The entrance is dignified and well proportioned. The exterior walls are of rough texture brick and the roof is covered with red and brown tiles.

The house was designed and erected by the Homes Company.

## Community Council

### Plan to Co-ordinate Organizations of Forest Hills—Meeting of Taxpayers' Association

At a recent meeting of the Community Council of Forest Hills, Mr. Ernest Leo, organizing secretary for Queens, made an earnest appeal to have the Community Council or the Taxpayers' Association become a part of the great organization of Community Councils of New York City. He presented a pamphlet containing a statement of the work and problems of the councils prepared for the conference held at the home of Mrs. Frank A. Vanderlip last July and pointed out that Forest Hills, by becoming a part of the splendid movement which originated during the war and resulted in highly important service being rendered, could promote its own interests while helping to solve the problems of not far distant neighbors in the borough. He spoke especially of the need for work among foreigners at our very door.

Following Mr. Leo's address, a committee was appointed to form a new plan of community organization in harmony with that of the Community Councils of New York City and this committee has had several meetings and agreed upon a plan which will be presented to the Taxpayers' Association, the Men's Club, the Women's Club, the Mothers' Club, the Audubon Society and perhaps other organizations for their consideration. It is understood that this plan affects the Taxpayers' Association in an important way and it is expected that keen interest will be manifested at the meeting of the Taxpayers, who, by the way, are not only those who pay taxes on real estate, but every citizen of the community—to be held at the Church-in-the-Gardens, Friday night, November 21, at eight o'clock. An able speaker representing the Community Councils of New York City will be present and address the meeting and there will be an opportunity for every one to express his views and vote on the proposed plan or some other plan to efficiently co-ordinate the numerous organizations of the village.



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### THE OBLIGATION OF CITIZENSHIP

IN a community like ours of well-to-do people, whose opportunities for education and culture have been manifold, it is reasonable to expect the rendering of great service for the common good. This service, philanthropic, charitable and the like, has been rendered to less fortunate people by our men and women individually in countless ways of which the public knows nothing. We have many citizens here whose charities have meant much to the city, state and nation. Our organizations, churches and clubs, have the forward, outward look, trying collectively to help the less fortunate who live near and far. We are determined that living in the Gardens shall give us open minds and kind hearts and that nothing of the smug complacency of the average well-to-do neighborhood shall be ours. All of this is commendable and the Editor of the *Bulletin* hopes that this spirit shall grow until it becomes all embracing and all absorbing. Then we shall truly live in a garden of usefulness and service.

We comfortable people, tempted sometimes into a feeling of self-sufficiency, are likely to forget the duties of citizenship in this the greatest democracy in the world, imperfect though it is. We pride ourselves on our "government of the people, by the people and for the people," and we forget that we are the people by whom the government must be maintained. We deplore the election of incompetent and corrupt officials, shaking our heads in disappointment and despair that such elections should take place and fail to see that we and our kind are responsible for such elections. Too many of the men of the class who would and could vote intelligently and independently in past years have been away from home on election day or for one excuse and another have not used the franchise. The well-to-do, protected woman will have the same temptation to take the newly acquired responsibilities of citizenship lightly. We must remember that our national, state and city governments will be just as good as and no better than the rank and file of the citizens make it. Being an integral part of the city of New York, as a small percentage of commuters is, because large numbers live in New Jersey and Connecticut and outside of the city, in New York State, our responsibility as citizens is very great and every man and woman in the Gardens ought to vote at every election.

The last meeting of the Taxpayers' Association, when an opportunity was given to our citizens to hear the candidates for office, both republican and democratic, plead their causes and cases and when Judge Davies explained the contemplated constitutional amendments, was well attended, but when one con-

siders the importance of such an occasion he realizes that "standing room only" should have been at a premium. The intelligent exercise of the franchise is a moral obligation of every man and woman in the Gardens.

### Censored Movies in Forest Hills Gardens

The Women's Guild of the Church-in-the-Gardens will conduct a very high grade moving-picture show in the social room of the church every Saturday afternoon during the winter beginning with next Saturday, November 22. This form of entertainment has come to stay and the Guild believes that it is the proper agency to conduct this kind of education and diversion for the children, young people and adults here. Every show will furnish amusement, entertainment and instruction of the highest order. A committee of the Guild is in charge of this important enterprise, with Mrs. B. A. Rolfe chairman. The proceeds will go to the work of the Guild and very largely to the church fund for a new parish house. The nominal charge for admission will mean that whole families will attend these performances and the audience will be limited to the capacity of the room.

### WOMEN'S CLUB MEETING

A large meeting of the Women's Club was held at the Inn on Monday afternoon, November 3, when 31 new members were welcomed. Miss Helen Varick Boswell, the speaker on current events, covered the news of the day in an able and comprehensive way. Mrs. C. H. Hasselriis was the soloist. The principal speaker, Mr. David C. Adie, was introduced by Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, chairman of the club's philanthropic activities and he spoke on the "Solution of the Labor Problems." He told of the many mistakes of the leaders on both sides of the question. He spoke of three so-called cures having been tried: (1) selling stock to employees, which is not a panacea; (2) shop committee, which is better than the first cure, but is not a permanent one; (3) Whitley plan of England, which is the best plan and it is being tried in the clothing trades. He said there must be more co-operation between capital and labor, leaders must be more adaptable and plans must be more flexible.

### Evening Entertainment

The entertainment given in the Church-in-the-Gardens, under the auspices of the Women's Club, as a part of a series, on the evening of November 12, was well attended. The artists, Mr. H. Lawrence Hunt, tenor, Miss Karla, violinist, and Miss Anna Welch, harpist, assisted by Miss Collins Buchanan and Miss Edna Rothwell, accompanists, delighted the large audience. Refreshments were served at the close of the entertainment in the social room, for the benefit of the philanthropic work of the club. The next entertainment will be given on December 12, the whole series being in the hands of the ways and means committee, Mrs. Charles H. Scammell, chairman.

### The Current Readings Chapter

At the home of Mrs. S. E. Davenport, 20 Groton Street, on the afternoon of November 25 at 2:30, the current readings chapter will meet and Mrs. H. P. Daniels will review the book, "Russia in Upheaval," by Ross.

### RECENT PURCHASES

The Sage Foundation Homes Company announces many sales of recent date. The new group on Park End Place is completed and new owners are occupying the houses as follows: O. W. Erwin, K. P. Collins, C. W. Carpenter, G. B. Wells, R. H. Coleman, Curtis Flory, Thomas F. Frawley, Thomas S. Redmayne and family have moved into their new home, 310 Burns Street.

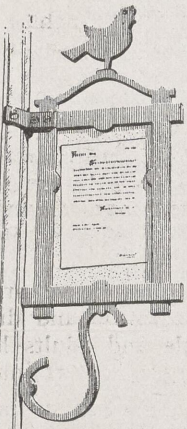
Thomas D. Cutler has recently moved into his new home, 137 Greenway South.

W. T. Anderson, 34 Greenway South, has sold his house to E. M. Skeeahan, of Ingram Street. Mr. Skeeahan will not move in until spring.

Harvey T. Warren, Greenway South, has sold his house to H. W. Hardinge, 410 Riverside Drive. Mr. Warren has purchased a house on Greenway North, near Puritan Ave



## Audubon Society Offers Attractive Prizes



In order to stimulate interest in the birds, which find homes in Forest Hills Gardens, and to encourage observation of their traits and habits, among the children and young people here, the Audubon Society, through its school and junior committee, invites all boys and girls between the ages of six and eighteen years to enter a contest, which starts with the publication of this *Bulletin* and closes on December 19.

The children between the ages of 6 and 11 are expected to write bird stories of 100 words which will describe something about the birds here, which has come under the personal observation of the boy or girl writing the story. For the best story submitted by children of this age a copy of "The Burgess Bird Book for Children" will be given as a prize. Dr. W. T. Halliday, the famous naturalist, says of this new book: "This book, with its 58 colored illustrations by Fuertes, is the best bird book for children I have ever seen."

A story of 200 words will be expected from the boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 14 years and it, too, must describe something which the boy or girl writing has observed in the Gardens. The prize for the best story in this group will be a copy of "Our Winter Birds," by Frank M. Chapman. This book, Dr. Chapman, the bird authority, has written to form an introduction to the study of birds.

The High School group, or the boys and girls, between the ages of 14 and 18 years, must write a story of 300 words, covering again some incident of bird life which has occurred in the Gardens. For the best story in this group, a copy of "The Travels of Birds," by Dr. Chapman will be coveted possession.

The judges in this contest, which ought to arouse the interest of the entire community, will be Miss Mary A. Fairchild, principal of public schools 3 and 101, Mr. G. S. Catlin, principal of the Kew Forest School and Mrs. George Smart, president of the Audubon Society. All stories should be addressed to the *Bulletin*, 9 Station Square, Forest Hills. The prize stories will be printed in the *Bulletin*.

## BOY SCOUTS

As nearly every one in town can testify, the Scouts have been busy taking subscriptions for the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call and have kept up the splendid record they made in the Liberty Loan drives.

David Millar and Leon Schoen were elected to the troop at the last meeting and will be enrolled as soon as they have passed the tenderfoot tests.

Signaling is the order of the day and all Scouts are now working on the semaphore system of sending messages. Later on the Morse code or Wig-wag will be taken up.

## PERSONALS

Miss Louise Lenz, who is a kindergartner of Los Angeles, California, visited the kindergarten in public school 101 on Friday. Miss Lenz is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Emma Van Loan, of Greenway Terrace.

Mrs. B. A. Rolfe, of Bow Street, has been visiting in Chicago and Detroit.

Mr. H. W. Hillman, of Markwood Road, has sold his house to Mr. W. R. Hulbert, and Mr. Hillman and family will live at the Inn this winter. I. M. Noble and family have rented the house from Mr. Hulbert.

Dr. F. Q. Blanchard, of Cleveland, who preached in the Church-in-the-Gardens on Sunday, November 9, was the guest of Mr. George Smart and family of Deepdene Road.

Mr. Lawrence F. Abbott and family, of Greenway South, have moved into their home for the winter.

Mr. Robert Fuller and family, of the Gardens Apartments, have moved back to their home in Bronxville. They spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. D. G. Clark, of Deepdene Road.

Lost—Bunch of black aigrettes, liberal reward. 'Phone 6271 Forest Hills.

## THE RECENT ELECTIONS

Forest Hills' citizens and citizenesses went early to the polls on election day, and although this was what is called by the politicians an "off year," it gave the voters an opportunity to practice voting for the very important national and state elections of 1920.

The election was of considerable local importance, as by the accession of Major La Guardia to the Presidency of the Board of Aldermen there will now be an active and watchful minority representation in the City's Board of Estimate. This State's Senate District, the 2nd, will be represented for the first time by a Republican Senator, Karie. This, the 6th Assembly District of Queens, has made a change and selected a Republican Assemblyman, Mr. Baum, at the same time retaining the services of the present Alderman, Mr. Schmitz, and re-electing Judge Cragen, both Democrats, to another ten years in our 2nd District Municipal Court.

Those who were fortunate enough to meet these gentlemen at the Taxpayers' Campaign meeting right before election, as well as all other residents, should make a note of the names of their representatives, so that, if occasion arises, communications respecting their official conduct may be sent to any of them.

The results in the Forest Hills polling place were: For President of the Board of Aldermen: Moran (Dem.), 62; La Guardia (Rep.), 247. For Justice of the Municipal Court: Cragen (Dem.), 80; Smith (Rep.), 231. For State Senator: Burns (Dem.), 75; Karie (Rep.), 238. For Assemblyman: Looke (Dem.), 98; Baum (Rep.), 210. For Alderman: Schmitz (Dem.), 51; McDavitt (Rep.), 252.

## YOUNG MEN'S CLUB

On the evening of November the eighth a group of young men gathered at the home of Mr. Charles Dowse for the purpose of organizing a club. The following officers were elected: President, Frank Millang, Jr., Vice-President, Robert Nachman; Secretary, Charles Dowse; Treasurer, Thomas Paton, Jr.; Sergeant-at-Arms, Edwin Dowse. This organization will be known as "The Harmony Club of Forest Hills," the object being to promote the formation of athletic teams and to encourage the development of musical ability. If further information is desired communicate with the President, Frank Millang, Jr., Forest Hills 6597.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Agnes A. Cording, formerly principal of public schools 3 and 101, Forest Hills, was appointed, on November 1, principal of public school 92, Queens, located at Corona, L. I. This is a school of 28 classes, extending from the kindergarten through the eighth year.

Miss Mary A. Fairchild came to public schools 3 and 101 on November 1, from public school 16, Queens, where she had been acting principal for four years. Public school 16 is a school of 35 classes, ranging from the kindergarten through the eighth year.

Miss Fairchild was formerly an instructor in a Teachers' Training School.

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS

The Mothers' Club will meet on Monday afternoon, November 17, at public school 3, at 3 o'clock, when Mrs. Albert Morton Gray will be the speaker on the ever delightful subject "Children's Books." Mrs. Gray knows books and she knows children, so this ought to be a profitable meeting for the mothers. Mrs. George A. Douglass, president of the club, urges all mothers to come with lists of books and with the books themselves which have proven a help and a delight in their own homes.

## PLAYGROUND NOTES

November 1 proved to be a very rainy day, so that at three o'clock in the afternoon the girls and boys who were invited to attend the Halloween party on the playground had to gather in the kindergarten-room. About sixty came in various charming costumes. Games and the usual Halloween "eats" were enjoyed.

The playground most any afternoon at four o'clock shows many groups of boys and girls at play. One is busy at basket-ball, another at soccer, hockey, baseball, tetherball, ring-games and sand-box. All boys and girls of Forest Hills are welcome on the playground.



## THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



Our former neighbor and church treasurer, Rev. William A. Rice, D.D., will be the speaker tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Dr. Rice comes to us with a special message and it is hoped that a large congregation will be present to welcome him.

The members and friends of St. Luke's Episcopal Church will join us in a special service in The Church-in-the-Gardens at 10:45 on the morning of Thanksgiving Day. Dr. Charles E. Burton and Vicar R. S. Nichols will conduct the service. A very hearty invitation is extended to all in the community who may wish to share in this public expression of Thanksgiving.

Following the recent announcement that the Trustees had arranged for the purchase of additional land on which to erect a parish house and parsonage, a most important meeting of the church membership was held last night at the church, when most interesting plans for the future were made. The next *Bulletin* will report this meeting in full. The committee on a new Pastor made a report.

## 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. Christian Endeavor Society—7:45 P. M. Cor. Ascan Avenue and Greenway North.

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.

## COMING EVENTS

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

Every Monday and Friday, from 3 to 5 P. M., the library is open in the Sales Office.

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

Every day except Sunday, the playground is open to all. Miss Fox in charge from 3 to 6 P. M.

Every Friday, 5 P. M.—Girl scouts, Public School 3.

Monday, November 17, 3 P. M.—Mothers' Club, Public School 3.

Friday, November 21, 8 P. M.—Taxpayers' Association, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Tuesday, November 25, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 20 Groton Street.

Friday, November 28, 8 P. M.—Music Chapter, Women's Club, 20 Continental Avenue.

## A UNIQUE BIRTHDAY PARTY

Ford Martin, of 23 Greenway Terrace, celebrated his eighth birthday on November 1, in an original way. Each of his 75 juvenile guests, instead of a birthday present, brought him a silver coin, toward buying a baby's "pen" for toddling French kiddies at the Florence Nightingale Hospital, Bordeaux. As a result, no less than three hundred francs have been sent to Dr. Anna Hamilton, director of the famous institution, where nurses are trained. The party was addressed by Miss Grace Ellison, of England, who is here promoting this work on behalf of the French Government. Mrs. Homer Croy ran some fine motion pictures, Miss Beatrice Petrie told the story of "Alice in Wonderland," and games were played, ice cream and cake topped off a gay afternoon in the house which was draped all over in Allied flags. It was "some afternoon," says Ford.

## THE INN



The Harvest Moon Dance given on Halloween was quite as big a success as the Barn Dance held two seasons ago, which has always remained fresh in the minds of the guests as one of the most enjoyable affairs held at the Inn. On this occasion the decorations were almost similar to the former one, with the addition of a big red moon and a quartet of colored boys (brought from the South for the affair?) as a setting at the back of the ballroom. Not a dull moment

was spent during the entire evening, some game or fun following each dance, with small prizes to the fortunate winners. Miss Laura Lee, who is conducting the dancing lessons and also acting as hostess at the Saturday night dances, was kind enough to favor us with an impromptu solo dance, which was extremely beautiful and much appreciated.

The next important event in the "life" of the Inn is a masked costume dance to be given on the eve of Thanksgiving, Wednesday, November 26th, for the benefit of the Big Sisters of Queensborough. This is an annual dance, which has always been most thoroughly enjoyed and proven a great help to the needy families who are assisted by this wonderful organization. We trust this dance will be even a greater success in every way than heretofore, and take occasion to mention that everyone who appears on the dancing floor must be in fancy costume of some sort, though no limitation is made as to variety. Tickets will be on sale at the Inn shortly after the fifteenth.

The last Sunday evening concert was a tremendous success, thanks to the courtesy of Mme. Alba Rosa Vietor, a splendid violinist of European renown, assisted by Mrs. W. Paulding De Nike at the piano, as well as our own very capable trio under the direction of Mr. W. Jospe. Several well-known musicians and soloists have promised to assist in making our weekly concert enjoyable this winter, and the guests of the Gardens are most cordially invited to attend.

Miss Lee has formed a most enjoyable dancing class for adults on each Monday evening from 8:30 to 9:30 o'clock, and many of the married folks who haven't learned the new steps and therefore have not participated in our Saturday dances, are becoming enthusiastic in their new "sport." Guests of the Gardens are invited to join and can secure particulars from Miss Lee on Saturday evening or attend the class now forming on Monday evening next. The children's dancing classes on Saturday afternoons are fast growing in numbers, and the little tots are most adorable dancing about on their toes trying to imitate little birds.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Pershing are spending a few weeks in Chicago but will return to the Inn before the holidays.

Mrs. S. B. Brownell and Miss M. A. Brownell have returned to the Inn this winter.

Mr. T. H. Spence, of Milwaukee, spent the week end as the guest of his mother, Mrs. T. H. Spence, who was one of our earliest "settlers" at the Inn.

Mr. F. R. Harty has just returned from a several weeks' trip through the South.

Mr. Gale Hunter and Mr. F. J. Nash have also recently returned. Mr. Hunter has been exploring and shooting in Alaska and the Northwest for the past several months.

Miss Doris Thomley, of the Inn, has been the guest of Miss Esther Smith, of Atlanta, Ga., for the past five weeks and is expected home the coming week.

Mrs. H. S. Grattan, of 15 Greenway Terrace, who has been critically ill with pneumonia for the past five weeks, is recovering, and her physician hopes to move her to Lakewood, N. J., shortly to recuperate.

## ALL SERVICE MEN—ATTENTION!

There will be a meeting of all men who were in the Service, for the purpose of organizing a local post of the American Legion, at the Sales Office at 8 P. M., Wednesday evening, November 19.



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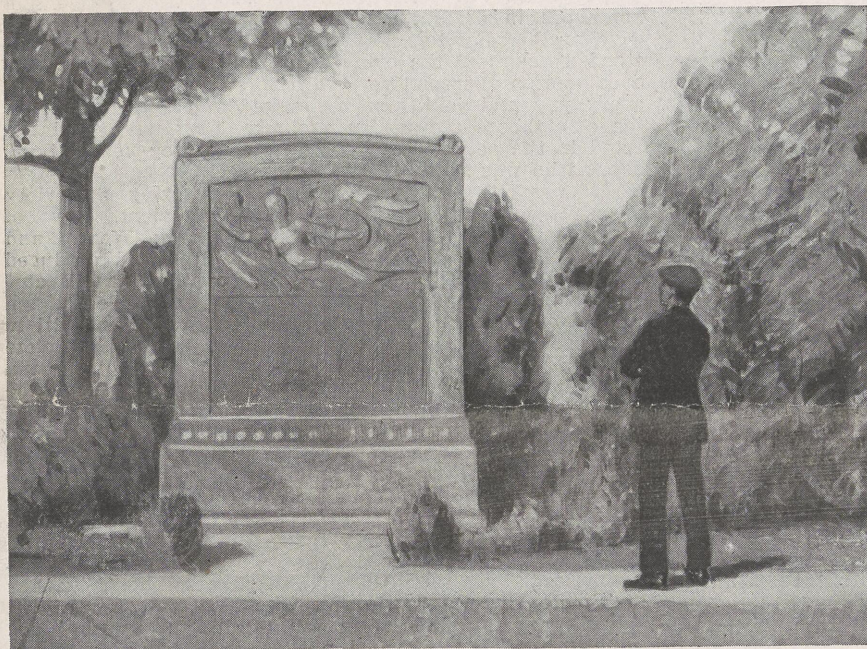
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## THE SOLDIERS' MEMORIAL

### Committee Tells About It—Plans Which Reflect Credit on Forest Hills

The committee in charge of the Soldiers' Memorial is appealing for additional contributions. Although the sculptor, our neighbor, A. A. Weinman, has made us a price which hardly more than covers the cost of the raw materials, the fund is not yet completed. Many of our citizens have given generously, but a substantial number are yet to be heard from, and to these the committee is appealing first.



IN HONOR OF OUR BOYS

There is no doubt that every one in Forest Hills will want to have a share in this memorial. When it stands on the Green in enduring granite and bronze, a proof of both our loyalty and our good taste, everyone will want to be able to say to himself, "I helped put it there." No one wants to feel like the "bird" whom our friend, Gene Car, has drawn. And if you fail to do your share, someone else will have to do it for you. Consequently, the committee feels that in hammering away until everyone in Forest Hills is represented on the list of contributors, it is really doing a favor to all concerned.

But the committee doesn't want to bar anyone from giving twice. Many of those who contributed last spring have already increased their subscriptions, and no doubt many more are willing to do so. When you were solicited at the beginning of this campaign, our plans were vague and no one knew how much was needed or what the community would get for its money. Consequently many gave less than is commensurate with their means, or with the requirements of the project. In many cases the solicitors asked only for small sums. Now

that you have seen the sculptor's model, and realize what a source of lasting pride and satisfaction this monument will be, do you not feel that you would like to have a larger share in it? The average contribution is well in excess of \$10, and the largest individual gift is \$150.

This is the first public monument or work of art to be acquired by Forest Hills, and we are setting a standard which few communities can equal and none can surpass. At a time when so many towns are making serious mistakes along this line, we are going to prove our good taste and discretion. Mr. Weinman is not only one of the three or four greatest sculptors in America, but he has a special genius for work in relief, and there is no doubt that his tablet will be a masterpiece.

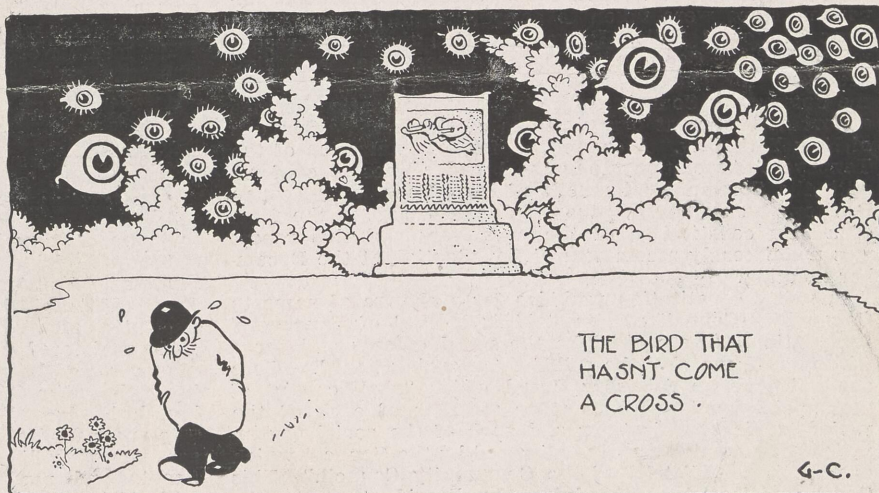
The price of \$3,680 is a mere fraction of what such a work would ordinarily cost. This is one time when you will get a tangible and permanent return for your money. It is not so much a gift as a "lasting investment, which will pay dividends of pride and satisfaction for generations to come."

Checks should be sent to F. C. Thompson, treasurer, Winter Street, Forest Hills.

WALTER D. TEAGUE,  
Chairman.

## The New Parish House

The Church-in-the-Gardens has for a long time felt the need of larger quarters for its work in religious education and recently that need has become almost acute. With this important and vital work in mind and with an earnest desire on the part of all members and supporters of the church to be of real service to the whole community, plans for expanding the usefulness of the church have been made. Three lots at the corner of Greenway North and Borace Place and five lots adjoining these on Borace Place, making a site about 100 by 200 feet, have been purchased on which there will be erected a parish or community house and parsonage. A generous friend of the church and community has volunteered to pay for the land if the members and friends of the church will raise an equal amount of money in the year 1920. Considerable money has already been pledged.





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### The Setting of the Monument

A VOTE of the entire community, taken last spring, decided upon the Flagpole Green as the most fitting site for the monument. The north as well as the south side gave a majority in favor of this spot. Its setting on the Green was tentatively decided by a committee which included, among others, A. A. Weinman, Frederick Law Olmstead, and John M. Demarest. Mr. Weinman was better qualified than anyone else to see that the monument itself was placed to the best advantage, and Mr. Olmstead, the supervising landscape architect of the Gardens and the acknowledged head of his profession in America, was best qualified to see that the monument fitted harmoniously into the general scheme. This committee spent an entire morning on the Green, with a frame representing the exact size and shape of the granite. It was tried in every possible position, and every consideration of light, background and approach was discussed. A plan was finally perfected which the committee agreed upon as the most satisfactory from every point of view, and the frame has been left in the agreed position. The plan, however, involves extensive changes in the walks and planting, and the placing of a seat opposite the monument to balance it, and only by taking these changes into consideration can the plan be fairly judged. It contemplates bringing the monument into unity with the flagpole and providing an approach which will add greatly to its dignity and impressiveness.

### Taxpayers' Progressive Stand

At the regular meeting of the Taxpayers' Association, Friday evening, Nov. 21, in the Church-in-the-Gardens, important steps were taken to co-ordinate all the organizations of Forest Hills. It was reported that at a recent meeting of the Community Council, Ernest Leo, organizing secretary for Queens, made an earnest appeal to have the Community Council and Taxpayers' Association become a part of the great organizations of Community Councils of New York City. A committee, for reorganization of the Taxpayers' Association along the broader lines to conform with the Community Councils of New York, with Lyman B. Stowe as chairman, gave a splendid report in the form of a new constitution of the Taxpayers and this report was unanimously recommended for adoption at the December meeting.

The new constitution provides for a change of name to Community Council of Forest Hills instead of Taxpayers' Association. There shall be the usual officers and these with two others, shall be called a Governing Board. There shall also be an Advisory Board which "shall consist of the official head and one other member of each of the various civic organizations and such of the social organizations or agencies as may be invited by the Council, which operate in the district of the Community Council." This Governing Board shall advise the President as to the

personnel of all necessary committees. Meetings are to be held the third Friday of every month.

Miss Clara Rowe, field secretary of Community Councils for New York, addressed the meeting on the general subject of Community Council work and gave advice and answered questions.

The new constitution will probably be adopted at the next meeting of the Taxpayers' Association on Dec. 19, then the organizations of the village will be co-ordinated better and the new Council will be a clearing house for the plans of the village life. An interesting program will be given at the Dec. meeting. Fred Neumer was elected treasurer to fill a vacancy.

### The Gardens Players

An enthusiastic audience, thoroughly appreciative of home talent; an excellent performance—four one-act plays; most acceptable stage settings designed by local people; and, finally, good acting by members of The Gardens Players, in a word describes the program given by the Players at the Kew Gardens Country Club, on Thursday evening, Nov. 13, 1919.

Everybody was there ready to encourage friends and neighbors in dramatic art. The auditorium was filled, window-sills served as seats for some and a goodly number stood, throughout the evening, in the corridor. The audience was so appreciative that it forgot to be polite—with every pun and joke people laughed and conversed with their neighbors during the program, they were so interested in the acting of the Players that they kept talking about who was who.

The program was well planned, satisfying a variety of tastes and displaying many kinds of talent. Two of the plays, farces, "Oh! Girl," by Harvey Warren and "Pants," by Walter Hartwig, were written and produced by members of the Players. "Oh! Girl" was well constructed, each line leading up to the next perfectly and every word serving a purpose. The end, when the girl in the case proved to be a coveted cook, was a complete surprise to the audience. The acting of the entire cast, particularly of Nancy Hanks as the girl, was clever in the real meaning of that much used word.

"Pants" was beautifully staged, design and construction being most creditable and that, too, showed the work of local talent. "Pants" has many bright lines in it and the acting of Nina Cutter and Harvey Warren and all the cast was very intelligent. The real estate man, the Chemist Shop, the cleaning establishment and other local enterprises, all came in for jokes.

"Trifles," by Susan Glaspell, has been shown on the legitimate stage and proved to be the best play of the evening, and in it the acting was decidedly the best. Each member of the cast stood out as a clear-cut character, but the work of Robert J. Cole as Lewis Hale and Sara Oyen as Mrs. Peters and Bertha Mandell as Mrs. Hale approached the work of professional players.

"The Enchanted Flower," which came first on the program, did not have a fair chance. The audience was just getting settled and refused at first to take the play seriously. It was an artistic, original thing and in it the acting was all good and the dancing of Laura Lee perfectly charming.

Every actor who appeared on the program is an amateur and a member of The Gardens Players. The *Bulletin* would like to mention each member and each officer by name, if space would permit, but it does take the opportunity to tell these neighbors and friends that the village is proud of this organization and the work of the members and wishes them a successful season—and many of them.

### Drive For Funds to Fight Tuberculosis

Between December 1 and December 10, there will be a nation-wide drive to raise funds to fight tuberculosis, conducted by the American Red Cross and the campaign in Forest Hills will be carried on by a number of teams, the chairman of which is Mrs. George Simons. There are 1,460 registered cases of tuberculosis in Queens and the money raised here will be used to fight the disease in our borough. One hundred stamps will be sold for \$1 and health bonds will be sold for any amount from \$5 up. The quota for Forest Hills is \$2,500, and it is expected that the village will go "over the top." Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and representatives of all organizations here will aid in this important drive.



## WOMEN'S CLUB

### The Entertainment Course Inaugurated in a Very Auspicious Manner

The excellent concert which the Women's Club gave as the first number in its entertainment course guarantees a series of very high grade performances. The second number will be a New York theater party on the evening of December 10. Every effort has been made to make this a great success, orchestra seats having been reserved. The party will leave Forest Hills on the 7:42 train and special cars have been reserved for the party. The members of the Club and their friends will see the play, "Nothing but Love" at the 44th Street Theater. There are a few tickets available for the remainder of the course at \$4.50, which includes the theater party on Dec. 10, lecture and musical, Jan. 14, card party Feb. 11, and the final entertainment on March 10.

It is important that each subscriber sign his coupon in his book of tickets and send with the December ticket and self-addressed envelope to Mrs. C. H. Scammell, 14 Greenway Terrace, chairman of the ways and means committee. Theater tickets will be sent to those who so address Mrs. Scammell. Guests tickets for theater party may be had for \$2 each, the regular price being \$2.75.

#### December Meetings

Hon. Newton W. Gilbert, formerly a member of Congress and Vice-Governor of the Philippines, will speak on "American Citizenship" at the meeting of the club on Monday, Dec. 1, at 2 o'clock, at the Inn. Mr. Gilbert is a man of broad experience and a brilliant speaker. Miss Helen V. Boswell will review current events and Mrs. Charles B. Nelcamp will speak on the "United States Flag."

On Dec. 9, Tuesday, at 2.30 P. M., the current readings chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. Preston Beazell, 255 Greenway South, when Mrs. A. M. Gray will review Hugh Walpole's "The Dark Forest" and "The Secret City."

### First of the Movies

A capacity house—124 men, women and children—attended the moving-picture entertainment in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens on the afternoon of November 22, under the auspices of the Women's Guild. Very comfortable chairs for little folks were placed in the front rows so that they could see and their legs would not grow tired. These same little folks chuckled, giggled and laughed over the pranks of Mutt and Jeff and then sat still in quiet admiration and enjoyment over the perfectly beautiful pictures of the Blue Bird. The grown-ups took the same keen pleasure in the entertainment as the children. Mr. Chester I. Barnard of Greenway North played the piano throughout the afternoon in a highly acceptable manner.

In the United States it is a conservative estimate that 5 000,000 people daily attend the movies and if Forest Hills people patronize this kind of entertainment in that same proportion to the population the decision to give two performances this Saturday afternoon, one at 1:30 and one at 3:30, is a wise move. Beside the comic reels another attractive picture will be shown at each performance. The admission price is 25 cents each.

#### CHRISTIAN-McNUTT

In the Church-in-the-Gardens, on the evening of Nov. 24, Miss Eugenia, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Christian, was married to Mr. John Davis McNutt, Dr. Edgar W. Work, of New York City, officiating. The church was decorated in chrysanthemums and autumn leaves. Mrs. Alexander Greene was the soloist and Mrs. George LeBlanc, the organist. Mrs. C. Siebecker, Miss Lorita Christian, Mrs. P. L. Siverd and Mrs. H. N. Silleck, in the wedding party were dressed in orange and yellow georgette while the bride's gown was white satin. After a wedding journey, Mr. and Mrs. McNutt will be at home in Jamaica.

#### OVER THE TOP

The third roll call of the American Red Cross closed Tuesday, Nov. 18, the quota of Forest Hills being \$574.00. The Masons contributed \$25 beside a membership for each Mason and \$666 was collected in all. The work of the Scouts was efficient and accurate and a large committee of ladies gave unstinted and whole-hearted work to make this drive a success. Mrs. C. W. Johnson was the chairman.

## Recreation

The Playground has had a splendid fall season with a daily average attendance of 100 girls and boys. Soccer and hockey have been the two most popular games for the boys, and tether ball for the girls. Frank McGirr's basketball team was an even match for Bob Millen's team and on last week Tuesday a well-played game took place, with Bobbie Millen's team in the advance, 8-6. They hope to carry on the basketball work at the Seminole Avenue Club throughout the winter.

The Playground is now closed for the winter months.

#### Gym Classes

The popular gymnasium classes of last winter are to be resumed the first week in December, the first one being on Tuesday afternoon, December 2, at 4 o'clock, for boys who are 8 to 14 years old. Register at the Seminole Club and learn a new game the first day.

On Thursday, at 4 o'clock, the girls from 8 to 14 years will meet at the Club for registration.

#### Swimming Class

December 6, Saturday, on the 9:59 train, all the girls who wish to take swimming lessons this winter are asked to go to the Y. W. C. A. with the class, Miss Fox in charge, to become enrolled as members and to pass the examination which allows them to swim whenever they so desire. The class will go to New York every Saturday morning and Miss Fox hopes that a large number will join. One dollar is the membership fee of the Y. W. C. A. and 25 cents is charged for each dip.

#### Girl Scouts

At the present time there are 31 Girl Scouts who have attended the meetings since the first of November and will become Registered Scouts when their first tests are passed, making them Tenderfoot Scouts. They meet every Friday evening at five o'clock, and are dismissed at six. Last Friday, November 21, they stayed until seven, having their supper in the Kindergarten room and Mrs. Tappan was their invited guest. Games were enjoyed after their little party and all had a good time. December 5 will be the day when tests are taken.

## MOTHERS' CLUB

At the meeting of the Mothers' Club on Nov. 17, Mrs. A. M. Gray spoke with understanding and appreciation of the subject of children's reading. She believes in encouraging in children a love for all books, for books furnish the background for all education.

On Dec. 15, at public school 101, at the meeting of the Mothers' Club, Arthur M. Wolfson, principal of the High School of Commerce of New York and a resident of Forest Hills, will speak on the subject, "The Parent, the Community, and the School in Relation to the Child."

## AN APPEAL FROM PALESTINE

The people of Palestine are in crying need of funds and clothing. The Anglo-American Society makes a strong statement of great distress in that country. Shoes and all kinds of clothing are wanted. Money is most acceptable. Miss Maude Wallace, 102 Ascan Avenue, will see that all kinds of contributions are promptly forwarded to the proper authorities.

## PERSONALS

Miss Winifred Christie, a noted pianist, is visiting Mrs. W. B. Davis, of Wendover Road.

Mrs. Martha M. Allen, of Beechnoll Road, has been attending the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union's "Victory" convention in St. Louis. She also attended the New York State W. C. T. U. convention where she gave an address upon "Drug Addiction."

When the 1,000 New York City High School boys and girls were entertained by the Prince of Wales on board the "Renown" on the afternoon of November 21, two residents of Forest Hills were among the chosen and fortunate ones: Helen E. Smart from Richmond Hill High School and Kimball Gray from Jamaica High School.

Dorothy Smith, of Continental Avenue, entertained forty young friends at a party on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 22.

## UNMUZZLED DOGS

The Taxpayers' Association and the Mothers' Club are starting an aggressive campaign against the dangerous nuisance, the unmuzzled dogs. The children of our village are constantly in grave danger from this peril and there is a determination to stamp out this nuisance here.



## THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



The Rev. F. Herbert Stead, brother of the late Wm. T. Stead, who went down with the "Titanic," will be the speaker tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Mr. Stead is head of the Browning Hall Settlement, London, has been prominent in social work in England for the past years, and has recently given special attention to the subject of Religion and the Labor Question.

A most helpful Thanksgiving service, in which St. Luke's Episcopal Church united with us, was held on Thursday morning. Dr. Charles E. Burton and Vicar R. S. Nichols conducted the service. The music, by Mrs. LeBlanc and Miss Gardiner, was most appropriate.

Mrs. Rowland H. Smith, superintendent of the Cradle Roll of the Sunday School, assisted by Mrs. S. E. Davenport, her co-worker, invited the mothers of the

Cradle Roll children to her home on Continental Avenue, on Monday afternoon last, to meet Mrs. Sherwood Eddy, who has recently returned from a trip to India and the Far East. It was an unusually successful meeting and Mrs. Eddy gave a most interesting talk on childhood.

The Christian Endeavor Bulletin is the latest effort of this energetic organization. It is well worth the attention of every member of the community.

The November meeting of the Women's Guild at the home of Mrs. John Elliott on Winter Street was well attended, and Mrs. Eddy's address was greatly enjoyed. Gifts were brought for the bazaar for the Congregational Home for the Aged, Brooklyn.

The December meeting (12th) will be at the home of Mrs. Henry Hirschberg, 108 Greenway North, with Mrs. Forry R. Getz, assistant hostess. It will be an all-day meeting, beginning at 10 o'clock in the morning. Work will be done for the Flushing Hospital. The women are also invited to bring gifts (eatables) for the Congregational Home for the Aged. Mrs. George Smart will address the meeting in the afternoon on the "Grace and Peace of Age." All women of the community are invited—and especially those who have come to the time of life when they ordinarily consider themselves "shut-ins." Missionary thank-offerings will be welcome.

## ST. LUKE'S

All Soul's Day, Nov. 2, was another memorable day at St. Luke's. At the 11 o'clock service, in the presence of Mr. and Miss Fryer, representing the family, the vicar blessed a handsome processional cross of polished brass, in dignified design, matching the altar cross given by Miss Nancy Robb. The oaken stick, carrying the cross, has burnished brass couplings with ferule and hooks to match; altogether a handsome example of the Gorham Co.'s work.

The annual call for volunteers for the special Christmas music is now made. The Midnight Service so wonderfully beautiful, interferes with services in no other church. The vicar will be happy to have all our singers help, and will be glad to advise them of times of rehearsal.

Sunday, Nov. 23, the vicar preached to a large congregation at Grace Church, Jamaica. The associate rector, Rev. Mr. Day, preached most acceptably at St. Luke's. Mr. Peter B. Olney, Jr., of Cedarhurst, one of the Diocesan "four-minute men," spoke finely on the nation-wide campaign. This is the great spiritual movement to arouse our people, throughout the country and jurisdiction of the Episcopalian Church. On Dec. 7th, our own volunteer committee will call among the parishioners to arouse their interest in St. Luke's and the church at large.

Our Bishop of Long Island has appointed Jan. 4, 1920, as the date of his visitation to administer the sacramental rite of confirmation.

The class for Juniors meets Thursdays at 4 P. M. (Thanksgiving excepted) at the chapel. An adult class will be arranged. Names should be sent at once to the vicar.

The Church School, under Mr. Kaulfuo, of the General Theological Seminary, has reached its largest attendance in our history. We have about 60 enrolled and greatly need two more teachers. A man is much desired for a small boys' class. Who will volunteer?

## THE INN



Mr. and Mrs. Fred. C. Thornley, of the Inn, announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Doris Thornley, to Theodore Hammond Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wyley Smith, of Atlanta, Ga., at a dinner given in the Sun Parlor of the Inn, on Saturday evening last. Mr. Smith had fourteen months' active service in France as an officer in the 82nd Division. Original toasts were read by Mr. Frederick Gunster of the Inn, and Miss Agnes Gray, a cousin

of Mr. Smith, as well as a response by Mr. Alexander Wyley Smith, father of the fortunate man, who was unable to attend the dinner due to pressing business in Atlanta.

Another feature of great interest was a formal luncheon and cards given on Tuesday last, also in the Sun Parlor, by Mrs. I. T. Shoemaker, who has been a guest of the Inn for the past several months, to many of her new acquaintances and friends. Prizes of taste and originality were given to each table and the affair was another success to the many previous ones held in the Sun Parlor of the Inn.

Miss Sally Pierce, of the Inn, entertained a little cousin over the last week-end, Miss Katherine Beeson, of Hamilton, Ohio, who is just finishing her course at the Ossining School for young ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hillman, of Forest Hills, have arrived at the Inn and are now settled in their apartment for the winter months.

Mrs. E. J. Nalle, of Austin, Texas, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. W. Gregory, of the Inn. Mr. Gregory is the former Attorney-General of the United States and has recently been made chairman of the New Industrial Commission created by President Wilson.

Mrs. M. J. Scanlon, mother of Mrs. George A. Easton, of the Inn, with her daughter, Miss Helen Scanlon, is spending Thanksgiving week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Easton.

## COMING EVENTS

Every Monday and Friday, from 3 to 5 P. M., the library is open in the Sales Office.

Every Thursday, 8 P. M.—Boy Scouts—Sales Office.

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

Tuesdays—4 P. M.—Boys' Gym Class, Seminole Club.

Thursdays—4 P. M.—Girls' Gym Class—Seminole Club.

Every Friday, 5 P. M.—Girl Scouts, Public School 3.

Every Saturday, Girls' Swimming Class—9.59 train for New York.

Every Saturday, 1.30 and 3.30 P. M.—Moving pictures—Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Dec. 1, 2 P. M.—Women's Club—The Inn.

Dec. 4, 8 P. M.—Men's Club.

Dec. 8, Monday, 2.30 P. M.—Philanthropic Chapter, Women's Club, 68 Greenway North.

Dec. 9, Tuesday, 2.30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 255 Greenway South.

Dec. 10—Evening theater party, Women's Club, 44th Street Theater.

Dec. 12, 10 A. M.—All-day meeting, Women's Guild, Church-in-the-Gardens, 108 Greenway North.

Dec. 15, 3 P. M.—Mothers' Club, Public School 101.

Dec. 19, 8 P. M.—Taxpayers' Association, Church-in-the-Gardens.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 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. Christian Endeavor Society—7:45 P. M. Cor. Ascan Avenue and Greenway North.

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.



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## CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Beautiful Custom to be Again Observed  
in Forest Hills Gardens.

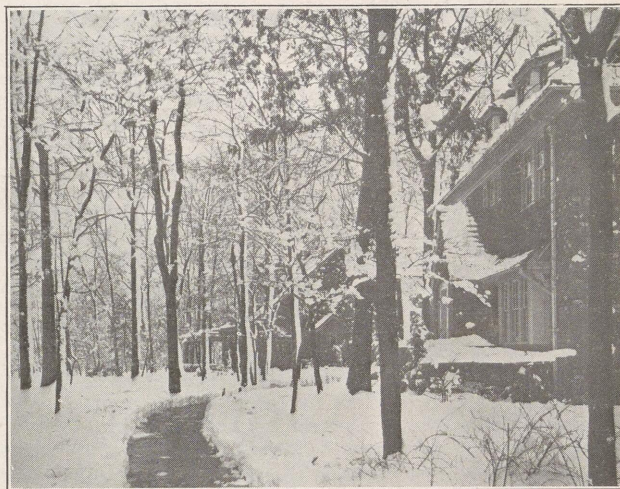
White Floats, Santa Claus and Presents for the  
Children will be Features—Bertram Bailey will be the  
Leader of the Chorus.

As the Christmas season approaches, the residents of the Gardens look forward to Christmas Eve when, as for many years past, the beautiful carols will be heard throughout the winding streets of the village. These will be sung by a chorus of men's voices, fifty or more, led by Bertram Bailey, a baritone, who has rendered distinctive service as a community sing organizer in welcoming the soldier boys home. As a part of the pageantry, so attractive in past years and greatly augmented this season, there will be white floats and the Christmas tree, the torch bearers and Santa Claus with his assistants distributing dozens of toys to the children in their homes. The pageant will be followed by the villagers to Station Square, where a charming finale, especially planned for this year, will take place, and where the men's chorus will be doubled by a women's chorus which for several years has added much to the attractiveness of Christmas Eve.

The initial plans for this year's singing festival were made at a meeting of the Christmas Eve Carol Club, held at the office of the Sage Foundation Homes Co. on December 5, when Chester I. Barnard was elected president. Rehearsals for the singers under the efficient leadership of Bertram Bailey will be held at the Sales office at 8 o'clock on the evenings of December 15, 19 and 21. Three other dates will be especially arranged for the women's chorus. All men and women who enjoy chorus singing, whether their voices are trained or not, are urged to give their names to L. P. McGahie, 9 Station Square, 6200 F. H. Men who can not sing, but who are willing to be a part of the pageant as torch bearers or as Santa Claus will kindly give their names to Mr. McGahie. All costumes will be furnished to those who serve.

A review of carol singing in the Gardens reveals the name of one efficient leader, Mrs. C. H. Scammell, who has served for several years in this feature of the life of the Gardens. This year Mrs. Scammell is unable physically to serve, the Carol Club is sorry to announce, but it feels fortunate to have secured Mr. Bailey as the leader. In 1915 there were twenty men in the chorus, called "wingless white angels" by the *Bulletin* of that year. One Santa Claus and the torch bearers were a part of the pageant. The following year, the chorus had increased to thirty voices and the pageant was more elaborate and more beautiful. In 1917 a chorus of women's voices joined with the men's voices at the Station Square, after the pageant had made a tour of the village and the Christmas picture of that year left an indelible impression on the minds of all. Last year, unfortunately, the rain made the singing out of doors impossible, but the carols were sung delightfully in the hall room of the Inn. The residents of the Gardens are looking forward to this Christmas Eve when the Carol Club will surpass all former records.

Caroling, that is, the combined exercise of dance and song, found its way from the pagan ritual into the Christian church and all through the middle ages it was connected with the great Christian festivals. In 1562 license was given to Thomas Tysdale in England to print "certayne goodly Carowles to be songe to the glory of God." So to this day men and boys known as "waits" sing carols on Christmas Eve in the streets of the villages of England. The delightful custom has been introduced into this country pretty



CHRISTMAS SCENE IN FOREST HILLS GARDENS

generally. Jacob Riis many years ago was the leader of a group of children who sang to "shut-ins" on Christmas Eve in Richmon Hill. In some of the middle western cities for many years carols have been sung and free will gifts made by the listeners to musical school settlements.

On Christmas Eve on every front door in the Gardens, will be hung the holly wreath, and from the windows of every home will shine the candles as a welcome to the carolers who will sing of "the peace and good will" of which the angel chorus sang so long ago, at the first Christmas time.

## JUDGE MOORE ADDRESSES THE MEN'S CLUB

Judge Charles F. Moore of Forest Hills Gardens was the speaker at the meeting of the Men's Club at the home of Henry Hirschberg, Thursday evening, Dec. 4. His subject was "Citizenship" and not only the close attention which he received and the hearty applause at the conclusion of the address, but—and this is much more important—the decision of about 30 of those present to join a political club and take a more active interest in politics—furnished evidence of the fact that the learned speaker had rendered a real service to the community.

Judge Moore, with eloquence, earnestness and wit discussed many phases of citizenship and spoke particularly of two: the neglect of political duties by men who imagine they have no time to give to their city, their state or their country and the violent abuse of public officials especially the President of the United States. He made an earnest plea for fairness of criticism and for the showing of respect for the great office of President. He said that at his home he has the American flag draped over the picture of President Wilson and in past years he had in that position the pictures of Taft, Roosevelt and Cleveland. "No matter who the next President may be," said Judge Moore, "his picture will be found in my home under the Stars and Stripes."

Following the address there was a free for all discussion of present day problems as suggested by the address of the evening.

Walter H. Foster, C. B. Nelcamp, C. G. Nichols and George W. Plitt were elected to membership.



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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 9 Station Square, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

### Christmas Eve in the Gardens

BY request of the Editor of the *Bulletin*, Lawrence F. Abbott, author of "Impressions of Theodore Roosevelt" and a resident of the Gardens, gives his impressions of the carols as he heard them first in 1916:

Three years ago this month, Mrs. Abbott and I with our two children moved into our new house on Greenway South. As is the case in all new houses, there were innumerable things to be done in the way of finishing it and putting it in order. The place was new and strange and we did not know our neighbors. But all the same, we meant to make our Christmas as joyous as it had been for many years in a community where we had many friends. On Christmas Eve, I was at work in my shirt-sleeves helping Mrs. Abbott put up and arrange the Christmas tree in our living room. The children had gone to bed full of excited anticipation and not at all disturbed by the newness of their surroundings,—for children, happily, adjust themselves more easily than "grown-ups" to changed and unwonted conditions of life.

Suddenly, about nine o'clock, I heard the faint sound of chimes in the distance. It was pleasant, I thought, to hear the church bells, for I was such a stranger that I did not even know then how the Forest Hills churches were equipped. But the chimes grew louder and nearer and looking out of the window I saw lights and heard voices singing Christmas carols. "The Waits!" I exclaimed to myself. "That delightful old English custom!"

We hurriedly called the children. They pressed their faces against the glass. The procession drew near. It turned the corner. Oh joy! It's going by our house! Wonder of wonders! It stops in front of the house! A tall white Santa Claus comes up the walk; enters the front door; steps into the living-room and hands to each of the astonished and overjoyed children a little gift.

And as he disappears the procession with its twinkling lights and happy laughter moves on and the chimes and carols grow fainter and fainter on the crisp and wintry air. It was more affecting and cheering and warming than I can tell you. The children never ceased to talk about it. Never were strangers so delightfully welcomed to a new home.

Last year when the custom was interrupted by a very un-Christmasy rain, the disappointment in our household was great and the children said over and over again that it did not really seem like Christmas with no procession of star-like lights and chimes and carols. I hope this pleasant custom will long continue to be a feature of the community life of Forest Hills Gardens.

Sincerely yours

Lawrence F. Abbott.

### CHRISTMAS GIVING

*It is not the weight of jewel or plate*

*Or the fondle of silk or fur,*

*It is the spirit in which the gift is rich*

*As those of the wise ones were:*

*And we are not told whose gift was gold*

*Or whose was the gift of myrrh.*

*Edmond Vance Cook.*

### WOMEN'S CLUB

The Dec. meeting of the Women's Club of Forest Hills showed that organization to be in a thriving condition. The music chapter is planning to study the modern composers, beginning with Burley at the meeting of the chapter at the home of Mrs. E. H. Moir, 141 Jewell Street, on the afternoon of Dec. 26, at 2:30 o'clock. All women interested in this department should communicate with Mrs. E. B. Wilson, the chairman. Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh, reported the work of the philanthropic chapter which has done so much for Flushing hospital and is now arranging to help Queensborough hospital at Jamaica also. Fruits, jellies, toys, etc. are wanted before Christmas for this institution. All donations for this purpose should be sent to the home of Mrs. Marsh, 68 Greenway North. One dollar a month makes a woman a contributing member of this busy chapter.

Miss Helen V. Boswell reviewed the current events. Mrs. C. B. Nelcamp, a new member, gave an inspiring talk on the United States flag and offered to teach club members to make a flag for the club. This will be done in January. A booklet on "Old Glory" which contains the rules against the misuse of the Flag, written by Mrs. Nelcamp, and printed in type designed by Fred W. Goudy was distributed to the members.

Hon. Newton W. Gilbert, Ex-Congressman and for many years acting Governor General of the Philippines, gave the principal address of the afternoon on "American Citizenship". He spoke of the dangers of Bolshevism more insidious and serious than war. "There is an equality before the law in our country which is secured for us by our constitution and which means that the majority must rule", he said. "Prices will be lowered only when all people in this country go to work" he continued. He favors deporting aliens and he is sure that the country will meet all problems with fidelity, labor and brains.

The theater party in the club entertainment course was attended by over 200 members and friends of the club at the 44th Street Theater, Wednesday evening, Dec. 10 when the play "Nothing but love" was enjoyed.

### TAXPAYERS' NOVEL PROGRAM

The Dec. meeting of the Taxpayers' Association will be a unique one because of the program which will be given. Two expert men from the physical training branch of the Police Department of New York will give a demonstration of how the policemen combat burglars, thugs and others of their kind. They will show how the private citizen may protect himself. These arrangements have been made through Chief Inspector Daly, of the Police Department of the city and Dr. Eugene Christian, of the Gardens, for several years chairman of the police committee of the association. Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts are especially invited to attend and all adult residents of the Gardens are urged to be present.

A similar entertainment was given a number of years ago and aroused such intense interest that it is still talked about by those who were so fortunate as to be present.

The new constitution for the reorganization of the Taxpayers' Association into a Community Council conforming to the Community Councils of Greater New York will come before the Association for final adoption.

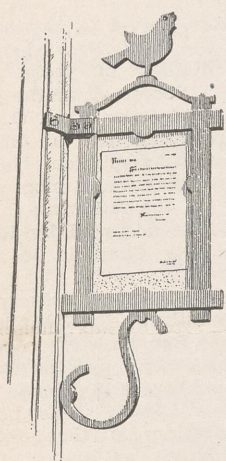
The meeting will be held at the Church-in-the-Gardens at 8 o'clock on Friday, Dec. 19.

### FOREST HILLS POST OF AMERICAN LEGION ORGANIZED

At a meeting held at the Sales Office on Nov. 19 steps were taken towards organizing Forest Hills Post No. 1 of the American Legion, and application was made for a Charter. As soon as this is received, another meeting will be called and organization completed. All men who were in the Service are urged to join our local Post, even if already enrolled in some other Post. Applications, with the requisite fee of \$2, may be sent to H. T. Warren, 75 Greenway South, the Temporary Chairman.



## AUDUBON NOTES



The Audubon Society has begun an intensive campaign of education designed to reach everybody in the Gardens from the youngest to the oldest, in order that certain fundamental facts in bird protection may be commonly known, and that every resident of the Gardens may learn the names and habits of our local birds.

To this end a practical circular headed "Eight Ways You Can Help The Birds To Come To Forest Hills" will be sent every householder, and it is urged that this circular be kept in some convenient place for reference. The Secretary—Miss M. E. Knevals, 9 Station Square—will be glad to furnish extra copies upon application.

The Society has recently given three large handsomely colored charts of well known birds to the public schools in Forest Hills. These charts will be exchanged between the two schools and used in connection with the bird prize contest now being carried on among the children of from 6 to 18 of Forest Hills north and south. The prizes offered are very appealing. For the youngsters 6-11 "The Burgess Bird Book For Children" with 58 colored illustrations will be given for the best 100 word description of his or her personal observation of some bird happening. The children 11-14 must write a 200-word description of the same sort and the prize for this group will be "Our Winter Birds" by Frank M. Chapman. The same rule of personal observation applies to the High School group of boys and girls from 14-18 but their stories must be of 300 words and the prize winner will receive Dr. Chapman's "The Travels Of Birds." All stories must be in by Dec. 19 and must be addressed to the Bulletin, 9 Station Square, Forest Hills. The prize stories will be printed in the *Bulletin*.

## MOTHERS' CLUB

No more important subject could be discussed by a group of women than the one to be considered by the Mothers' Club at public School 101, on the afternoon of Dec. 15, at 3 o'clock, when Arthur M. Wolfson, principal of the High School of Commerce of New York, will speak on the subject, "The Parent, the Community and the School in Relation to the Child." A large attendance is desired.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL NOTES

By a reorganization of classes it has been arranged to have a 2A class in public school 101. There were thirty 2A children in public school 3 who had to walk nearly a mile. The new arrangement makes it possible for these 2A children to attend the school nearer their homes.

## Honor Roll for November

(Perfect attendance, no tardiness, A in effort and deportment, B or A in proficiency.)

6B—Curtis Kloetzer, Edward Lindahl, John Millen, William Nichols, George Simons, Richard Van Loan, Norman Sewell, Dorothy Broadbent, Virginia Chesney, Affa Gray, Ruth Haas, Ellen Yepsen.

6A—Clay Cole, Helen Serena.

5B—Rita O'Shea.

5A—Frank Maginniss, Benjamin Kendrick, Betty Knight.

4B—Edward Schwiebert.

4A—Annette Easton.

3B—Harriette Barnard, Florine Osburg.

3A—Floyd McTyier, Barbara Miesel, Helen Miesel, Cleanthe Carr.

2B—Edward Boettiger, Robert Leighton, Walter Simons, Susan Daniels, Margaret Kendrick.

2A—Thomas Pedlar, Frank Roeschlaub, Edward Wagner, William Yepsen, Marie Attardo.

1B—Blanch Smith.

1A—Jack Goodfriend, Joseph Rowan, Daniel Meeman, Diantha Swazey, Nellie Hussey, Perry MacNeal, Edmund O'Shea, Albert Holland, Judith Mays.

## PERSONALS

The last issue of the *Bulletin* reported two High School pupils living in Forest Hills who were entertained on the Renown by the Prince of Wales on the afternoon of November 21. Three other names of pupils living in Forest Hills who attend Newtown High School were also in the party; these were John Guiler, Wallace Earl Drummond and Muriel Jean Drummond.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Meigs of 29 Slocum Crescent have announced the engagement of their eldest daughter, Miss Dorothy E. Meigs to Dr. Robert Stunzi of Zurich, Switzerland. Miss Meigs has only recently returned home after two years spent in government social service work and the announcement was made last Saturday at a reunion luncheon attended by several of her classmates at Vassar. The marriage will take place in February. The couple expect to make their home in Kobe, Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Holch, of Ascan Avenue, have returned from Denmark after a three months visit. They say food was more than plentiful and prices about twice what they are here and that auto service was unknown. When they requested air in tires at a garage at Copenhagen they were told it would take two hours as wheels must be removed. The help problem is beginning to be troublesome but they found many servants who had been from 30 to 45 years in their places.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Corscaden, of Underwood Road, announce the birth of a daughter, Julia, on Wednesday December 3.

## MRS. EDWIN BECKWITH.

The death occurred at Lilly Dale, N. Y. on Nov. 25, of Emma Beckwith, wife of Edwin Beckwith, who at 80 still survives severe wounds received in the Civil War. Mrs. Beckwith, first president of the famous Rainy Day Club, and fourth president of the Daughters of Ohio of New York, was an ardent suffragist, and as the first woman candidate for the mayoralty of Brooklyn, in 1886, polled many votes of the head of the Equal Rights ticket. She was closely associated in the Peace Circle with Clara Barton and Belva Lockwood. Mrs. Beckwith was also patentee of various devices used in the optical industry. Her daughter, Carmelita is the wife of Thomas Commerford Martin, advisory secretary, National Electric Light Association; and Bessie is the wife of James Francis Cooke, editor of the *Etude* of Philadelphia.

## BARRETT—KENNEDY

Announcement has been made of the marriage of the Theodore H. Barrett, second son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barrett of Puritan Avenue, to Miss Kathryn E. Kennedy of New Orleans, La.

The ceremony and reception took place on Nov. 29 at the home of the bride's friends at Washington, D. C.

## SWIMMING

On Saturday Dec. 6 there were eight girls who went into New York to join the swimming class and this week there will be eight more. The examinations were passed and some enjoyed the first swim (in a tank) of the winter season. This Saturday after the swim and luncheon the girls are going down to the battery to visit the Aquarium to see if they can learn how to swim better after having seen the very best swimmers—the fish. The following Saturday, Dec. 20 the afternoon will be free for Christmas shopping.

## GYMNASIUM

It has been found that there were so many little boys and girls who were barred from the older gym classes by the age limit set that it has been necessary to have a little class for these children on Tuesday at three in the Seminole Avenue Club house and another at four o'clock in the kindergarten on Fridays. Miss Fox will be very glad to answer any questions from parents about the little people joining these classes. Phone 6200, Ex. 11.



## THE INN



The Big Sisters of Queensborough held their annual masquerade at the Inn on Thanksgiving Eve, with the largest attendance and most gorgeous display of costumes ever seen in Forest Hills. By ten o'clock, when the grand march was held, the floor of the ballroom was crowded with guests in costumes representing almost every nationality and clime, mingled with a goodly showing of fiercest wild animals from the jungles of Africa and a huge camel direct from the Desert of Sahara. The barnyard, too, was there in the form of a large rooster, while surely the Shah of Persia could not produce more beautiful or gorgeously costumed ladies from his harem than those represented at our dance. Mrs. Wesley W. Crawford, as beautiful Prince Charming, won the first ladies' prize, with Mr. Karrick Collins, impersonating an old, fat Southern mammy, won the second prize for "ladies"; Owen Rossiter made a splendid Indian prince, while Worth Colwell, as a scarecrow, won first prize for the gentlemen. Between four and five hundred dollars was made, after all expenses were defrayed, and this amount, as usual, will go to the good work constantly being done for the poor of Queens by the women of Forest Hills who are active members of the Big Sisters of Queensborough. Mrs. Murray Brown is chairman of this ward for the Big Sisters, and Mrs. John M. Demarest represents this ward on the Executive Committee. Mrs. C. J. Hasselman of the Inn gave a delightful dinner party in the Sun Parlor on Saturday evening last in honor of Miss C. Rhodes of Berkeley, California, who has been visiting Mrs. Hasselman for the past week. The guests included; principally the members of Mrs. Hasselman's family, with a few intimate friends.

Miss Eleanor Foster, who is a concert pianist of wide reputation, has most kindly consented to play at our concert on Sunday evening next, and it is hoped that as many guests of the Gardens as possible will attend this concert, as we are indeed favored by the courtesy of such a well-known and accomplished musician. Miss Foster has recently become a resident of the Gardens, and is planning very active work in New York in concert and evening engagements this winter. Her program will include several numbers by Chopin, Liszt and MacDowell. Later in the season, Miss Foster is planning a concert at the Inn, when she will appear with her own trio and several very prominent professionals.

Alexander R. Howard of Concord, N. C., who was a former resident of the Inn until a few months ago, returned for the Thanksgiving holidays and was heartily welcomed by his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Jackson of Detroit have returned to the Inn after an absence of several months, and it is hoped will remain during the entire winter.

Mrs. R. R. Whitman had a week-end party for her daughter, Miss Mary Lee Whitman. Miss Dorothy Roob and Miss Mildred Kipp, who are school mates of Miss Whitman, were among the guests.

J. M. Marshall has recently returned after a two months' absence on business which took him through the south and southwest.

Miss Charlotte Read of Boston was a guest of Miss Davis of the Inn over the Thanksgiving holiday.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 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. Christian Endeavor Society—7:45 P. M. Cor. Ascan Avenue and Greenway North.  
 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 CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS



Tomorrow the Rev. David G. Latshaw, D.D., a resident of the Gardens, will be the speaker. For a number of years Dr. Latshaw has been a Secretary of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A., with special responsibilities for the direct religious work of the Association. He is a man of wide experience and a most acceptable speaker. On the following Sunday the pulpit will be occupied by Rev. C. B. Chapin, formerly Chaplain in the U. S. Army.

The annual "every-member-visitation"—started so successfully by Dr. Kent last year—will take place tomorrow afternoon, when sixteen teams of two persons each will call on the members and friends of the church in their homes. The purpose of this visitation is three-fold: to further the spiritual welfare of the church; to promote fellowship and sociability among its members, and to enlist adequate financial support for the current expenses and general benevolence of the church.

Although the committee on new pastor has heard some able prospects recently, it is not yet ready to make recommendations.

The absence of a pastor notwithstanding, the Sunday School is at present at high water mark in its history, and is rapidly outgrowing its quarters and its equipment. Last Sunday there were over eighty children in the primary department. Mrs. Latshaw and her helpers have their hands full. The older school, under Mr. Kaighn's able direction, is also adding daily to its numbers. On December 23, at 7.30 P. M., the school will have a Christmas entertainment with a tree, etc. The scholars will bring gifts of jellies, fruits and toys for the Queensborough hospital.

Juliet Luneborg, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Luneborg, of Greenway North, was recently christened by Dr. W. A. Rice at the church.

## AN APPEAL FOR PALESTINE

Miss Maude Wallace, 102 Ascan Avenue, will receive clothing for the people of Palestine, and not money, as announced in the last number of the Bulletin.

## COMING EVENTS

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

Every Monday and Friday, from 3 to 5 P. M., the library is open in the Sales Office.

Every Tuesday, 3 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, gym. class for girls and boys, ages 5 to 8 years.

Every Tuesday, 4 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, gym. class for girls and boys, aged 8 to 14 years.

Every Thursday, 4 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, girls' gym. class 8 to 12 years.

Every Thursday, 8 P. M.—Boy Scouts, Sales Office.

Every Friday, 4 P. M.—Public School 101, girls' and boys' gym. class, 5 to 8 years.

Every Friday, 5 P. M.—Girl Scouts, Public School 3.

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

Every Saturday—Girls' swimming class, 10.35 A. M. train for New York.

Every Saturday, 1:30 and 3:30 P. M.—Moving pictures, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Dec. 15, 3 P. M.—Mothers' Club, Public School 101.

Dec. 19, 8 P. M.—Taxpayers' Association, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Dec. 15, 19 and 21, 8 P. M.—Rehearsal for carols, Sales Office.

Dec. 24, Christmas Eve—Carol singing.

Jan. 13, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 45 Deepdene Road.



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## CHRISTMAS CHEER.

### Scene of Great Beauty at Station Square Was Climax of the Caroling.

Singing Throughout the Gardens and Giving of Gifts to Children Were Features of the Program—Mr. Renaud's Fine Symphony.

No word or photographic picture can adequately depict the bewitching charm and beauty of the Station Square on Christmas Eve, when in the falling snow the Carol Club gave its program of Christmas music. The singers stood on the steps of the entrance to the Station and the audience stood in the Square near the fountain and at the entrances of the Inn. The torches of the "waits" and the special illumination disclosed a scene of rare beauty, as the snow fell on the lacy outlines of the vines and shrubbery around the Station and upon the singers. The appearance and singing of the angel, (Mrs. W. W. Crawford), the center of the Christmas scene, evoked genuine and deserved applause, as the clear tones of her bell-like voice rang out on the still night air. The playing of the cornet quartette, the Park sisters, who have delighted audiences all over the world, was a distinct addition to the program, and the village is indebted to Mrs. Charles H. Scammell (one of the Park sisters) for this treat. The chorus singing, both that of men and women, was of a very high order, lead and trained, as it had been, by Bertram Bailey.

The program opened with the call from the trumpeters concealed on the top platform of the Station. Then followed "A Christmas Symphony," written by Ralph E. Renaud, who has pleased his neighbors on several occasions by allegories. The words of the Symphony follow:

#### THE ANGEL SPEAKS:

I am the CHRISTMAS ANGEL. I  
Summon you all to make reply  
To that soft influence which stirs  
The great heart of the universe.  
Come! Tell me what it is that sways  
The trees to lift their arms in praise,  
What moves the hurrying cloud to yield  
Her white flakes to the frozen field,  
What lures the stars to sing, what voice  
Impels the mountains to rejoice!  
Oh speak the word that God has given  
To link our lowly world with Heaven!

#### THE MEN ON THE RIGHT INTONE:

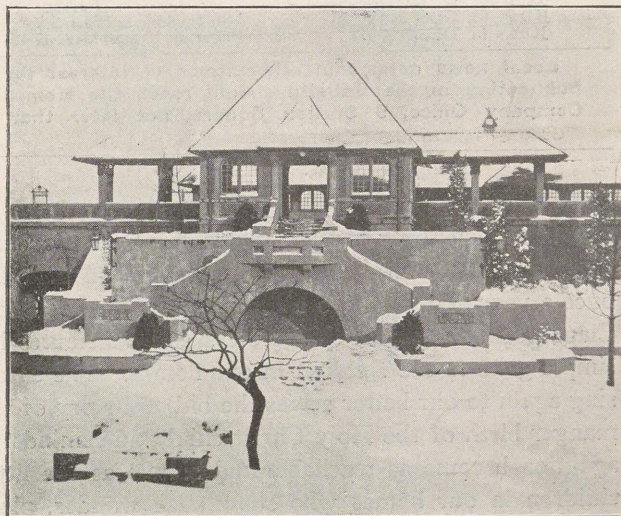
Peace on earth, good will toward men.

#### THE MEN ON THE LEFT INTONE:

Peace, sweet peace, has come again.

#### THE ANGEL SPEAKS:

The baleful cloud of death departs,  
The dove has nested in men's hearts.  
The rays that beamed on Bethlehem



THE STATION IN SNOW SEASON

Bathe us tonight, but most on them  
Who died that we might live, they rest,  
Straight from the blessed Savior's breast!  
For all who still in darkness grope  
Speak, oh speak, the word of hope!

#### THE MEN ON THE RIGHT INTONE:

Peace on earth, good will toward men.

#### THE MEN ON THE LEFT INTONE:

For Christ this day is born again.

#### THE ANGEL DESCENDS THE STEPS AND SPEAKS:

Come lift ye all your voices, praise  
The King of Peace, the day of days!

Next followed the singing of "Hark, What Mean Those Holy Voices," by Mrs. Crawford, and the men's chorus. Then appeared the cornet quartette who played "The Christmas Chimes." The white robed chorus of the Women's Club came forth and sang "Holy Night," after which the men's chorus sang "In Old Judea." The voices of men and women, the cornets and chimes all joined in "Ring Out Ye Bells" in a most effective manner. After this, while singing "The First Noel," all of the singers and torch bearers marched into the Inn dining room to enjoy the hospitality of the Inn.

The Christmas Eve celebration passed into history, the most successful and elaborate of any that have taken place in the Gardens, in fact, unique in the history of communities. The village is grateful to all who in any way helped to make the entertainment so impressively beautiful.

Beginning at 7:30 in the evening the pageant started its way through the winding streets. It consisted of torch bearers, followed by the decorated float with the men's chorus, after which came the thirty white-robed "waits" carrying lanterns, and then the sleigh of Santa Claus with the illuminated tree and packs of toys. Out on the night air rang the songs "Holy Night" and "The First Noel." Candles burned at the windows of the homes and fathers and mothers and little children pressed their faces against the window panes to hear the sweet old melodies and Santa Claus and his assistants gave simple gifts to happy children filled with awe and wonder.



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Local news notes and other items of interest for publication in the Bulletin should reach the Homes Company Office, 9 Station Square, not later than Tuesday morning of the week of publication.

### CHRISTMAS EVE.

IT is a good thing for the residents of the Gardens to hear the Carol Club sing the fine old melodies once a year and it is also a beneficial thing that Santa Claus goes along with the carolers and distributes his simple gifts to the children in our homes. The carols sing again to our better selves the old, old story of the manger birth of the Holy Christ-child and reminds us again to become as teachable and simple as the little children in our homes who show such wonder, pleasure and gratitude over the visit of Santa Claus on Christmas Eve.

The carol pageant passed up and down our winding streets culminating in a finale on Station Square this year, the beauty and harmony of which are unique in the history of communities. This charming Christmas Eve spectacle proves what can be done when a large number are united and working for one purpose.

The war brought us together and while it is nominally over, there is social and labor unrest and we need to turn our thoughts as a community to higher things. The Christmas Eve celebration helps us to do this and leaves us all more teachable and more patient as we try to do our part today. What a splendid thing if every community in our land might have a celebration like ours!

### THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

OUR little village starts the New Year with the Taxpayers' Association reorganized into a Community Council, which all adult residents are invited to join and of which representatives from various organizations will be a governing part. The Council ought to be a unifying and cementing agency for all undertakings of our community life and the New Year has an auspicious beginning because of this reorganization. The widespread formation of villages and towns into community councils with a spirit to learn and a will to solve the common problems in a democratic, American way would soon help to stamp out the Bolsheviki and others who have not learned that the United States is a democratic government where the majority of the people must rule. The common discussion of policies

and the mutual understanding of civic problems in such a body as a community council will help to make any locality a better and a more patriotic one. It is hoped that in our town, with all working together in the interest of and for the good of the whole, we may be an example to other places less fortunate. The person with genuine community interest is always the most helpful and the truest patriot. Let us have a 100 per cent of that kind!

### A. M. WOLFSON TALKS TO MOTHERS' CLUB

The principal of the High School of Commerce of Manhattan, A. M. Wolfson, a resident of the Gardens, spoke before the Mothers' Club, on Monday, Dec. 15, at 3 P. M. at Public School 101. "Passing resolutions here at your meetings may be a good thing" he said, "but it is much better to follow the resolutions with personal appeals to the board of education and the board of estimate." His subject was "The child, the parent, the community and the school." He spoke of the child as meeting the community, (1) in school, (2) on the playground, (3) and then later in society. "The relation between the school and the child is two-fold," the speaker continued, "You as a parent owe something to the school as well as what the school owes your child. You should insist on a proper curriculum and a fair amount of individual teaching for your children, always remembering the tremendous task which the board of education has in supplying the needs of 800,000 boys and girls in the city of New York. The parent must always do his part in three ways, (1) by giving sympathetic interest to the whole school question, (2) by intelligent supervision of your children's work, (3) by lending support when there is an effort made to better conditions, either of the school or in the hours or salaries for teachers." The speaker answered many questions at the close of his talk.

A business meeting preceded the program when reports were given by Mrs. W. G. Walker and Mrs. H. P. Daniels on the December meeting of the Queensborough League of Mothers' Clubs. A report was also given by Mrs. George A. Douglass, the president, on the work of a committee appointed by the president of the Taxpayers' Association, for the purpose of securing better and larger school accommodations for the children of the Gardens. A portable school at Flushing had been visited by the committee at the suggestion of George J. Ryan, member of the board of education.

### WOMEN'S CLUB ACTIVE.

On Monday afternoon, Jan. 5th, at two o'clock, at the regular monthly meeting of the Women's Club, at the Inn, Miss Suga Umezaki, a Japanese girl who is completing her American education in New York, will give a program of popular Japanese airs and a lecture on the customs and dress of the women of Japan. Miss Umezaki comes highly recommended and a large audience is expected.

The current readings chapter will meet at the home of Mrs. George Smart, 45 Deepdene Road, on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 13, at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. Smart will discuss the books of her friend Dorothy Canfield.

The third number of the evening entertainment course will be given on Wednesday evening, Jan. 14, at eight o'clock, in the Church-in-the-Gardens, when Dr. Frank Crane will be the speaker. A special musical program will be given but Dr. Crane's lecture will be the principal feature. Dr. Crane is read by ten million people every day because of the syndicates through which he furnishes little understandable philosophical essays of human nature. This lecture will be a treat for Forest Hills and the audience will be limited only by the capacity of the room. Single admission tickets may be secured at the door for \$1.25.



## THE COMMUNITY COUNCIL.

### Forest Hills Taxpayers Reorganized—Demonstration of Americanized Jiu Jitsu.

After ten years of service under the name of Forest Hills Taxpayers, that organization took an important step Friday night, Dec. 19, when it changed its name to the Community Council of Forest Hills and adopted a new constitution under which it is proposed to participate in the larger work of the borough and the city and be represented in the City Parliament and Community Councils of New York. The old name was a drawback because it gave many people who did not happen to be owners of real estate the impression that they were not expected to take part in its activities. Under the new name and larger plans, it is hoped that there will be a much larger active list of members. Every adult resident of Forest Hills or Forest Hills Gardens is potentially a member of the Community Council and every one who pays the annual dues of \$2 will be a member in good standing.

The Governing Board, consisting of officers and two others to be appointed by the president, will direct and carry out the policies of the council. An Advisory Board, to be made up of the official head and one other member of each of the civic organizations of the community, will recommend to the president of the Community Council the establishment and personnel of necessary committees to be appointed by him. Regular meetings will be on the third Friday of every month except July and August.

George B. Everitt was elected treasurer to take the place of Ferd Neumer, who declined to serve.

After the business of the evening had been disposed of, President Smart introduced Sergeants T. M. Shaw and Cantor and Patrolman Brillia, who gave a most interesting and at times exciting demonstration of how Americanized jiu jitsu, first introduced in New York by Theodore Roosevelt when he was police commissioner, is taught in the School of Instruction of the police department and practiced by the policemen. Sergeant Shaw fully explained the methods of policemen and also indicated how citizens can learn to protect themselves. His skill and that of Sergeant Cantor and Patrolman Brillia were greatly admired and frequently applauded. Among the most enthusiastic people in the audience were a delegation of Boy Scouts.

After the demonstration, many questions were asked Sergeant Shaw and answered and there was a discussion of burglaries and other subjects relating to public safety.

### FIGHTING TUBERCULOSIS.

The sale of Christmas stamps and health bonds, for the purpose of fighting tuberculosis conducted by the American Red Cross in a nation-wide campaign, closed a few days ago. Mrs. George J. Simons, chairman for Forest Hills, reports that \$360 were raised here. In January a meeting will be held in Long Island City to plan to fight the disease in Queens.

### GYM CLASSES.

Many questions have reached the playleader concerning the gym classes for the different ages of children. The Coming Events column has given in each issue of the *Bulletin* the exact time and place for each class. The class for very little people, girls and boys, meets at the club house on Seminole Avenue on Tuesday at three o'clock and at the kindergarten at four o'clock on Friday. The boys' class meets at the club house on Tuesday at four and the girls on Thursday at the same place at four o'clock.

The classes will have a recess until school opens Jan. 5. Boys and girls, join the classes then!

### GIRL SCOUTS' PHILANTHROPY.

The Girl Scouts prepared a dinner and donated it at Christmas time to a family in Corona through the home service section of the American Red Cross. The family consists of five children and the father, so if the Girl Scouts can become foster mothers, 1920 will be a good year for this family at Corona.

## PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Fruits, vegetables, canned and boxed foods were brought in generous quantities by the pupils of public schools 3 and 101, for the Ridgewood Day Nursery, at Thanksgiving. The gifts were conveyed to the Nursery through the kindness of Mrs. J. F. Williams, of Fife street, who offered her car and her services.

As a Christmas offering, the pupils of public school 3 prepared stockings for the children of the Ridgewood Day Nursery. Mrs. Runnion, of the Gardens Apartments, very kindly carried them to the Nursery in her car. The pupils of public school 101 sent apples, oranges and other things to the Washington Heights Day Nursery. The delivery of the offering in this case was done through the kindness of Mrs. J. D. Dailey, of Washington Heights.

A short Christmas program in which the children of all grades took part was given in the kindergarten room of public school 101 on the morning of Dec. 24. It consisted of recitations, piano solos and songs.

The morning session of the kindergarten class of public school 101 gave their Christmas tree party on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 11 A. M. Twenty-one mothers were present and seemed to enjoy the party almost as much as the children themselves.

The afternoon session of the kindergarten class gave their party at 2 o'clock on the same day, mothers and children all having a jolly time.

## THE GARDENS PLAYERS.

The Gardens Players have put into rehearsal their second bill of four short plays to be presented some time in February. Of local interest is the fact that one of the plays is again by a Forest Hills writer. Another play has been supplied by Professor George P. Baker of the "47 Workshop" at Harvard University; a third has been supplied by a well-known novelist and playwright of New York, while the fourth is a play that a few seasons ago won the admiration of particular Broadway theatre-goers for its brilliance.

The Players recently entertained informally for members only by a reading of Oscar Wilde's "The Importance of Being Ernest."

### A TRICYCLE NEEDED.

Mrs. Murray Brown, Greenway North and Slocum Crescent, chairman of this ward for the Big Sisters of Queensborough, knows of a little six-year-old girl who would be much benefited by the use of a tricycle. The child was stricken with infantile paralysis a few years ago and her limbs are still weak from the disease. The Big Sisters have seen to it that all possible medical care has been given. Anyone who will donate a tricycle which is no longer in use will please communicate with Mrs. Brown.

### PERSONALS.

Mrs. Lester G. Hornby, wife of the artist, of Boston, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Anna C. Boyd, of Greenway Terrace.

Mrs. J. S. Maxwell, of 229 Greenway South, entertained eighteen little friends of her daughter, Jane, at a masquerade party on the evening of Dec. 4, when pictures were taken of the little girls and boys in costume.

Helena Ketcham, of Greenway North, is home for the holidays from Bradford Academy.

Malcolm and Myron Burton, of Rockrose Place, are home for two weeks from Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Buckley and daughter, Esther, of Markwood Road, have gone to California for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. I. K. Ward and daughter, Helen, of Borage Place, are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives in Baltimore.

Miss Cecily Kershaw entertained about thirty little friends at the motion picture entertainment in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 13.



## THE INN.



The New York Association for the Blind held its third annual Bazaar and sale at the Inn on Dec. 17, and realized the sum of very nearly \$300 in one day's exhibit. The sale was held in the Sun Parlor, the many beautiful and practical articles being artistically shown, while one of the blind workers demonstrated his art on wicker trays, baskets, etc., which were sold almost before completion. Tea was served to those attending during the afternoon and much interest taken during the evening by the gentlemen of the Inn and Gardens who did much to promote the income of the sale.

Many guests have left the Inn over the holiday season to be with relatives and friends, though on the other hand, the Inn is being favored with many visitors to those here, among them being Dr. and Mrs. Linwood M. Kelley of South Orange, who are visiting Mrs. Kelley's mother, Mrs. Lytle J. Hunter, of the Inn. Miss Carol Smith is also the guest of Mrs. Hunter, and will remain during her vacation from the Glen Eden School at Stamford. Miss Mary Lee Whitman is also spending her school holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell R. Whitman, as is also Jerome Watrous, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Watrous, of the Inn. Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Henderson also have their two sons, Don and Wilfred, with them for the holiday season. James J. Pershing, Jr., has joined his parents in Chicago, where they will spend the holidays and return after the New Year.

Mrs. Edward Rising and her daughter Margaret, have returned to the Inn, having closed their home in Saugerties, New York, for the winter months.

T. A. Clarke, of Buffalo, New York, recently spent several days visiting his mother, Mrs. J. C. Clarke, of the Inn.

Mr. Lytle J. Hunter returned this week from a duck shooting trip on the St. Charles River, Florida.

Mrs. Walter Schmidt, with her little son, Malcolm, of Los Angeles, is spending a number of weeks at the Inn, where she will be joined by her husband, who is at present on an extensive business trip.

Mr. Francis J. Nash, of the Inn, is spending the holidays with his parents in Waukegan, Michigan.

Mr. F. Stocksdales, of Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, is among the recent arrivals at the Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Richards, formerly of Chicago, are among the new arrivals at the Inn.

## COMING EVENTS

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

Every Monday and Friday, from 3 to 5 P. M., the library is open in the Sales Office.

Every Tuesday, 3 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, gym. class for girls and boys, aged 5 to 8 years.

Every Tuesday, 4 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, gym. class for boys, aged 8 to 14 years.

Every Thursday, 4 P. M.—Seminole Avenue Club, girls' gym. class 8 to 12 years.

Every Thursday, 8 P. M.—Boy Scouts, Sales Office.

Every Friday, 4 P. M.—Public School 101, girls' and boys' gym. class, 5 to 8 years.

Every Friday, 5 P. M.—Girl Scouts, Public School 3.

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

Every Saturday—Girls' swimming class, 10.35 A. M. train for New York.

Every Saturday, 1:30 and 3:30 P. M.—Moving pictures, Social Room, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Jan. 5, 2 P. M.—Women's Club meeting, Inn.

Jan. 13, 2:30 P. M.—Current Readings Chapter, Women's Club, 45 Deepdene Road.

Jan. 14, 8 P. M.—Dr. Frank Crane, Women's Club entertainment course, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Jan. 17, 8 P. M.—Community Council, Church-in-the-Gardens.

Jan. 19, 3 P. M.—Mothers' Club, Public School 3.

**LOST**—Tuesday A. M., between shoe shop and Gardens Apartments, black silk hand bag with small sum of money and gold vanity. Finder return to Mrs. Farrand, Gardens Apartments. Reward.

## THE CHURCH-IN-THE-GARDENS.



The Rev. W. E. Griffis, D. D., will be the speaker at the eleven o'clock service tomorrow. Dr. Griffis' work as preacher, educator and author has attracted wide attention. He has been preacher at all the leading eastern universities and has written books on Japan, Korea, Belgium and Holland. Forest Hills Gardens residents ought to turn out en masse to hear him.

At a recent communion service D. G. Clark, Deepdene Road, was received into membership of the church. A hearty welcome awaits others who may wish to make this their church home.

At the conclusion of the Every-Member-Visitation on Dec. 14, twenty-six of the visitors met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Gorton Marsh to report on the afternoon's work. The reports were most encouraging as indicating a growing interest throughout the community in the affairs of the church.

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Last Sunday's Christmas service with the special music was much enjoyed by a large congregation. Mrs. George Le Blanc, organist and director of music, was ably assisted by Miss Edna Westerhiefer, violinist; Mr. Gunster, tenor soloist; Miss Elise Gardner, the regular church soprano; Mrs. C. H. W. Hasselriis, contralto, and Mr. F. S. Roeschlaub, basso.

On the evening of Dec. 23 Santa Claus visited the Sunday School and gave a box of candy to every boy and girl. A tree, songs and recitations by cunning little folks and the singing of carols made it a very happy occasion. Many toys, fruits, jellies, etc., were brought by the scholars for the Queensborough Hospital at Jamaica.

## MOTION PICTURES.

"Treasure Island," "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," and other good reels have been shown at the Saturday afternoon performances given in the social room of the Church-in-the-Gardens, for the benefit of the fund for the new parish-community house. The pictures are shown every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 and 3:30. Admission is twenty-five cents.

## CHURCH SERVICES

Roman Catholic—Sunday mornings at 8 and 10 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. Christian Endeavor Society—7:45 P. M. Cor. Ascan Avenue and Greenway North.

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.

## ELSBETH R. ERWIN.

The death of little Betty, whose real name was Elsbeth R. Erwin, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Erwin, Park End Place, on Dec. 14, after a severe illness, was a most pathetic thing. Services were conducted at the home at two o'clock on the afternoon of Dec. 16 by Rev. T. Williams of Jamaica, and the burial was at Flushing. The sympathy of the community is extended to the parents because of the death of this little promising eleven-year-old daughter. The Erwin family moved here recently from Milwaukee.